



## **ICC Wales wins British Elbow and Shoulder Society Annual Meeting for 2023**

The International Convention Centre Wales (ICC Wales) has won the right to host the British Elbow and Shoulder Society (BESS) Annual Meeting in June 2023.

Around 700 delegates will attend the annual conference which will take place over four days at the prestigious new venue in Newport, South Wales, which opens in 2019.

BESS exists to promote innovation in teaching, learning and research in order to advance education in shoulder and elbow surgery and develop the discipline further. The BESS annual conference brings together some of the greatest minds in shoulder and elbow surgery to investigate, educate and highlight new research.

BESS conference organiser Jai Mistry said: "The BESS annual conference is key to the aims and objectives of BESS and an important focal point for our members. Hosting the meeting at a brand new, state-of-the-art venue like ICC Wales will be incredibly exciting and provides an extra stimulus for members to get involved. We were impressed with the enthusiasm shown by the team in persuading us to come to South Wales and look forward to a productive and unique event amongst the inspiring surroundings of Coldra Woods."

Ian Edwards, CEO of ICC Wales, said: "I'm delighted at the news of the latest Association event confirmed for ICC Wales. The building is now visible from the M4, and it's really exciting to see the fantastic progress being made on site every day. By the time ICC Wales opens its doors in 2019, we expect to have an enviable range of events on our books and congratulate BESS on being among the first of many to confirm. I'm greatly looking forward to giving BESS a warm welcome to Wales."

An £84m joint venture between Celtic Manor Resort and Welsh Government, ICC Wales will accommodate up to 5,000 delegates. The venue includes a 4,000sqm pillar-free main hall, a 1,500-seated auditorium, 12 flexible meeting rooms, a double-height glass atrium and a 2,500 sqm outdoor plaza.

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**Notes to editors**

ICC Wales is managed by the Celtic Manor Resort's expert leadership team responsible for the successful delivery of the 2014 Nato Summit and the 2010 Ryder Cup.

Opening in 2019, the ICC Wales is located within the grounds of the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport just two minutes from the M4.