

The 7th Georg Rajka symposium will be held in Moshi, Tanzania, on 15–18 January 2012

KRISTIAN THESTRUP-PEDERSEN

The Skin Clinic, Nygade 4, 1, DK-4800 Nykøbing F, Denmark. E-mail: ktp56@hotmail.com

The 7th Georg Rajka symposium will be held in Moshi, Tanzania. We are aware that this location is a long distance from the initial meetings in Norway, but atopy is a worldwide problem and we consider it will be a fruitful challenge to discuss “atopy” in a different setting.

Why Moshi? Because the International League of Dermatology started a Regional Dermatology Training Centre (RDTC) in Moshe, where the Kilimanjaro Medical School is situated. It has a story going back almost 100 years, which was initiated by German doctors. Günther Stüttgen, the late professor of dermatology from Berlin, was one of the initiators of that training centre, with Henning Grossmann as the steering man. Now, John Masenga, a Tanzanian dermatologist, is its pilot. The centre was financed by the surplus of the Berlin World Congress of Dermatology, and it continues to receive financial support from World Congresses.

Approximately 200 African students have now received training in skin health through the centre; an impressive number, due to the efforts of all the RDTC teachers.

You are invited to join an exclusive gathering of dedicated dermatologists, doctors and nurses to discuss and learn more about atopic eczema in an African setting. It will be a costly trip, as there is no support for travel, lodging, registration fees, etc., but the entire financial surplus from this meeting will go to RDTC. By coming to the meeting you will be supporting valuable work in global skin health and atopic eczema.

A detailed programme is not yet available, as we prefer to work with a “developing programme”. This means that your name will be added to the list if you submit a project.

Find out more in the announcement below and on the website: www.derma.ch/agenda/Inter-Congress/7th-Georg-Rajka-Symposium.html.

Join us for a very special occasion!



Announcement and Invitation
7th Georg Rajka Symposium –
International Symposium on Atopic Dermatitis (ISAD)
Moshi, Tanzania, 15-18 January 2012

Organizing committee:

Johan Masenga
Henning Grossmann
Regional Dermatology Training
Center (RDTC) at the Kilimanjaro
Christian Medical Center (KCMC)
Peter Schmid-Grendelmeier, Zurich
Johannes Ring, Munich

Host organizing committee:

John Masenga
Henning Grossmann
and collaborators

Further information:

Mrs Z. Osman, admin@rdtc.or.tz

