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Message from the Secretary General

Dear members,

We hope you all had a refreshing summer and resumed clinical and research work with lots of energy and new ideas. After a very successful annual meeting in Milan, the European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery is also proceeding with new projects and initiatives. In early July, the Executive Board met in Frankfurt with an extraordinary agenda. Many points of interest were discussed and the following decisions were approved.

The contract between ESTES and Mondial, a professional congress organizer based in Vienna, has been adapted and renewed until 2015. After our excellent experience with Mondial, we at ESTES would like to continue and intensify the cooperation on the level of the administrative office and the congress organization. In the new contract, the specific responsibilities of the partners have been defined more precisely.

Parallel to the ESTES-Mondial contract, guidelines for the preparation and organization of the annual European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery (ECTES) have been established. Previous guidelines have been discussed in depth and refined. Also here, the responsibilities of ESTES, the national organizing committee, the congress president and the professional congress organizer (PCO) were the focus of our discussions. The guidelines still need a last reading and will be approved at our next executive board meeting.

The framework program of the next ECTES in Basel was discussed as well. Ideas such as a half-day congress program for the public of Basel and specific prize sessions came up. The successful guest symposia will be continued. An attractive social program with a specific Swiss touch was presented by the congress president. Special attention was given to the timeline for the different phases of the congress preparation.

Our President, Prof. I. Marzi, reported on a meeting with representatives of ESTES and EFORT, the European Federation of National Societies of Orthopedics and Traumatology on the occasion of the annual EFORT meeting in Copenhagen on June 3rd. Over the last few years, there have been guest symposia at the ECTES and EFORT meetings, organized by the invited society. It is the desire of both Societies to intensify the collaboration in the field of skeletal trauma. In a first phase, the number of guest symposia will be enhanced and combined ESTES-EFORT symposia will be organized in the annual meetings of both societies. In a later phase, common guidelines for the treatment of specific lesions will be worked out.

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The executive board also approved a core curriculum for emergency surgery, which will be written down in a manual and presented as an Emergency Surgery Course (ESC). Trade marking of ESC has been applied for at the responsible European authorities, and the evaluation is ongoing. This spring the ESC was organized in Istanbul for the first time and turned out to be a big success. Multiple requests for the organization of the course have already reached our administrative office. We hope the course organization will see a strong development and a high degree of acceptance among our members.

The executive board is also involved in the preparation of the European Trauma Course (ETC) Manual, which accompanies the already established ETC. Members of the four founding Societies of European Trauma Course Organization (ETCO) are working together on the newest version of this manual, which should be available in spring 2012.

Dear members, other important initiatives such as the European Trauma Registry and activities of the different sections are currently in progress. We will refer to them in the next ESTES Newsletter.

We all wish you a lovely rest of your summer and a strong start to another working year.

With kind regards,

Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c.P.M. Rommens

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Report on the Emergency Surgery Section Activities

Emergency Surgery Section Meeting
Milan, April 30th, 2011

Chair – Hakan Yanar (Turkey)

Vice Chair – Hayato Kurihara (Milan)

The Emergency Surgery Section (ESS) currently has 336 members, an increase of 41.6% over the past year.

After the invitation of Prof. Taviloglu and Prof. Leppaniemi some “Focus on” issues are going to be proposed for publication in the official journal of the Society.

Due to the hard work of Prof. Rifat Latifi and Prof. Fernando Turegano, a Focus on Enterocutaneous Fistula has already been published in the European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery (EJTES, vol. 37, issue 3, June 2011), while another Focus on Gastrointestinal Bleeding edited by Dr. Yusuf Kilic has already been published online. A third project regarding Focus on Bowel Obstruction will be developed by Dr. Hayato Kurihara.

In 2010 and 2011, in cooperation with the Educational Section of the Society and with other distinguished International Institutions (e.g. Istanbul University, Portuguese Society for Surgery) some hands-on ultrasound courses dedicated to the emergency setting have been organized and endorsed by ESTES.

During the Emergency Surgery Section meeting in Milan, Dr. Kilic and Dr. Yanar proposed the possibility of developing a structured Course on Surgical Critical Care. To collect relevant information related to the real need and structure of the proposed course an online survey was designed by Dr. Kilic and can be found at <http://www.bilgitay.net/icu/>. The online Surgical Critical Care Survey aims to collect data on the variations in the current practices of surgical critical care and attitudes towards critical care among surgeons in Europe.

Another ambitious aim of the ESS is to start to develop ESTES clinical recommendations regarding some typical Emergency Surgery topics; the proposed strategy is to involve other scientific societies to be invited to future ESTES Congresses where a single topic could be discussed; recommendations could therefore be developed. This project is still in its infancy and further discussion is certainly needed.

A greater use of the society website is desirable and a “Tips & Tricks Page” and/or a “Case Report Page” with short video clips and/or slides could be developed, since it is a common feeling that also personal and anecdotal cases or experiences are useful and interesting but publications of these cases is often discouraged by editors due to the negative effect on the impact factor.

An improvement of the communication among the ESS Committee Members to develop and finalise such projects is absolutely necessary and a timetable of periodical VoIP meetings is being developed.

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Vice-Chair Emergency Surgery Section

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Announcements

The Emergency Surgery Course (ESTES – ESC)

The Emergency Surgery Course (**ESTES – ESC**), an initiative of the European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery (**ESTES**), aims to aid surgeons in *non-trauma emergency surgery* by providing the know-how, the techniques and the decision-making confidence necessary for daily practice. The animal lab is designed to improve the skills of the general surgeon to deal with surgical emergencies with ease. The course was planned and designed by Abe Fingerhut (France), Selman Uranues (Austria), Korhan Taviloglu (Turkey), Ari Leppaniemi (Finland), Eric Voiglio (France) and Fernando Turegano (Spain) and is supported by pioneers of emergency surgery worldwide in terms of the course syllabus and slides. The first official **ESTES – ESC** was held in Istanbul, Turkey on 27–29 March, 2011, with an international faculty from France, Finland, Spain and the USA. In addition to 29 national participants, 12 international participants attended from Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, the Netherlands, Romania, Qatar, Sweden and Ukraine.

Several **ESTES – ESC** courses are planned for 2012 and official applications from Brazil, Greece, Portugal, Qatar, Spain, Sweden and the United Arab Emirates are being evaluated. We welcome you to the second **ESTES – ESC** course to be held in Istanbul, Turkey from 27–29 November, 2011. The course language is English and the official website for the **ESTES – ESC** Istanbul is: www.escistanbul2011.org

Korhan Taviloglu

Course Director – President Elect for the European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery (**ESTES**)

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Visit the ESTES Session at the DKOU 2011!



Deutscher Kongress für Orthopädie und Unfallchirurgie

25th to 28th of October 2011

Berlin, Germany

Congress website: www.dkou.org

ESTES Session organized by I. Marzi:

Life Threatening Blunt Trauma, a European Perspective

Wednesday, October 26th 2011, 14:30 – 16:00

Chair: Rommens P. M., Frankfurt a. M., Germany

Thoracic Injuries

Leenen L., Utrecht, The Netherlands

Hepatic Trauma

Zago M., Milan, Italy

Splenic Trauma

Nijs S., Leuven, Belgium

Pancreato-Duodenal Injuries

Leppäniemi A., Hus, Finland

Pelvic Trauma

Rommens P. M., Mainz, Germany

Vascular Trauma

Schmitz-Rixen T., Frankfurt a. M., Germany

After this meeting, there will be an informal meeting of the attending members of ESTES at 16:30 to 18:00 in the Salon Columbus.

Topics: Current and future projects of ESTES and ESTES Sections

Chair: Prof. Marzi

Upcoming related congresses



Emergency Surgery Workshop Davos 2011

December 10, 2011

Davos, Switzerland

http://riskacademy.grforum.org/pages_new.php/Emergency-Surgery-Workshop-Davos-2011/713/1/635/

More congresses and courses to be found in the **ESTES events calendar** at www.estesonline.org

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