History:
SPC (Sociedade Portuguesa de Cirurgia or Portuguese Society of Surgery) has its headquarters in Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Its Chapter on Trauma (CT) is one of the groups in the field of trauma surgery education in Portugal represented in the Steering Committee for Emergency Surgery Education of Ordem dos Médicos (Portuguese Medical Association).

SPC-CT members where involved, since 1998, in several courses: ATLS® for doctors, TEAM® for students, ATCN® for nurses, DSTC™ for surgeons, DATC™ for anesthesiologists, DPNCT™ for operating room nurses and MRMI®, in Madeira Island, with ESTES Disaster and Military Surgery Section, for Civil Protection personnel, always with a strong international faculty.

Aims of the society in the field of trauma and emergency surgery:
Main objectives are investigation and teaching.
SPC-CT runs the ATLS program in Portugal since 1998 after a memorandum of understanding with the American College of Surgeons.

SPC-CT meeting frequency:
Once a year SPC organizes its National Congress, where CT takes part. Trauma and emergency surgery courses, as well as small meetings, on its own or in cooperation with other groups and institutions, are organized several times a year.

Official Publication Organ:
EJTES – European Journal of Trauma & Emergency Surgery
RPC – Revista Portuguesa de Cirurgia

Website:
http://spcir.com

SPC-CT Board Members 2012-2013:

Pedro Ramos – Funchal
Chair and National Delegate near ESTES
pedromcramos@yahoo.com

José Manuel Oliveira-Porto
zejo94@gmail.com

Carlos Mesquita – Coimbra
mesquita.carlos@sapo.pt