



President: Mark Ferguson, MD

I would like to offer thanks on behalf of the ISDE to Peter Kahrilas, MD, our current Past President, who completed his term as President in September 2008. Dr. Kahrilas is the first non-surgeon to head this organization, and provided outstanding leadership guiding us into a new era of multidisciplinary representation.

The ISDE completed its 11th World Congress in September 2008, which was a tremendous success. The next world congress is scheduled for September 2010 in Kagoshima, which is on the island of Kyushu in Japan. Planning is already underway for the scientific and social programs for this meeting. It promises to be an outstanding event.

The Executive Committee of the ISDE has created a strategic planning committee to guide the ISDE into an exciting future. We hope to increase our membership level, host larger world congresses, and expand the content and subscription rate of our journal, *Diseases of the Esophagus*.

The ISDE is committed to representing physicians of all specialties who have an interest in diseases of the esophagus and is devoted to involving young physicians in the workings of the society. Please join us in this exciting future!

Respectfully,

Mark Ferguson, MD

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## 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress held in Hungary, September 2008, with approximately 600 attendees



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*Concert at Budapest Saint Stephan Basilica*



*Horse Show*



*Past President and Congress Presidents: Peter Kahrilas (left), O.P.Horvath (center), and Janos Kiss (right)*



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*New and Past Presidents: Mark Ferguson (left) and Peter Kahrilas (right)*



*World Congress Center in Budapest*

*You can see more pictures at <http://www.isdecongress2008.com>*

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# 12th World Congress of the International Society for Diseases of the Esophagus

**September 2 (Thu) - 5 (Sun), 2010**

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