



Dear member,

We would like to share with you with the report on activities of The Eastern European Support Committee (EESC). The interests in shoulder and elbow surgery have risen significantly over the recent years. Numbers of the SECEC members from EE countries increased although there are still areas empty island on European map. Our main mission is not only to increase the Eastern European family of SECEC members but also to improve our research activities, be more active in presenting own results and publish our data. The Eastern European Support Committee is continuously active in providing quality teaching and participation in local, national and regional meetings.

EESC currently consists of Przemyslaw Lubiowski from Poland, Nuri Aydin from Turkey, Paolo Paladini from Italy, Janne Lehtinen from Finland, Pericles Papadopoulos from Greece, Gabor Skaliczki from Hungary. This report will include the activities from Istanbul Congress till now.

Turkey remained very active in teaching, organizing 3 cadaver courses organized by Turkish Society: 9th shoulder arthroscopy Cadaver Course was organized by Turkish Society in *Antalya (11.2014 by Dr. Taner Gunes)*, 1st Shoulder Arthroplasty Cadever Course was held in Izmir (01.2015, by *Dr. Hayrettin Kesmezacar*) and Comprehensive Elbow Cadaver Course in Antalya (05.2015, by *Dr. Ata Can Atalar*). Free registration for EEC for the course was offered. Basic arthroscopic and open procedures and advanced arthroplasty techniques were studied on fresh frozen cadaveric shoulders.

There was another (4th) edition of Zagreb Shoulder and Elbow Course was organised under SECEC support by *Dr. Nikola Cicak*. This year participation increased to 81 participants with faculty from 16 countries.

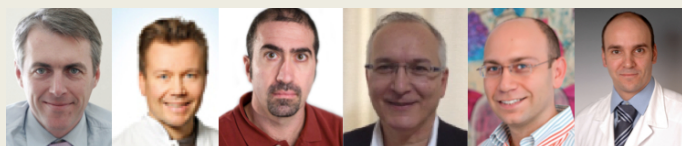
Significant step has been made in Poland, where Polish Society for Shoulder and Elbow was founded (26.03.2015). This was accompanied by 2nd Master Course and Cadaver Workshop was in Glucholazy (by *Dr. Robert Pelka*). Earlier this season was another edition of the meeting in Bielsko-Biala with intense life surgery course organized by *Dr. Roman Brzoska*.

Important event on our EE map were very successful two SECEC-EFORT sessions in Prague (26.03.2015). Both sessions were presented by international and Czech faculty: massive rotator cuff tears and infections in shoulder surgery. The participation was promoted for EE shoulder surgeons.

Dr Evgenyi Goncharov organized instructional and live surgery course in Moscow with official support of the SECEC with both Russian and international faculty. The course was very well accepted and showed great interest and rising experience in that part of the Europe.

We have managed to attract new members from the countries that did not have representation so far in our society. We have also rejuvenated our part of the SECEC website. Some of EE surgeons had a chance to join the meetings in Germany and Finland with free participation.

The Eastern European Support Committee is working actively to develop participation of SECEC members at teaching sessions in the meetings. For the future we are planning a fellowship programme from Eastern European Countries. We are staying in disposal to help all our Eastern European members and those willing to join us in future.



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