#### FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT





Serbian Neurosurgical Society



Association of Neurosurgeons of Russia



Russian Association of Spinal Surgeons

in conjunction with



Croatian Society for Spine Surgery

### **JOINT MEETING**

# **SPINE SURGERY IN XXI CENTURY**

current concept, controversies, perspectives



4th Annual meeting of Serbian Neurosurgical Society



Joint meeting with Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society



October 4-7 2018 Niš, Serbia

> Venue: Tami Residence Hotel

95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of neurosurgery in Serbia

80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Clinic for Neurosurgery, Belgrade, Serbia

55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Clinic for Neurosurgery, KC Niš, Serbia



Dear colleagues and friends,

It is my privilege, honor and pleasure to invite you to take part in the JOINT MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NEUROSURGEONS OF RUSSIA, RUSSIAN ASSOCIATION OF SPINAL SURGEONS AND SERBIAN NEUROSURGICAL SOCIETY IN CONJUNCTION WITH CROATIAN SOCIETY FOR SPINE SURGERY, on the occasion of the Fourth Annual Meeting of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society and Joint Meeting with Southeast European Neurosurgical Society, which will be held in NIŠ, SERBIA, OCTOBER 4-7, 2018.

Russia and Serbia share a long tradition of cooperation and friendship, and this meeting is the result of long-lasting collaboration between Serbian and Russian Neurosurgical Societies, which has only intensified and become more successful over the past years.

The global theme of the meeting is **SPINE SURGERY IN XXI CENTURY - Current Concept, Controversies, Perspectives**. The scientific program will cover all treatment aspects of surgical pathology of the spine, from basic to innovative.

Serbian Neurosurgical Society is delighted that The Fourth Annual Meeting of Serbian Neurosurgical Society will feature renowned international experts, as well as prominent Russian and Serbian neurosurgeons, who will gather together in Niš in order to improve the quality of neurosurgical service and education today, for the sake of a better tomorrow.

Thereby we are also marking three important anniversaries – 95 years since the founding of neurosurgery in Serbia, 80 years of the Clinic of Neurosurgery at the Clinical Center of Serbia and 55 years of the Clinic for Neurosurgery at the Clinical Center Niš.

Continuing the good practice established at The First Annual Meeting of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society held in Belgrade in 2015, we are pleased to announce the annual Serbian Neurosurgical Society Best Young Neurosurgeon Paper Award for 2018, with international participation. Eligible for the award are scientific papers by young

neurosurgeons (up to 40 years of age) from Serbia and abroad.

The papers submitted for the award will be presented by their authors and assessed by a jury of national and international experts. We are also pleased to announce Young Neurosurgeons' Forum as a special segment of the academic program of the Congress.

Leaning upon the strong foundations of tradition and experience and following contemporary professional accomplishments, trends and innovations, we strive for neurosurgery and neuroscience without frontiers and aim at building bridges of knowledge and understanding across disciplines, institutions, individuals and generations.

The host city of Niš, with its unique spirit, is a venue that is particularly well-suited to the concept of borderless cooperation. Nowadays the third largest city of Serbia, Niš has from ancient times been considered a gateway between the East and the West. Notably, it is the birthplace of Constantine the Great, who was the first Roman emperor to legalize Christianity along with other religions in the Roman Empire, and the founder of Constantinople as the capital of the Eastern Roman/Byzantine Empire. He was also the first ruler to establish public clinics throughout the Roman Empire where the poor, the injured and the helpless received medical care.

In the spirit of Constantine the Great's wise words – "With free minds" – we invite you to join us in Niš in October 2018, convinced that our gathering will provide many memorable scientific and social moments.

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We look forward to welcoming you in Niš!



Prof. dr Lukas Rasulic
President of the Serbian
Neurosurgical Society
Honorary President of the Congress



It is a pleasure for us to invite you to the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society and joint meeting "SPINE SURGERY IN 21 CENTURY - CURRENT CONCEPT, CONTROVERSIES, PERSPECTIVES" between the Association of Neurosurgeons of Russia, Russian Association of Spinal Surgeons and Serbian Neurological Society in conjunction with Croatian Society for Spine Surgery to be held in NIS, SERBIA, ON 4-7 OF OCTOBER 2017.

Rapid development of our specialty, emergence of new technologies, modern neuroimaging techniques, improved methods of diagnostics have determined the main topics for discussions.

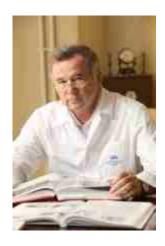
The interest towards this event is aroused by participation of outstanding neurosurgical faculty and experienced specialists in spinal neurosurgery from Russia and Serbia.

This is also a chance to outline the tasks for future perspective studies in spinal neurosurgery.

We are absolutely sure that beauty of the countryside and hospitality of the Serbian people will make your visit pleasant and unforgettable.

Welcome to Nis!

Best wishes,



**Alexander Potapov, MD, PhD**Professor of Neurosurgery
Director



Nikolay Konovalov, MD, PhD Professor of Neurosurgery Head of Department of Spinal Neurosurgery

Dear colleagues, dear friends!

Welcome to the joint meeting SPINE SURGERY IN XXI CENTURY - Current concept, controversies, perspectives organized by Association of Neurosurgeons of Russia, Russian Association of Spinal Surgeons and Serbian Neurosurgical Society in conjunction with Croatian Society for Spine Surgery, which will be held in Niš, Serbia, from October 4-7, 2018.

This important meeting will be held on the occasion of the 4th Annual meeting of Serbian Neurosurgical Society as a Joint meeting with Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society

Thanks to the collaborative work of our societies a comprehensive scientific program will be put together covering all areas of interest in spinal neurosurgery.

No doubt, the spectrum of spine-related problems to be discussed and participation of outstanding neurosurgeons from different countries will make this event especially interesting.

We hope that picturesque surroundings, mild climate and exciting social programme will make your visit pleasant.

Welcome to Nis!

Yours sincerely,



Alexander Konovalov
President of the Association
of neurosurgeons of Russia

Dear Colleagues, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As the President of SouthEast Europe Neurosurgical Society and Croatian Society for Spine Surgery it is my great pleasure and honor to announce and invite You to to the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society and joint meeting "SPINE SURGERY IN 21<sup>th</sup> CENTURY-CURRENT CONCEPT, CONTROVERSIES, PERSPECTIVES" between the Association of Neurosurgeons of Russia, Russian Association of Spinal Surgeons and Serbian Neurological Society in conjunction with Croatian Society for Spine Surgery and the Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society, to be held in Niš, Serbia, on October 4-7 2018.

The Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society (SeENS, www.seens.eu) has been founded in 2012. SeENS has succeeded to rebuilt liasons and to make new once after a period of almost 20 years of poor comunication between colleagues in the SE Europe region. Currently SeENS is gathering neurosurgeons from 14 countries of the Southeast Europe region.

Rapid development of spine surgery, improved methods of diagnostics, new technologies and modern neuroimaging techniques have urged the need to organize such an event.

Concerning the attractiveness of spine surgery the list of the invited speakers at this Joint meeting is impressive and includes the EuroAsian and World's leading experts in the field of neurosurgery. Over 100 active participants are expected to attend the Joint meeting.

This meeting will have the patronage and support of all important State and Academic Institutions of Republic of Serbia.

It is my great honor to invite You to participate at this Joint meeting and to discover and enjoy the beautiful city of Niš, were Emperor Constantin, the "Emperor of the Christian people" was born.

I cordially invite You to Niš, Serbia, to experience and share noteworthy scientific and social moments.

Sincerely,



Prof. dr Kresimir Rotim
SeENS President
President of the Croatian Society for Spine Surgery
Honorary President of the Congress

Dear colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we announce the Joint Meeting of Spinal Surgery organized by the Association of Neurosurgeons of Russia, Russian Association of Spinal Surgeons and Serbian Neurosurgical Society in conjunction with Croatian Society for Spine Surgery, under the title: SPINE SURGERY IN XXI CENTURY-Current concept, controversies, perspectives.

This meeting will take place in Niš, Serbia, between October 4-7th, 2018. on the occasion of the 4th Annual meeting of Serbian Neurosurgical Society as a Joint meeting with Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society.

Extremely rapid developments in the field of spine surgery have led to the need for permanent connections, and mutual exchange of knowledge and experience, between a large number of medical experts involved in the diagnosis, surgical treatment, and significant post-operative physical therapy procedures of spinal diseases. The active approach to dealing with degenerative diseases, injuries, tumor processes and deformities of the spine is imperative for the forthcoming period because it allows a lot of patients to quickly return to

normal life and thus be less of a burden to society. Cutting-edge technology solutions, materials, and equipment have been very aggressive in trying to impose their vision of spine surgery. Therefore, critically important application of appropriate technical possibilities, harmonization of different viewpoints on the selection of surgical techniques and the use of adequate materials and equipment form a base for mutual exchange of experience, towards the making of the best decisions for the benefit of patients.

The city of Niš, where this important international gathering will take place, is one of the oldest cities in the Balkans – the birthplace of the Roman Emperor Constantine the Great who proclaimed Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire as early as 1700 years ago. The city with a big heart, Niš stands at the crossroads of historical developments and future prospects. We are truly honored to invite you to be a part of this valued event.



Prof. Nebojsa Stojanovic PhD, MD, neurosurgery President of the Organizing Committee

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### Congress fee:

Category	Early registration	Late registration
Specialists	100 euro	150 euro
Residents	50 euro	50 euro
Medical students	No fee	No fee

#### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

You are kindly invited to submit your abstract for the event **Spine surgery in XXI** century, either for **oral or poster presentation**.

The abstract should be submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 as on-line submission. All abstracts will be reviewed. Accepted abstracts will be published in the Abstract Book. Carefully read the guidelines stated here before submitting your abstract. Acknowledgement of receipt of your submission will be returned to your e-mail address immediately upon submission. If you do not receive our e-mail, your submission was not completed and your abstract needs to be resubmitted. Please note, that acknowledgement of receipt of your abstract submission does not mean that your abstract is accepted by the Scientific Committee.

#### On-line abstract submission:

The abstracts should be uploaded on the web site:

www.snssspine2018.talkb2b.net/abstract page

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#### Notification of Acceptance

Notification of acceptance/rejection will be e-mailed in the end of June 2018. (contact Congress Secretary if you have not received your notification e-mail by the  $1^{st}$  of July 2018). The corresponding author will receive any correspondence concerning the abstract.



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## Thursday, October 4, 2018

Welcome faculty reception Hotel "Tami Residence"

## Friday, October 5, 2018

Gala Dinner Venue: TBA

## Saturday, October 6, 2018

Traditional Serbian Dinner Venue: TBA

## Sunday, October 7, 2018

Networking dinner Venue: TBA

#### Congress venue

Niš is the third largest city of Serbia, and the administrative center of the Nišava District in southern Serbia

It is one of the oldest cities in the Balkans and Europe, and has from ancient times been considered a gateway between the East and the West. The city was among several taken in the Roman conquest in 75 BC; the Romans built the Via Militaris in the 1<sup>st</sup> century, with Naissus being one of its key towns. It is also the birthplace of Constantine the Great, the first Christian Emperor and the founder of Constantinople, and Constantius III and Justin I.

It is home to one of the oldest churches in Serbia, dating to the 4<sup>th</sup> century, located in the suburb of Mediana. The town was named after the Nišava River, which flows through the city and which was named Navissos by the Celtic.

Niš is one of the most important industrial centers in Serbia, a center of electronics industry, industry of mechanical engineering, textile and tobacco industry. Constantine the Great Airport is its international airport. In 2013 the city was host to the celebration of 1700 years of Constantine's Edict of Milan.



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