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**XXVIII**



**European Federation Congress  
of the International College  
of Surgeons**

**Surgical Challenges  
During a Time of Crisis**

**April 3-5 2014**

**Makedonia Palace Hotel  
Thessaloniki, Greece**

**1<sup>st</sup> Announcement**



Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to welcome you all for the European Federation Congress managed by the Hellenic section of the International College of Surgeons.

Europe is a very prestigious federation in the college and the college strongly supports the activity of the European section as reflection of the European innovations in surgery.

Greece has been always a pioneer in surgery since the dawn of history. Immortal names a Celsius who described surgery as curing diseases by the hand hence the Latin word Churriguera.

Hippocratic 460 370 B.C. founded Hippocrates oath and Herophilos 335 - 280 B.C. was the founder of the great medical school of Alexandria.

Welcome to the land of elite civilization.

Yours truly,

Prof. **Adel Fouad Ramzy**

World President of International College of Surgeons

Emeritus Prof. of Surgery, Cairo University



Dear friends,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to Thessaloniki, Greece, for the 28<sup>th</sup> European Federation Congress of the International College of Surgeons, organized by the Greek Chapter of the International College of Surgeons and the First Department of Surgery of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

During these 3 days we will hear about and discuss cutting edge topics in General Surgery, as well as several of the specialties. The title of the meeting is "Surgical Challenges during a Time of Crisis", in an effort to acknowledge the difficult times that we live in. The crisis that we face in both Europe and around the world is as much a financial one, as it is one of values. In these difficult times, the role of the International College of Surgeons becomes even more important, as with congresses and meetings such as this one, we have the opportunity to convene together and debate these challenges.

We will have the opportunity to hear from colleagues from around the world in different formats ranging from free papers to round tables and debates, where a lot of the tough surgical questions and disagreements will be argued. New technologies and innovations will be integrated in this program, in addition to hearing surgeons from different specialties discuss issues about the status of surgical education around Europe and the world, as well as the financial considerations in current surgical practice.

Finally, I hope that you will all have the opportunity to enjoy our beautiful and historic city of Thessaloniki and all the attractions it has to offer.

Welcome and thank you,

**Georgios N. Marakis**

Professor and Head of First Department of Surgery  
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki



### Highlight Topics of the Congress (but not limited to) will include:

- Update in the state of Laparoscopic/Robotic Surgery
- The role of surgery in endocrine disease
- The evolution of the management of colorectal cancer
- HepatoPancreaticoBiliary Disease: the role of surgery in the therapeutic armamentarium
- Gastric and esophageal cancer: where do we stand?
- Trauma systems in a changing world
- Current management of hernias
- The changing paradigm in the management of breast disease
- Trends in bariatric surgery
- Surgical Oncology principles
- The role and value of surgical technology
- Surgical education and training programs
- Anesthesia and intensive care of the surgical patient
- Modern concepts in gynecologic surgery
- Challenges in neurosurgical practice
- The evolution of vascular surgery

### General Information

**Congress Dates:** April 3 - 5 2014

**Congress Venue:** Makedonia Palace, Thessaloniki

**Deadline for Abstracts:** January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014

**Abstract Submission:** Please visit [www.globalevents.gr](http://www.globalevents.gr) for the abstract submission guidelines.

**Registration and Accommodation Form:** Kindly please visit [www.globalevents.gr](http://www.globalevents.gr) for the registration and accommodation form. Please fill in the form and send it at the Congress Secretariat via fax at +30 2310 247746.

#### **Registration:**

Type	Until 01/31/14	02/01/14 until on-site registration
Specialists	250€	300€
Residents	75€	100€
Nurses	40€	40€
Students	FREE	FREE

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