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# *Final Report*

*14<sup>th</sup> EFAS congress*  
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## ***2. Scientific Program Statistics***

Except for the keynote lectures, the congress was organized in 4 parallel sessions. There were:

### 4 Keynote lectures:

**Barbara Canlon (Stockholm).**

“Circadian regulation of the auditory system: New insights and therapeutic implications”

**Karen Gordon (Toronto).**

“The importance of bilateral and spatial hearing in development: evidence from children with bilateral and asymmetric hearing loss”

**Andy Beynon (Nijmegen).**

“Assessing all five vestibular organs: clinical applications in adult and pediatric (CI) population”

**Inga Holube (Oldenburg).**

“Hearing loss: demographics, indicators, and relevance – a review of progress and shortcomings in hearing assessment”

### 7 structured sessions

- APD: diagnostics and auditory training
- Educational audiology
- Hearing instruments or cochlear implants? Audiological indication criteria.
- The smartphone revolution in audiology
- Recruiting the other ear in SSD and bimodal fitting
- Improved prediction of speech intelligibility with hearing devices
- Acoustically and electrically evoked potentials: from the electrocochleography to the response of auditory cortex



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### 6 Pre-symposium

- EFAS WG SHS School Age Hearing Screening – Jan Wouter
- EFAS WG AIP: Auditory Processing Disorders – Vasiliki (Vivian) Iliadou
- EFAS WG EDU Audiology Education – Birger Kollmeier
- EFAS WG AID Audiology & Intellectual Disability - Melina Willems
- Tinnitus: why is important to have standardization? - Haúla Haider
- EU-project EUScreen – Inger Uhlen



### Submitted Abstracts

- Posters – 130
- Oral presentation - 249 (29 free paper sessions)



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### **3. Delegate Statistics**

Category	
Regular	501
Members	32
Students (Undergraduate)	51
Audiologist Under 30 years	68
Accompanying person	1
Invited- Speakers, Committes, Board	57
Exhibitors	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>771</b>

*Delegates from the following 55 countries were present:*

Algeria  
Andorra  
Armenia  
Australia  
Austria  
Bahamas  
Belgium  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Canada  
Cape Verde  
Chile  
China  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Cyprus  
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Israel  
Italy  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Malta  
Montenegro  
Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Nigeria  
Norway  
Pakistan  
Poland  
Portugal  
Qatar  
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**Gold Sponsor:** *Cochlear Inc.*

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**Exhibitors:**

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