Dear colleagues,

The 17th European Conference for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation will start next week. The program highlights our scientific interests and I hope to meet you all in Pecs.

As from now there are several offers for the venue of the next 18th European Conference for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation. One proposal to hold the next conference was made at the previous meeting in Munich by our colleague from Yaroslavl, Russia - Dr. Tikhomirova. Traditionally, the venue of the meeting is chosen by the local organizing society. Now this request for the venue of the meeting was confirmed by Moscow (Organizers: Prof. E. Roitman from Moscow (President of the Russian Society on Clinical Hemostasiology) and Prof. A. Muravyev from Yaroslavl (Vice-President of the Russian Society for Microcirculation and Hemorhelogy). In the meantime such requests for the venue of the next Conference(s) were made by Lisbon, Sofia and Italy. In Pecs our society has to decide who will be the president of the Conference and, as well, where the Conference should take place.

For the period of 10 years from 2003 to present the European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation organized six successful conferences. For the same period the journal Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation developed very well and its impact factor increased from 0.83 in 2003 up to 3.389 in 2012.

I would like to remember further, that we will have to elect a new President of our society since my presidency will end as I was President of the European Society for Clinical Hemorheology and Microcirculation for two periods and a re-election is not possible. At present, our honorary President, Sandro Forconi, past president and the Vice-presidents and I are discussing the potential aspects.

I would like to remember further, that the meeting of the ESCHM Committee will held on Monday, 8th July 2013 at 12:30 – 14 (Lunch time!) in *Room 2*

I am convinced that we will find a new President of high international standing and well accepted by our society with integrity who will keep the level of excellency and strategically adapt our Society to the future needs.

Hope to see you all in Pecs Best regards

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