



ISACP2024
XXI International Society
for Animal Clinical Pathology Congress
14 - 18 May 2024
Heraklion, Crete, Greece
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Dear participants,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the **XXI International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology Congress**, we are pleased to hereby welcome you to Heraklion, Crete, Greece. Below you can find some practical information that will facilitate your stay!

ABOUT THE CONGRESS

Dates: 14-18 May 2023

Venue: Galaxy Hotel Iraklio

Address: 75 Dimokratias Av., 71306, Heraklion, Crete, Greece

Website: <https://www.galaxy-hotel.com/>

Map: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/>

Programme at a glance

Tue 14 May 2024	Arrivals Pre-Congress Day Registration Welcome Reception
Wed 15 May 2024	Full Day Congress Free Evening
Thu 16 May 2024	Half Day Congress Half Day Excursion to Archanes – Knossos Free Evening
Fri 17 May 2024	Full Day Congress Congress Dinner
Sat 18 May 2024	Half Day Congress & Closing Departures or Extensions

Secretariat and Information Desk during the Congress

Tue 14 May 2024	08.30-18.00
Wed 15 May 2024	08.30-16.00
Thu 16 May 2024	08.30-13.00
Fri 17 May 2024	08.30-18.00
Sat 18 May 2024	08.30-11.00

CONGRESS BADGE

Upon your registration at the secretariat desk you will your received your personal name badge. It is very important that you wear it when attending congress sessions social events or excursions.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

Will be sent by e-mail to all delegates and presenters right after the Congress.

CONGRESS MOBILE APPLICATION

Remember to download the congress application, following the guidelines sent to you by e-mail. For any assistance don't hesitate to contact the congress secretariat.

ARRIVING AT HERAKLION

By plane: Nikos Kazantzakis International Airport is located in the central north of Crete, 4.5 km from Heraklion town. This is a busy international airport receiving many flights from Athens and European cities every day.

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AIRPORT WELCOME DESK FOR PREBOOKED TRANSFERS

If you have pre-booked transportation from the airport through the conference registration system, please go to desk #22 (label Union) located in the outdoor space as you exit the arrivals hall.

By ferry: The duration of the ferry trip from Piraeus Port of Athens to Heraklion is about 9 hr on average. Information on tickets here: <https://www.piraeus.org/>

By bus: Buses arrive every 10 minutes and are headed from the airport to Heraklion KTEL terminal in the city of Heraklion. Bus service operates from 06:00 a.m. to 23:00 p.m. The estimated time of a route is about 20 min. Further information available here: <https://astiko-irakleiou.gr/>

By taxi/car: The taxi stand is outside the arrivals' hall. The ride to the city centre takes approximately 10-15 minutes and costs 22-25€. Car rental desks are inside the airport terminal.

HOW TO GET TO THE CONGRESS VENUE

The Galaxy Hotel Iraklio is within walking distance (15 minutes) from the city centre, shopping stores, and historical landmarks. The Heraklion International Airport is situated 5 kilometers away.

Arriving by bus: The Hotel is in 30 meters distance from the bus stop "Leoforos Dimocratias 79". Information on bus lines and stops available here: <https://astiko-irakleiou.gr/>

Taxi Service: Taxi companies operate 24-hour call centers, ready to receive your order or make an advance booking for you. Luxury – VIP taxis are also available. As a rough guide a taxi within the city will cost approximately 5 Euros. A double fare is applicable between midnight and 05:00 am.

PRE-CONGRESS EVENT

The ISACP2024 Local Organizing Committee, in collaboration with the Hellenic Veterinary Association (H.V.A) is organizing the Pre-Congress Event, entitled "Clinical Pathology in Practice." This event will be held at the ISACP2024 Congress Plenary Hall "Plaza" and will be conducted primarily in Greek.

SOCIAL EVENTS & EXCURSIONS

Social Events

Welcome Reception - included in the registration fee

Tuesday 14 May 2024

Time: 18.00-19.00

Venue: Galaxy Hotel Iraklio

Congress Dinner - included in the registration fee

Friday 17 May 2024

Time: 20.00-22.00

Busses will depart from the Congress Venue at 19:30

Venue: Arolithos Traditional Cretan Village

Half-Day Excursion Archanes-Knossos - included in the registration fee

Thursday 16 May 2024

Time: 13.00-18.00



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Post Congress Excursion - <https://isacp2024.org/excursions/>

1-Day Tour Rethymno- Holy Monastery of Arkadi | Sunday 19/05/2024 | 09.00-18.00

Cost: 85€ p.p. (The fee includes taxes, transfers, licensed guide services, lunch with drinks)

*Pre-registration is required. Departure from the Congress Venue. Please be there **10min before departure time.***

MOVING AROUND IN HERAKLION

Heraklion is the largest city on the island of Crete and is also its capital. It is close to Knossos, the former Minoan city, on the island's north coast along the Sea of Crete. Heraklion can also be located east of Rethymno and west of Lasithi Prefecture and makes up the middle region of Crete.

Places to eat and drink in Heraklion are found all around the prefecture, both in tourist resorts and in secluded villages. Heraklion Town is surely the place with most restaurants, cafes, bars, and clubs in the region. Many clubs are also found in the tourist places of Malia, Stalis, and Hersonissos, while the other tourist regions are more relaxing. Agia Pelagia, Matala, Lentas and other tourist places of Heraklion have more family atmosphere.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Language: Greek is the official language, but English is widely spoken as well as German and French. The official language of the Conference is English.

Internet Facilities: WI-FI connection is provided at the Congress premises.

Banks are open Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 14:00. All banks are closed on weekends and on public holidays. There are banks, ATMs and exchange offices throughout the city.

Weather in May & Clothing Recommendations: Located on the coast of the Greek island of Crete, Heraklion is a vibrant place with a Mediterranean climate, bringing hot summers and mild winters to the city. Things are getting hotter in May as summer gets closer, and you'll have lots of sunshine and hardly any rain. You'll get the benefit of breezes on the coast, although the Sahara Desert can push temperatures up when it sends hot winds over to Crete. The average high temperature in Crete during May is 24°C so pack a good selection of beach wear. You'll want something warmer for the evenings though, as temperatures averagely cool to 14°C at night. The average sea temperature's 19°C while humidity's low.

May has long sunny days for you to spend at the beach or by the pool, as you can look forward to 14 hours of daylight with ten hours of sunshine each day. The UV index will be very high so be careful in the sun, which sets just after 8pm at the beginning of the month and gradually gets later.

Day duration: In May the sun rises at 06:15 and sets at 20:16.

Shopping: With Heraklion being the largest urban area on the island of Crete the city offers the most comprehensive range of options for hitting the shops. If you want to get into the city have and have a browse for gifts or clothes or just be social and have a spot of lunch along the way the very centre of the city is where to go. Unless you go early parking will become a challenge as more of the centre has now been pedestrianized (making the centre shopping experience much better) but also pushing the cars parking to visit the centre further out of town.

Power supply: In Greece the power plugs and sockets are of type C which also works with plug E and plug F and F which also works with plug C and plug E. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.

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EMERGENCY PHONES

112: Emergency phone

199: Fire service

166: Ambulance

100: Police

INFORMATION – CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

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We hope that you will have a pleasant stay in Heraklion and an interesting and fruitful Congress.

We remain at your disposal,

The **ARTION** team



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