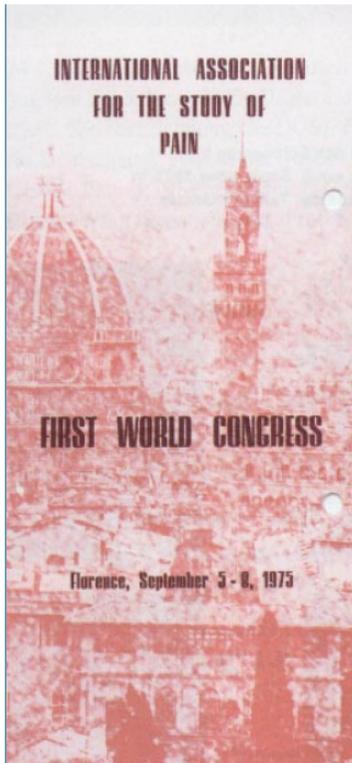


1975-2015 IASP 40 YEARS LATER

Palagio di Parte Guelfa - *Piazza di Parte Guelfa*
Florence, 5th December
9.00-13.00
FREE REGISTRATION



The first poster of the First World Congress of IASP

The FIRST WORLD CONGRESS ON PAIN, sponsored by the International Association for the Study of Pain, founded in Seattle on 1973, was held in Firenze on September 5-8, 1975. The Chairman of the Local Committee was Paolo Procacci, a well known international scientist of the "Florence Pain School". This Congress represented the largest and most extensive multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary meeting of professional people (more than 1100 participants representing 75 different disciplines from 35 countries) who had special interest and expertise in pain research and pain therapy that had ever been assembled anywhere.

This meeting laid the basis for changing the approach to pain research and treatment by medical practitioners and specialists, by international health agencies and by media. Today pain, especially chronic pain, is not anymore a simple symptom but a disease that should be treated with great attention according to a holistic approach that takes into account the individual. At the end of the meeting all the participants will have the opportunity to celebrate the first IASP meeting and their personal experience and will be awarded with a special IASP reward.

9.30 - *Greetings from the Authorities*

Sara Funaro (Assessor Welfare and Health - Town of Florence)

Chairs: Anna Maria Aloisi, Giancarlo Pepeu

09.50 - **The first World Congress on Pain, Florence , September 5-8, 1975**

Giancarlo Carli

10.10 - **Olds and News on Pain**

Manfred Zimmermann

10.30 - **The impact of IASP on Science and Medicine**

Giustino Varrassi

10.50 - **Forty years of IASP in Italy and the rest of Europe**

Fernando Cervero

11.30 - **The Tuscan Experience in IASP**

Leads: Mario Pappagallo

Audience Contributions

12.30 - Conclusions



Welcome Reception for the First World Congress on Pain, held at the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, Italy.
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