

Press Release

UK's biggest infection-related conference will be held in SAGE Gateshead, Newcastle next month

From the 13th to 15th of November 2018, the Federation of Infection Societies (FIS) conference will be held at the Sage Gateshead, Newcastle.

This is the largest infection-related conference in the UK and is targeted at people working and studying in the areas of medicine, healthcare and science.

Hosted this year by the British Infection Association (BIA) and the British HIV Association (BHIVA), this highly collaborative event of all the leading Infection Societies in the UK, brings together professionals and academics to discuss state of the art technology and approaches in infectious disease treatment.

It is hoped that through the discussions held developments in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases can be communicated to people in the field who can make a real difference.

The FIS 2018 conference will cover a range of topics;

Day one on Tuesday 13th November, two very topical and important areas are presented

- HIV – Management of HIV and new horizons, metabolic disease and HIV
- Travel and tropical medicine - Yellow fever and Monkeypox.

Throughout day two on Wednesday 14th November experts will discuss issues in antibiotic resistance surveillance supported by British Society for Antimicrobial and Chemotherapy (BSAC), antibiotic stewardship, bone and joint infection, clostridia septic shock. A key note lecture on *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteraemia delivered by Prof Richard Proctor, Wisconsin-Madison, USA.

The sessions on Thursday 15th November include talks on *C. Difficile*, MRSA, Outbreak Control with Lassa fever and Rohingya diphtheria highlighted. A key note presentation by Prof Amy Mathers, Virginia, USA gives insight in techniques from America on "Control of CPE". Rounding off the conference will be an interesting session on Zoonosis from the Scottish Microbiology Association.

A full outline of the conference programme can be found on the FIS website at www.fis2018.co.uk

A trade exhibition will also be held over the three days, allowing delegates to speak to representatives of organisations that are producing state of the art equipment and technology to help combat diseases worldwide.

Online registration for the conference is open until Sunday 11th November 2018 (after this date registration will be on-site only) and there are full tickets and single day passes still available. Tickets can be purchased online at www.fis2018.co.uk

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