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## The 7<sup>th</sup> National Congress of the Romanian Society of Neurosurgery with International Participation

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REPORT

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The city of Cluj-Napoca, the cultural treasure of Transylvania, had the honour to organize the 7th National Congress of the Romanian Society of Neurosurgery with International Participation, held between 28<sup>th</sup> of September and 2<sup>nd</sup> of October and it was hosted by Hotel Napoca. The event gathered outsanding personalities of the neurosurgical field, among which Prof. A.V. Ciurea (Romania), Prof. Bertrand Devaux (France), Prof. St.I. Florian (Romania), Prof. M.R. Gorgan (Romania), Prof. N. Ianovici (Romania), Prof. Ralf Ketter (Germany), Dr. N. Krayenbuhl (Switzerland), Dr. F.W. Kreth (Germany), Prof. J.C. Marchal (France), Prof. I. Nyary (Hungary), Prof. J. Oertel (Germany), Prof. I. Poeata (Romania), Prof. F.X. Roux (France), Prof. H.W.S. Schoeder (Germany), Prof. W.I. Steudel (Germany), Prof. L. Steiner (USA), Prof. M.S. Tatagiba (Germany), Prof. P.P. Varga (Hungary), Prof. K.R.H. von Wild (Germany), Prof. G. Zapuhlih (Republic of Moldova), and Prof. M. Zileli (Turkey). Unfortunately Prof. J.M. Derlon and Prof. G. Lena couldn't attend this scientific event due to objective circumstances.

The Congress was preceded as every time by the French Course of Neurosurgery, organized by the French Society of Neurosurgery. The topics were varied covering approaches for craniostenosis, pituitary adenomas, pharmacoresistent epilepsy, and disembrioplazic and median line tumors at children. At the end of the Day the social program offered an organ concert at the Calvinist Church and the official opening cocktail in the presence of the Mayor, Mr. Sorin Apostu at the Opera Plaza Hotel.

The first day of the Congress, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2010, began with the Opening Ceremony in the presence of Prof. Dr. Constantin Ciuce, Rector of the University Medicine Pharmacy of and "Iuliu Hatieganu" Cluj-Napoca, Prof. Dr. A.V. Ciurea, Honorary President of RSN, Prof. Dr. N. Ianovici, the president in charge of RSN, Prof. Dr. L. Steiner, Honorary member of RSN, Prof. Dr. Dafin Muresanu, president of SSNN and Prof. Dr. Ioan Stefan Florian, president of the Local Organizing Committee, in which the optimism of the organizers and guests had the desired echo during the whole congress. Around 45 lectures were given, these being structured in six sessions of the congress: Third ventricle and pineal region tumors, Spinal metastasis, State of art in supratentorial malignant glioma, SSNN session, Young neurosurgeon's corner and Varia. The conference not only offered the chance for presentation, but also for discussions and confrontations of ideas with daring questions and adequate answers.

The social program continued with a Cocktail Party which took place at the Cluj-Napoca Art Museum, being accompanied by a spectacular string instruments concert and ended on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October by a visit to the Salt Mine of Turda, a gorgeous establishment hosting the Gala Dinner.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> within the general assembly of the Romanian Society of Neurosurgery elections took place for the new board of the RSN for the next two years. Prof. Dr. Ioan Stefan Florian was unanimously elected by open voting the new president of the society. Prof. Florian named the secretary of the society in the person of Dr. Alexandru Lupsa and the treasurer of the society in the person of Dr. Virgil Pasca. The vice-presidents were also elected by open voting and they are the following: Prof. Dr. Ion Poeata, Prof. Dr. Radu Mircea Gorgan and Dr. Horia Ples. Dr. Stefan Mircea Iencean is elected to remain the editor-in-chief of the Romanian Neurosurgery, and the elected members of the RSN board are the following: Assoc. Prof. Mohan (Oradea), Dr. Mitrica (Military Hospital Bucharest) and Dr. Sora

(Petrosani) and Dr. Alin St. L. Blaga as the representative of the residents.

The Young neurosurgeons' corner and Poster session were the closure of the congress, meanwhile emphasizing the existing potential among the resident and young neurosurgeons in Romania.

The Closing Ceremony was also optimistic, congratulations were addressed to the local organizing committee (Prof. Dr. I.St. Florian, Prof. Dr. D.F. Muresanu, Dr. T. Maior, Dr. A. Oslobanu, Dr. I. Szabo, Dr. S. Vidican) and to the Event Consulting, and also to the scientific committee (Prof. Dr. A.V. Ciurea, Prof. Dr. N. Ianovici, Prof. dr. I. Poeata, Dr. St.M. Iencean), to the guests and participants for the irreproachable organization of this high scientific level event. Officially the next conference of the Romanian Society of Neurosurgery in announced and its location, which would be Targu Mures and the invitation for the 1<sup>st</sup> Regional Conference of Neurosurgery in the Danube-Carpathian Region, 25th - 27th May 2011, Cluj-Napoca is launched.