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Operational Success EORNA presented with IAPCO Regional Client Award at IMEX

Last year Copenhagen was the host city for European Operation Room Nurses Association Congress 2009, with 1800 delegates in the Bella Center, as a result of which, during IMEX, the host of the congress, was delighted to receive IAPCO's Regional Client Award.

Behind the nomination was IAPCO member Peder Andersen of DIS Congress Services, Denmark: "We have worked together with the organisation for six years culminating in a highly successful congress, in addition to introducing the EORNA ACE accreditation system - a European model for accreditation of perioperative nursing and care; we are delighted to be able to present the award at such an appropriate event as IMEX."

The award was given in recognition of the Committee's role as hosts of EORNAC 2009, with especial mention of Anette Pedersen, as President of the Congress, for her outstanding leadership.

IAPCO is committed to raising standards of service amongst all sectors of the meetings industry by means of continuing education and interaction with other professionals. As part of this commitment, IAPCO, in 1992, created a programme of Awards to recognise excellence. Nominated by IAPCO members, these Awards are presented annually to the nominated International Client, Regional/National Client and National Supplier, and have long been coveted by those who have been acknowledged for their quality and contribution to the industry by IAPCO.

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ABOUT IAPCO: Meeting Quality

The **International Association of Professional Congress Organisers (IAPCO)** was founded in 1968, is registered in Switzerland and represents today more than 100 professional organisers, meeting planners and managers of international and national congresses, conventions and special events from 35 countries. IAPCO members organise in excess of 5600 meetings annually, totaling some 2.11 million delegates and representing an economic impact in the region of 3.43 billion euros.

IAPCO is committed to raising standards of service among its members and other sectors of the meetings industry. Today IAPCO membership offers a unique quality assurance, since entry into membership of IAPCO is by meeting strict criteria and by continuous quality assessment.

The high quality standards are secured by means of continuing education and interaction with other professionals. The 'Wolfsberg' seminar, The Meetings Masterclass and the Annual Meeting and General Assembly of its members are the highlight events of IAPCO.

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