

To all the members of the Advisory Committee of the European Society for Clinical Haemorheology and Microcirculation (ESCHM)

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Dear Colleagues and Friends - members of the Advisory Committee of the ESCHM,

About 6 months before the 16th Conference of the European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation (ESCHM) in Munich, following my letter from May 2010, I would like to inform you for the results achieved and the activities of the Society.

Collecting, reviewing and publishing the papers, presented at the 15th Conferences of the European Society of Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation (ESCHM) in Pontresina/St. Moritz, Switzerland (June 28th – July 1st, 2009) was done. These are the Selected Proceedings of the 15th Conference of the European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation (ESCHM), published in a Special Issue of Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation. Volume 45, Number 2-4 / 2010, guest editors Walter H. Reinhart and Friedrich Jung

Another journal - Series on Biomechanics with selected papers, presented at the 3rd Eurosumer School on Biorheology and Symposium on Micro and Nanomechanics and Mechanobiology of Cells, Tissues and Systems in Borovets, Bulgaria (August 28th – September 2nd, 2009) was published by the Publishing House of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences in June 2010.

But our efforts were concentrated on the organization of the next meeting of the ESCHM and now it is our great pleasure on behalf of the organizing committee and me too to welcome you to the 16th Conference of the European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation (ESCHM) which will take place from June 18th – 21th 2011 in Munich, Germany. It will be a joint meeting with the 30th annual conference of the German Society for Clinical Microcirculation and Hemorheology. You could refer to the web site of the meeting at www.eschm2011.com for registration and abstract submission.

I am pleased to welcome all the members the Advisory Committee of the ESCHM as well as non-European scholars in the field of clinical hemorheology and of microcirculation to participate in the conference by sending the proposals for topics, lectures, symposia, oral communications and posters to Dr. Dirk Clevert - the President of the Meeting (Email: Dirk.Clevert@med.uni-muenchen.de).

I am very sorry as well as the other members of the Organizing Committee that the meeting could not be, for a pity, a joint meeting with the International Society of Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation (ISCH) and the International Society of Biorheology (ISB) (3 Societies Meeting) as it was planned in advance. Nevertheless I do hope that the meeting in Munich will contribute to strengthen mutual contacts and collaboration within the national societies and groups.

During the conference, an award ceremony will be held for the Fahraeus Medal, which will be assigned according to the rules stated in the constitution of the society in recognition of scientific excellence in the field.

I do hope that the Council of the ESCHM and all the members will act for the success of the meeting. The news will be published at the web site of the ESCHM (<http://www.unisi.it/ricerca/asso/esch/index.htm>).

All the acts and the decisions regarding the Society have been and will be shared on the web site of the ESCHM, which is regularly updated. I would like to remind you again to update the information in the official web site of the Society.

Finally, I would like to inform you about other forthcoming activities of the National Societies and groups which will be organised in the near future too: 5th All-Russian Conference on Clinical hemostasiology and hemorheology in the cardiovascular surgery, organized in Moscow, Russia in February 3-5, 2011 (<http://www.hemostas.ru/conference/index.shtml>) by Dr. E. Roitman and the annual International Conference on Hemorheology and Microcirculation in Yaroslavl, Russia, organized by Prof. A. Muravyov in June 11-15, 2011 (Email: anton@yspu.yar.ru)

I hope that the national societies and groups will work together in the future for the collaboration in the field of clinical hemorheology and microcirculation and success of the meetings.

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