8TH CONGRESS OF THE CROATIAN NEUROSURGICAL SOCIETY AND JOINT MEETING WITH THE ITALIAN SOCIETY OF NEUROSURGERY (SiNch)

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First Announcement and Call for Papers

May 18th - 20th, 2017

HOTEL LE MERIDIEN, SPLIT, CROATIA
Dear colleagues, dear friends,

On behalf of the Boards of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society and the Italian Society of Neurosurgery, as well as the Organizing Committee, we have the pleasure of inviting you to the 8th Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society and Joint Meeting with the Italian Society of Neurosurgery, to be held between May 18th – 20th 2017, in Split, Croatia.

The Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society, the most important neurosurgical event in Croatia, will once again bring together prominent Croatian and European neurosurgeons, as well as distinguished guests and speakers from all over the world aiming to share scientific knowledge and good clinical practices through lectures, discussions and e-posters. The 8th Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society is jointly organized with the Italian Society of Neurosurgery with the scope of further strengthening the cordial and friendly relations among our Societies and individual neurosurgeons, and also contribute to the development of scientific partnerships between our countries.

The scientific program of our Joint meeting includes invited plenary lectures, oral presentations, thematic sessions called Meet the Experts and for the first time in the history of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society’s congresses, a pre-congress event, organized under the auspices of the Medical School of the University of Zagreb.

We are proud and delighted to host the 8th Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society and Joint Meeting with the Italian Society of Neurosurgery in the city of Split, the largest city of the beautiful region of Dalmatia. Split is ideal for assembling the neurosurgical communities of Croatia and Italy due to its cultural, geographic, transportation, and accommodation features. Its historical background and cultural heritage, as well as natural beauties of its surroundings will remind us once more that the Adriatic sea is not a division, but a bond among our countries.

We invite you to take an active part in the scientific program of this remarkable Congress, but also to fully enjoy the social activities that we have in preparation for you.

We look forward to seeing you in Split.

Prof. Miroslav Vukić  
President of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society

Prof. Michelangelo Gangemi  
President of Italian Society of Neurosurgery
ORGANIZERS

Croatian Neurosurgical Society
Italian Society of Neurosurgery

CONGRESS VENUE

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COMMITTEES

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Presidents: Miroslav Vukić, Michelangelo Gangemi
Members: Goran Bajek, Hrvoje Jednačak, Vlatko Ledenko, Sergej Marasanov, Goran Mrak, Krešimir Rotim, Bruno Splavski, Rade Škarica

Scientific Committee

Presidents: Bruno Splavski, Franco Servadei
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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

The Congress will be organized in a form of plenary sessions, oral presentations and digital posters.
**PRELIMINARY PROGRAM**

**May 18th, 2017 (THURSDAY)**

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Participants who would like to present an oral or poster presentation should submit an abstract for consideration by the Scientific Committee. The abstracts should be submitted in English. The Scientific Committee will determine whether the abstract will be accepted for oral or poster presentation.

The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submission to the Congress Service, Queen-Co, and of the entire communication thereafter.

Instructions for writing abstracts (MS Word or osX Pages)

- abstracts should be written in English
- abstract font: Arial 10 pts
- abstract headline should be capitalized Arial 12 pts
- author’s and co-author’s last name and first name initial without titles
- author’s and co-author’s institution, city, and country
- author’s e-mail address
- abstract length: up to 350 words
- text of the abstract: aim, methods, results and conclusion
- linguistic accuracy is the responsibility of the author
- previously published abstract will not be accepted
- IMPORTANT NOTE: translation of symbols within online forms may not always be accurate - we recommend you transcribe symbols (e.g. β should be spelled out as ‘beta’, etc.)

Instructions for submitting abstracts

Abstracts should be sent to the following address:

info@neurosurgery2017.com

Abstracts submitted via this e-mail address will be forwarded to the Scientific Committee for review. If you do not have internet access, please contact the Congress Secretariat.

Please do not submit multiple copies of the same abstract.

You will receive confirmation that your abstract has been forwarded for review, indicating the abstract number which has been allocated. Please refer to the abstract number in all correspondence regarding the abstract.

Only the abstracts of the registered presenters will be included in the Program and the Book of Abstracts.

Submission Deadline: February 1st, 2017

Notification of Acceptance of abstracts will be sent electronically to the corresponding author by March 1st, 2017.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEAKERS AND POSTER PRESENTERS

After receiving abstracts, the Scientific Committee will decide whether a submitted paper will be selected for oral or poster presentation.

Oral Presentation

- presentation time: 10 minutes
- invited speakers: 20 minutes

Speakers are kindly asked to prepare their computer presentations at least one hour before their lecture in the preparation room and deliver them to the Congress Secretariat technician.

Poster Presentations

Posters will be displayed in digital form on display panels. Posters may include text, figures and images. The authors are kindly asked to prepare and send their digital posters in the pdf format (portrait format, 70 (w) x 100 (h) cm) by May 1st, 2017 to

office@neurosurgery2017.com

REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registration

Registration is required for all participants and accompanying persons.

The participants are asked to use the e-mail address:

registration@neurosurgery2017.com

On-site registration will be possible at the Registration Desk during the Congress.

Registration Fees

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VAT (25%) is included.
Payment

DOMESTIC PARTICIPANTS

Croatian participants should pay the registration fee in Croatian Kuna (middle exchange rate on the date of payment)

Bank: Privredna banka Zagreb d.d., Radnička cesta 50, 10 000 Zagreb, Croatia

Account name: Queen - Co d.o.o., Strožanačka 24, 21312 Podstrana, OIB: 22717941096

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FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS

Foreign participants should pay the registration fee in EUR (net)

Bank: Privredna banka Zagreb d.d., Radnička cesta 50, 10 000 Zagreb, Croatia

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Upon receiving bank confirmation of your payment, you will receive an official digital confirmation code.

Cancellations and Refunds

All cancellations of Congress registration, which must include one’s full bank account details, should be sent in writing to the Congress Secretariat Queen - Co Ltd. (office@neurosurgery2017.com).

Cancellations received no later than April 1st, 2017 will be refunded in full except VAT and administrative fee of 10%.

Cancellations received after April 1st, 2017 will not be refunded.
HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Hotel Le Meridien Lav Split * * * * *
Hotel San Antonio * * * *
Hotel Split, Podstrana * * * *
Hotel Eden * * * *
Hotel BB * * *

Private accommodation

All hotels recommended by the organizer are within walking distance (300 m) from the main venue. For all reservations and information please contact:

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SPONSORSHIP AND TRADE EXHIBITION

The 8th Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society offers great opportunities to expand your company’s visibility among the participants by becoming an exhibitor and/or a sponsor. Medical, pharmaceutical and other companies are invited to take part in the Congress exhibition, which will be organized during the Congress, and are welcome to sponsor particular Congress events.
This will include multiple opportunities to introduce and discuss your products and services with leading clinicians of the aging field and open door to new leads and long-term business relationships.
For more information please contact the Congress Secretariat:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Official Language

Official language is English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

Attendance Certificate

A Certificate of Attendance will be issued to all registered participants.

Letter of Invitation

Organizing Committee will issue the Letter of Invitation upon request, to be used for visa application and for your employer. However, it does not oblige the Organizers to any financial support or reimbursement of the Congress expenses. Please send your request to the Congress Secretariat’s e-mail:

office@neurosurgery2017.com

IMPORTANT DATES AND CORRESPONDENCE

Conference Dates: May 18th – 20th, 2017

Deadlines

Submission of Abstracts: February 1st, 2017
Acceptance Notification: March 1st, 2017
Second Announcement: December 15th, 2017
Final Announcement: May 1st, 2017
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