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Welcome to Lyon 2005!

The 7th Joint Meeting of the Paediatric Endocrinology Societies was opened yesterday by ESPE President **Yves Morel** at the Palais des Congrès, Lyon, France. Professor Morel and the Joint Program Organizing Committee have been working tirelessly to develop a program that provides insights into the latest scientific and clinical advances in pediatric endocrinology, as well as timely updates on more established clinical topics.

The theme for this years' meeting –“Endocrinology around the world” – was highly appropriate given the record attendance of more than 2800 delegates from all corners of the globe. Chairman of the Joint Program Organizing Committee, **Paul Czernichow**, emphasized that this truly international meeting provides a unique mix of experiences, highlighting the challenges pediatric endocrinologists face to improve the health of children around the world.

Professor Morel also invited delegates to take this great opportunity to experience France's fine cuisine and to try some of the many excellent wines produced in the local vineyards. Lyon welcomes pediatric endocrinology. Bienvenue à Lyon!

Today's overnight report is the first of two summarizing some of the scientific highlights of the meeting. A full compilation (including the report of the final day as well as a report of the Novo Nordisk Satellite Symposium *A new paradigm in GH therapy*, held on September 21) will be available shortly.

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