

## Press Release: For Immediate Release

## Tokyo to Host the 18th World Congress for Esophageal Diseases

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The Tokyo Convention & Visitors Bureau (TCVB) is delighted to announce that Tokyo has placed the winning bid to host the 18th World Congress for Esophageal Diseases at the Keio Plaza Hotel on September 26 – 28, 2022.

Looking back in history, the International Society for Diseases of the Esophagus (ISDE)\* was founded by Dr. Kōmei Nakayama in 1979, and the first ISDE World Congress was held in Tokyo in 1980. Returning the ISDE World Congress to Tokyo in 2022, will mark a significant milestone for Asia and will provide numerous benefits for upand-coming esophageal professionals in the region.

ISDE 2022 World Congress is expected to have 1,100 delegates from over 40 countries. A large number of delegates from Japan and the neighboring countries are expected. When ISDE 2010 World Congress was held in Kagoshima, more than 800 delegates attended, ranking 2nd in the ISDE record at that time.

Also ISDE and the Japan Esophageal Society (JES) have agreed to co-host ISDE 2022 World Congress and the JES Annual Meeting. The JES currently has over 2,800 members, of which about 1,200 usually attend the Annual Meeting. ISDE 2022 World Congress will be a perfect opportunity for medical professionals in Japan to study the latest trend in the field as well as communicate with professionals from around the world.

## \*About the International Society for Diseases of the Esophagus (ISDE)

The International Society for Diseases of the Esophagus (ISDE) is an international, multispecialty society devoted to the study of the esophagus in disease and in health that was founded in 1979.

The aims of the ISDE are to promote the exchange of scientific and medical knowledge among specialists in the field, to maintain interchange with organizations and industries, and to encourage basic and clinical research in fields related to the esophagus. In order to promote the professional and educational development of individuals interested in the esophagus, the ISDE sponsors its own journal, international congresses, and other educational programs.

## About the Business Events Team at the Tokyo Convention & Visitors Bureau

The Business Events Team at the Tokyo Convention & Visitors Bureau (TCVB) serves as a one-stop shop for meeting/event planners and organizers seeking for assistance in successfully bidding to host international business events in Tokyo - the 5th ranked convention city in the world according to the UIA International Meetings Statistics Report.

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