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Dear Dr Hubert Hartl,

It is my pleasure to be in contact with you once again. As you know, this year the World Federation of Hemophilia's XXVI International Congress will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from October 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. It is the largest international gathering of the global hemophilia community. The WFH would like you to join us at this important event to share your ideas and experiences. Each delegate shares the common goal of improving the treatment and care of hemophilia worldwide. And remember, you have an important voice at the WFH.

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Our registrations, to date, indicate that we have 410 delegates from the European region. This number is very low considering over 1,000 people from all over the world have already registered. The WFH anticipates receiving more attendees from your area and with your help we can achieve this goal.

Tour East has become our official travel company. They provide inexpensive tickets (consolidated fares) and may be able to provide you with tickets for a better price than you get locally. Tour East's website, is: [www.toureast.com](http://www.toureast.com). Click on airfare info, complete the online request form and they will provide you with an estimated fare within 24 – 48 hours.

Thailand draws more visitors than any other country in Southeast Asia with its irresistible combination of breathtaking natural beauty, inspiring temples, renowned hospitality, robust cuisine and ruins of fabulous ancient kingdoms.

Bangkok, Southeast Asia's most thriving commercial center, reflects pace, excitement and energy that is characteristic of most urban centers around the world. It is most famous for its Buddhist temples, palaces, and canals, which have earned Bangkok the title " Venice of the East". Thailand has so much to offer, from the affordable shopping areas to the beautiful, idyllic beaches of the south.

There is special warmth behind the welcoming smiles that greet visitors to Thailand. It comes from centuries of fostering a caring attitude towards each and every guest. This is the legendary Thai hospitality where no effort is spared in making people feel truly welcomed.

The WFH is aware that organizations may still be interested in sponsoring your expenses in order for you to attend the congress. If you register now and are sponsored at a later date, the WFH will reimburse you and honor your grant.

We are less than six months to the congress and hotel space is limited. If you require assistance in making your hotel reservation, please contact me at your earliest convenience. I will be more than happy to assist you in finding a hotel property best suited for your budget.

If you are interested in presenting a poster or exhibit to promote the hemophilia society in your country, please let me know as soon as possible by completing the attached forms.

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at [ktsandilas@wfh.org](mailto:ktsandilas@wfh.org) or send me a fax at: 1 514 875 8916.

Kindest regards,

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