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Dear Dr Raveendran,

On behalf of the Asia-Pacific Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (APOSSM), it is my great pleasure to announce that the 2010 Travelling Fellowship Program to ESSKA is now opened for application.

This renowned program is a bi-annual scientific and cultural event, jointly organizes by APOSSM, European Society of Sports Traumatology Knee Surgery and Arthroscopy (ESSKA). The idea of travelling fellowship was firstly conceived by John Feagin and Werner Mueller. This discussion led to the establishment of the European/North American travelling fellowship program in 1985, co-organized by APOSSM and ESSKA for sports medicine orthopaedic surgeons. Being inspired by the success of the European/North American exchanges in sports medicine, the idea of Asian/ European/North American travelling fellowship program was then proposed and formalized with the Sports Medicine Section of the Western Pacific Orthopaedic Association (now the APOSSM).

This program provides a valuable opportunity for orthopaedic sports medicine surgeons around the world to exchange scientific information, stimulate research and develop collaboration and lifelong friendships. It also provides a stimulus for leadership by recognizing young surgeons who have made a significant contribution to sports medicine.

For this travelling fellowship, THREE fellows are selected by their corresponding sports medicine organization to join the program, and are accompanied by a reputed senior orthopaedic sports medicine specialist as the "Godparent". This year, it is our honor to have Prof KM Chan as our "Godfather".

This team of four from APOSSM will be the ambassadors to Europe. This is a "once-in-a-life-time" experience to gain an international experience of superb



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standard. In the past, most travelling fellows will emerge as the leaders in their countries and regions.

During the tour fellows will **1)** participate in scientific symposia with host surgeons and give presentations; **2)** view research facilities and surgical procedures; **3)** attend a national sport medicine meeting in the region they are visiting and **4)** participate in social and cultural activities with the local sports medicine community.

This year, the tour is scheduled to Europe. The program will begin on **May 16, 2010** at Warwick, UK, and travel through 6 other European countries and end at the 14th ESSKA Congress in Oslo, Norway on **Jun 12, 2010**. The airfare will be covered by our sponsor Donjoy and the accommodation will be covered by the host. For details, please refer to **Appendix I** (subjected to fine adjustment).

For interested applicant, please complete the application form attached and provide 2 letters of recommendation. Applicant must be an orthopaedic surgeon currently practicing in **China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore**, under 45 years old and must speak English fluently. For further details, please refer to the application form.

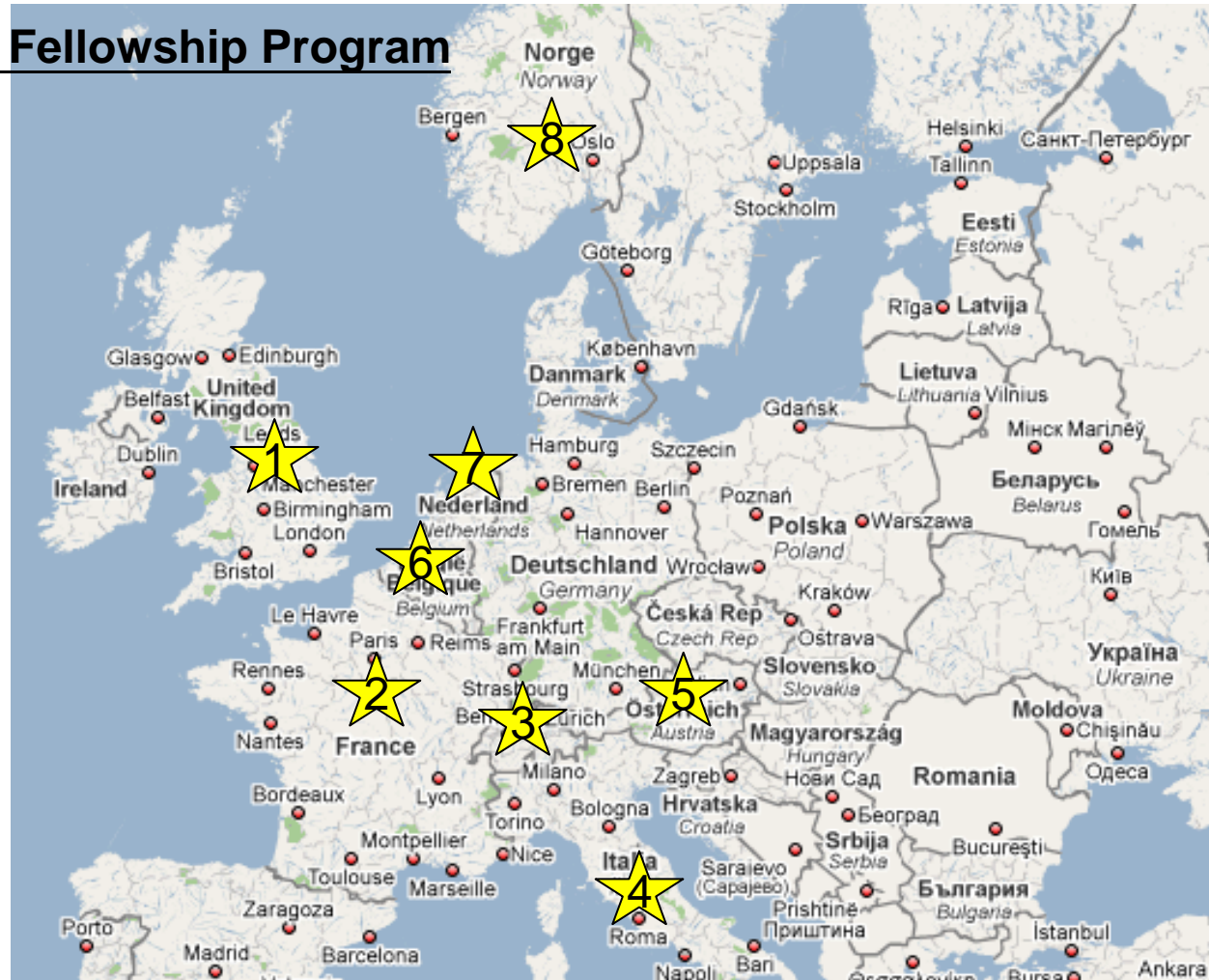
Your completed application and letters of support must be received by the society office no later than **November 1, 2009**. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Bell Chung at bellise@ort.cuhk.edu.hk or at 2635 9944.

With my very best personal regards,

Dr Patrick Yung

Secretary General of APOSSM

2010 Travelling Fellowship Program



- 1) 16.05-19.05 **Warwick** with Tim Spalding
- 2) 19.05-23.05 **Paris** with Patrick Djian, Philippe Beaufils and Philippe Hardy
- 3) 23.05-26.05 **Bruderholz** with Niklaus Friderich
- 4) 26.05-30.05 **Roma** with Andrea Ferretti, Alfredo Shiovone Panni and Fabrizio Margheritini
- 5) 30.05-02.06 **Innsbruck** with Christian Fink
- 6) 02.06-05.06 **Ghent** with René Verdonk and Fredrik Almqvist
- 7) 05.06-08.06 **Amsterdam** with Ate Wymnega
- 8) 08.06-12.06 **Oslo** with Lars Engebretsen