



RCOphth Annual Congress 2018

The St John Eye Hospital Session - past, present and future

Monday 21 May 2018 13.00 – 14.30

Chaired by Miss Alison Davis, Consultant Ophthalmologist, Moorfields Eye Hospital. Co chaired by Mr David Verity, Moorfields Eye Hospital

The St John Eye Hospital Session will describe the history of the hospital, its work today and plans for the future. The St John Ophthalmic Association (SOA) has recently been formed to re establish ophthalmic links with the hospital world wide.

The main hospital in East Jerusalem has been operating for over 130 years. The hospital is the main provider of eye care for Palestinians in East Jerusalem, and sees many of the most complex eye cases from across the oPt, which are referred to from medical centres across the West Bank and Gaza. As it is the only charitable provider of eye care, the importance of the hospital for the region cannot be overstated. St John Eye Hospital has a large outpatients department, specialist eye units, operating theatres and 24 hour eye emergency services

The hospital is internationally recognised as operating to the highest standards. St John Eye Hospital recently became the first Palestinian hospital to be awarded the three-year Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation. JCI is a US-based organisation that has established patient safety and quality service standards for health facilities worldwide.

With high rates of poverty in the region, it is essential that the hospital continues to make our services available to all. Patients are treated regardless of their ethnicity, religion or ability to pay.

13.00 – 13.10 History of the St John Eye Hospital

Alison Davis

13.10 – 13.25 View from the Hospitaller

Mr David Verity

13.25 – 13.40 Paediatric Ophthalmology in St John Eye Hospital

Mr Habes Batta, Consultant Paediatric Ophthalmologist, St John Eye Hospital

- 13.40 – 13.55** **Clinical Governance and St John Eye Hospital**
Mrs Melanie Hingorani, Moorfields Eye Hospital
- 13.55 – 14.10** **A Trainee perspective**
Dr Siegfried Wagner, Moorfields Eye Hospital
- 14.10 – 14.20** **How you can become involved**
Miss Alison Davis
- 14.20 – 14.30** **Q&A**
- 14.00 – 14.30** **Questions and discussion**