



Dr. Mihai Ionac
ISEM President



*Wishing you and yours
the very best of the
Holiday Season*

A letter from the President

Dear Colleagues, distinguished members of ISEM:

We still have vibrant memories of the charming days spent in Tianjin, with the occasion of the 13rd Congress of ISEM. Our friendly hosts were Hao Wang and the Tianjin Medical University General Hospital. We owe gratitude to the local Organizing Committee for gathering more than 300 participants and more than 120 papers in a modern venue with an excellent organization. The meeting was opened by a session dedicated to the memory of Dr. Sun Lee, the founder of ISEM, recalling his important legacy for the world of microsurgery. The Tianjin meeting also provided an opportunity for discussing important administrative issues. It has been set as an important task of the board of ISEM to create an independent and modern internet site, as a communication hub within the society, attracting new members and establishing links with other societies. The board also discussed the creation of new committees aimed at increasing the involvement of ISEM membership in the activities of the society and relieve part of the burden of the Executive committee. Last but not least, the ISEM board elected and welcomed the new Executive committee members for the term 2016-2018: Mihai Ionac (Romania) took the position of President and Francesco Boccardo (Italy) will act as President-Elect. Mihai Oltean (Sweden) was elected as Secretary General and Hao Wang (China) as Corresponding Secretary while Jenny Zheng Zhang (USA) will continue as Treasurer. Norbert Nemeth made the introduction of the next Congress to be held in Hungary in 2018 and Mihai Oltean presented the bid of Gothenburg as the site of the 2020 Congress. The committee agreed with the proposal.

We are looking forward to meeting you all again, in Debrecen, Hungary in 2018.

Announcement

The 14th Congress
of the International Society
for Experimental
Microsurgery
will be held in Debrecen,
Hungary on 23-25 August,
2018

www.isem2018.org

Important dates

- ◆ **Abstract submission:**
23 April, 2018
- ◆ **Abstract confirmation:**
23 May, 2017
- ◆ **Early bird registration:**
23 June, 2017
- ◆ **14th ISEM Congress:**
23-25 August, 2017



2017 new members

- ◆ Mats Hellström (Sweden)
- ◆ Antonio Pesce (Italy)
- ◆ Li Dingyang (China)
- ◆ Xin Kang (China)
- ◆ Federica Di Marco (Italy)
- ◆ Kaoru Endo (Japan)



Message from the Secretary General



Dr. Mihai Oltean
ISEM Secretary

ISEM has come of age and is now in the middle of its third decade of existence. Age brings experience and stability but also comes with the risk of failing to adapt yesterdays' routines to the reality of today and to the landscape of tomorrow. Our society's mission to bring together microsurgions from widely ranging biomedical areas and offer them a common forum has been set before the breakthrough of the internet and the ongoing globalization and it remains its primary goal. However, numerous new concepts and standards of communications which have lately become available raise challenges and offer new opportunities which ISEM still has to tackle. While individual communication and cooperation between ISEM members is very active resulting in numerous common activities such as research exchanges, joint authorships and scientific meetings the society itself has been less visible. The ISEM Executive board supported the transition of the newsletter to a new format that may offer increased space and visibility to its own members and events.

Further steps will soon follow for an optimal use of the available social media and a more active presence in promoting the society in the cyberspace.

Member Benefit

- ◆ Reduced registration fees for ISEM meetings
- ◆ Discounted rates at ISEM-accredited courses & educational activities
- ◆ Voting rights and the opportunity to serve on ISEM committees
- ◆ Continuing Medical Education (CME)
- ◆ Online videos on surgical techniques
- ◆ Online lectures and webinars
- ◆ Regular updates on ISEM initiatives and activities
- ◆ Consulting services and expert networking
- ◆ Become part of a global network of top microsurgions and researchers



The 14th Congress of the International Society for Experimental Microsurgery

Congress President:

- ◆ Norbert Nemeth MD, PhD

Honorary Congress Presidents :

- ◆ Iren Miko MD, PhD
- ◆ Istvan Furka MD, PhD

Local Organizing Committee:

Adam Deak, DVM, PhD

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Gabor Varga, MD



13th Congress of the International Society for Experimental Microsurgery — A report by Dr. Hao Wang, the Congress President

The 13th Congress of the International Society for Experimental Microsurgery (ISEM) was successfully held in Tianjin, China from August 25-28, 2016. As the President of ISEM 2016, Dr. Hao Wang has welcomed over 500 participants from many countries, such as America, Canada, Italy, England, Sweden, Switzerland, Hungary, Romania, Japan, China, Brazil, and more to the city of Tianjin. ISEM 2016 has brought together surgeons, physicians, scientists, specialists, trainees, and other associated microsurgeons who are interested in the clinical and research aspects of minimally invasive surgery, transplantation, and microsurgery training. The program was developed to encourage the fruit-exchange of new scientific and clinical information, there by strengthening collaborations and creating opportunities for clinicians and scientists alike. During the 3-day conference, we have heard exceptional presentations including 18 invited lectures and 52 oral presentations. The memorial event was also held to remember Professor Sun Lee, the founder of the microsurgery society and the father of microsurgery, for his gentle spirit and unwavering focus on microsurgery, as well as his great support to the microsurgery society. We are glad to see so many young clinical doctors, researchers, and trainees actively involved during the congress. To recognize their outstanding scientific work, the International Scientific Award Review Committee has issued 8 scientific awards to 18 award winners. These awards include Dr. Robert Zhong Award, Young Investigator Award, International Microsurgery Trainee Award, International Scientific Mentorship Award, Microsurgical Technology Innovation Award, Best Abstract Award, Congress Service Award, and the Best Presentation Award. The ISEM 2016 congress local organizing committee gives many thanks to all participants, the organizing team members, volunteers, service people, and supporters for all the hard work to make this congress the best to date. We can now look forward to our next ISEM congress, which will be held in Debrecen, Hungary in 2018.



Dr. Hao Wang

Romania, Japan, China, Bra-Tianjin. ISEM 2016 has physicians, scientists, spe-sociated microsurgeons are interested in the clini-crosurgery, minimally in-tion, regenerative medi-ing. The program was deful communication and clinical information, there-tions and creating opportu-tists alike. During the 3-exceptional presenta-

International Center for the Training and Advancement of Microsurgery

With the approval and support of ISEM scientific board, ISEM has established the “International Center for the Training and Advancement of Microsurgery” at Tianjin Medical University General Hospital in Tianjin, China. This center directed by Dr. Hao Wang is now treated as the Chinese Division of the International Society for Experimental Microsurgery, and will provide the benefit and training courses to the international trainees who are related to the international microsurgery society.

