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## **Consult your pillow!**

The Frankfurt Convention Bureau has secured a large number of hotel rooms close to the congress venue and/or the city centre. Early hotel booking is highly recommended! You can conveniently book your hotel room upon online registration!

## **We look forward to welcoming you to the summit of Trauma Care in 2014 in Frankfurt!**

Sincerely,

ECTES 2014 & 2<sup>nd</sup> World Trauma Congress Organizing Team

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### Education Section Report

The chairman and the secretary of the Education Section had a meeting during the DITAC general assembly held in Stresa, Italy, October 7–10, 2013 where they discussed planning activities for the next period. The section's secretary Prof. Radko Komadina reported on a successful practical exercise which was performed in Slovenia on the CBRN scenario.

The further development of collaboration on disaster management education in Slovenia and Croatia was discussed and the importance of MRMI courses and the role of ESTES institutional societies were emphasised.

The national Croatian MRMI course was organised in Slavonski Brod, November 15–17, 2013 under the auspices of the Croatian Ministry of Health.



Picture: MRMI Course – Slavonski Brod, Croatia, November 15–17, 2013

The following dissemination activities of ESTES were provided:

- Symposium of Military and Crisis Medicine, December 6–7, 2013, Pozega, Croatia
- Regional Croatian TV stations: role of ESTES in education and training for disaster management
- Road Injury Prevention Seminar: June 15, 2013, Slavonski Brod, Croatia

The 4<sup>th</sup> MRMI course was organized in January 2014 at the Army Base Novo Mesto in co-operation of Slovenian and Croatian ESTES institutional societies.

Boris Hreckovski  
Chairman

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### Newsletter of the Visceral Trauma Section

Dear members of the ESTES Visceral Trauma Section,

Although the news was announced to all via email, we will again summarize the results for those choosing to be informed by the journal: In June 2013, after an open internet-informed election, Pal Aksel Naess was elected as the new vice-chair with 38 votes, and Louis Riddez is the new secretary of the section with 29 votes.

On Tuesday, August 27 during the meeting of the ISS at Helsinki, IATSIC's main session had the title "Trauma Systems Development: How to affect public policy". During this session representatives from all continents presented the status of the trauma system in their country. The conclusion was that with the exception of very few countries trauma management remains "on the dark side of the moon". Although there are various reasons for this, the fact is that severe trauma is not a profitable business for the market world. After discussion, Davis Waters from Australia introduced the idea of asking the United Nations (UN) to include Trauma Management in their future Sustainable Developmental Goals (SDG). It was decided that this goal should be pursued, hoping that this action, as has happened with other UN actions in the past, might influence local governments in a way that they prioritize trauma management.

The initiators David Waters, (Australia), Pantelis Vassiliu (Greece), Charles Mock (USA), and Manjul Joshipura (India) so far have been developing the following actions/suggestions:

- Internet petition: On the website [http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/trauma\\_care/](http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/trauma_care/) you can vote to support as an individual or as society, organization, university, clinic, etc.
- Invitation to members of the international trauma care community to
  - Write a letter to local government authorities in countries involved with SDG. A draft of this letter is available from the ESTES office or P. Vassiliu ([pant\\_greek@hotmail.com](mailto:pant_greek@hotmail.com))
  - Talk directly to government authorities, either as a member of the international trauma community or as a citizen of your country.
  - Send a letter to the UN ambassador of your country.

We request the active support of all our members to this strategic goal. Efforts should be intensified by the end of 2014 as this is the time that SDG's for the next decade will be finalized.

In September, the Visceral Trauma Section launched the "Initiative to disseminate trauma courses around the globe" online (webpage address can be requested from the ESTES office).

The idea is to develop a self-managed platform where demand and need for trauma hands-on courses will be covered. Achievements so far:

- 27 volunteer instructors.
- We realized details about trauma courses in Portugal and Spain, countries which we shared and received feedback on information acquired from the initiative.
- We found that the Care of the Critical Ill Surgical Patient Course (CCriSP) has been offered in the UK since 1996 (by Iain Anderson and associates). This seems extremely useful to our practitioners.

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### Members input

We received the following news from our section members:

Professor B. Schnüringer informed us about the "3rd Annual Swiss Trauma & Resuscitation (STRD) 2014", which will be held at Berne University Hospital, Switzerland on February 28, 2014. More information is available at <http://www.swiss-trauma.ch>.

Dr. Carlos Mesquita informed us on a very successful meeting held in Coimbra from November 9–16, 2013. See his report on the first Ibero-Afro-American Meeting on Trauma and Emergency Surgery (RIAATCE) on the next page.

Alison Cherie, BJS managing editor, informed us on a special issue devoted on Emergency Surgery published by BJS by mid December. There is free access to this issue on the BJS website: [www.bjs.co.uk](http://www.bjs.co.uk)

After ten years of cooperation with the Greek ATLS society, Cyprus ATLS is an independent organization since November 2013. During their visit to the island the European ATLS authorities (Profs. I.B. Schipper and C.F. Larsen) evaluated the Cypriot ATLS effort with "flying colors".

Best wishes

Pantelis, Pal, Louis

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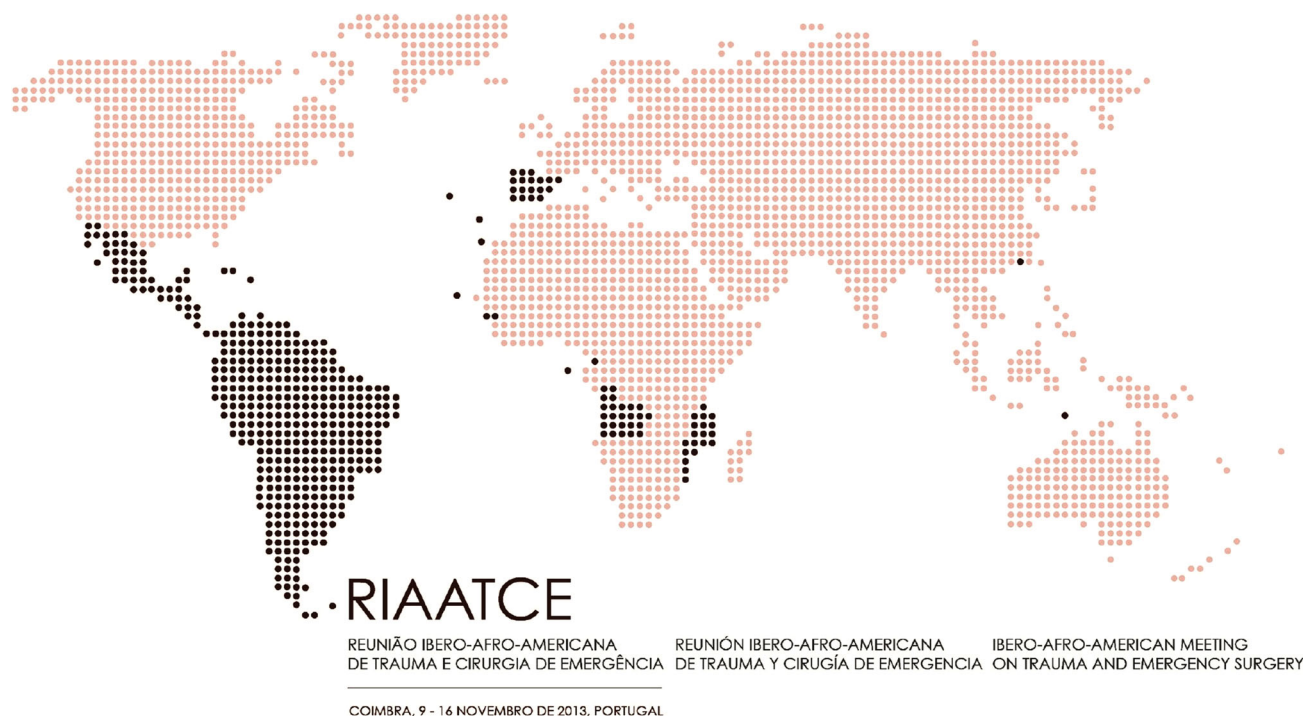
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### First Ibero-Afro-American Meeting on Trauma and Emergency Surgery (RIAATCE)

In close cooperation with the Portuguese Surgical Society (SPC) and OM, ALTEC-LATES organized the first Ibero-Afro-American Meeting on Trauma and Emergency Surgery (RIAATCE) in Coimbra from November 9–16, 2013. RIAATCE had as a target the essential trauma and emergency surgery care for more than 600 million people, an important part of them living in the Portuguese- or Spanish-speaking countries of South America.

Many colleagues outside of Portugal expressed their support for RIAATCE and many of them came to Coimbra, either on their own or on behalf of national and international entities such as the Spanish Surgical Association, the Donegal Clinical Research Academy from Ireland, the Brazilian Trauma Society, the European Association for Trauma and Emergency Surgery, the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, the Panamerican Trauma Society, the International Association for Trauma Surgery and Intensive Care and the World Coalition for Trauma Care, including:

- From Argentina: Jorge Sproviero and Ernesto Donnelly (Buenos Aires)
- From Austria: Selman Uranues (Graz)
- From Brazil: Sandro Scarpelini, Dino Motta, Gerson Alves, Adriano Brunetti and Maurício Godinho (Ribeirão Preto), Tercio de Campos (São Paulo), Gustavo Fraga (Campinas) and Rogerio Schneider (Porto Alegre)
- From Chile: Carlos Pilasi Menichetti (Santiago)

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- From Ireland: Michael Sugrue (Donegal)
- From Italy: Andrea Casamassima, Diego Mariani, Mauro Zago and Pietro Padalino (Milan)
- From Paraguay: Gustavo Machain (Asuncion)
- From Spain: Fernando Turégano and Francisca Garcia-Moreno (Madrid), Salvador Navarro (Barcelona), Juan Carlos Rumbero (Bilbao), Daniel Casanova (Santander), David Costa and Isidro Martinez (Alicante) and Fernando Carbonell Tatay (Valência)
- From Sweden: Sten Lennquist (Linköping), Carl Montán and Kristina Lennquist Montán (Stockholm) and Per Örtengren (Gothenburg)
- From the United Kingdom: Bob Dobson and Mark Loades (London)
- From the United States of America: Raul Coimbra (San Diego), Mauricio Lynn (Miami), Juan Carlos Puyana (Pittsburgh) and Rifat Latifi (Tucson).
- From Uruguay: Julio Trostchanky and Fernando Machado (Montevideo)

There were 250 registered delegates at the meeting, most of whom were students, interns and residents. They attended a set of 12 modules, courses and symposia, spread over seven days, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The courses and symposiums from three fields: (1) Trauma, Pre-hospital and Disaster, (2) Emergency Surgery, and (3) Emergency Medicine, which included the following:

- Trauma Evaluation And Management Course (TEAM), Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS), Modular Ultrasound Estes Course (MUSEC) and Medical Response to Major Injuries Course (MRMI);
- Definitive Surgical Trauma Care Course (DSTC), Definitive Anaesthetic Trauma Care Course (DATC), Definitive Perioperative Nurse Trauma Care Course (DPNTC), Abdominal Wall Reconstruction Course (AWR), Emergency Abdominal Surgery Course (EASC) and Trauma & Emergency Surgery Talks & Fellowship Models
- Emergency Medicine Talks & Fellowship Models
- "19 to 20 Before Dinner Sessions", from Sunday the 10th to Friday the 15th

The various papers and communications are accessible at the ALTEC-LATES website (<http://altec-lates.pt>).

In organizational terms, as an indicator for future planning, the meeting had a budget of about 50,000, two thirds of which was related to travel and accommodation expenses of foreign guests. Industry support was almost non-existent (less than 2,000). This was huge effort for a small organization like ALTEC-LATES, but very important as a way of putting Coimbra and Portugal at the center of focus of international organizations in the field of trauma and emergency medicine and surgery. Our thanks to all who contributed to the success of RIAATCE.

Carlos Mesquita

General & Emergency Surgeon at Coimbra Central and University Hospital

President of ALTEC-LATES (<http://altec-lates.pt>)

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### MUSEC advances with ADVANCED



Another ESTES US Course (MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course), the fourth after the ECTES Congress in Lyon last May, was organized in Milan from December 13–14, 2013.

Miriam Ruessler, Luis Pinheiro, Rodrigues Silva, Jorge Pereira and Isidro Martinez Casas joined Andrea Casamassima, Diego Mariani and Mauro Zago for this course, which was the first to include two advanced modules: Interventional US and Visceral US in Acute Settings.

In all, 18 people attended the two basic modules, while 14 attended the advanced modules. All had the opportunity to discuss real clinical cases and to practice US on healthy models and originally built phantoms for the diagnosis of visceral acute problems (bowel obstruction, acute appendicitis, IBD), assessment of pleural effusions and pneumothorax, practicing echo-guided thoracentesis, peritoneal aspiration, venous cannulation, abscess drainage.

Apart from the already planned course in Lugano (January 11), MUSEC will also be offered at ECTES in Frankfurt in 2014 with basic and advanced modules. Other courses in Spain, Portugal, Romania, and Italy will be announced soon.

The contents of each module are detailed below.

Info (for registration and request of new courses):

- [musec@thesoundofthebody.it](mailto:musec@thesoundofthebody.it)
- [www.estesonline.org](http://www.estesonline.org)

We are looking forward to meeting you in one of the forthcoming courses!

Remember that ESTES individual and institutional members have the right to reduced fee registration.

The MUSEC Steering Group

*Eva Barbosa (Portugal), Andrea Casamassima (Italy), Fawzi Al-Ayoubi (Sweden), Fernando Ferreira (Portugal), Diego Mariani (Italy), Isidro Martinez Casas (Spain), Jorge Pereira (Portugal), Luis Pinheiro (Portugal), Miriam Ruessler (Germany), Rodrigues Silva (Portugal), Mauro Zago (Italy)*

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### Contents of Modules

#### Basic Modules

##### 1\* EFAST module

*Essential of US in Trauma, the easiest way to approach US*

- FAST and EFAST protocols
- free fluid in abdomen, thorax, pericardium
- basic lung US

##### 2\* Diagnostic US in emergency department

*Common problems and syndromes that require a quick assessment*

- Aorta
- Gallbladder and biliary tree
- Kidney and urinary tract
- DVT (CUS)
- Fractures
- Soft tissue infections and collections

#### Advanced Modules

##### 3§ US and shock

*Discovering the extraordinary help US can give you for managing shock*

- basic echocardiography for dummies (and surgeons)
- IVC
- lung US
- US monitoring of resuscitation
- the Rush protocol
- surgical and nonsurgical case scenarios

##### 4§ Interventional US

Interventional US-guided maneuvers in the acute patient

Practice on phantoms

- venous cannulation (central and peripheral)
- thoracentesis
- diagnostic peritoneal aspiration (DPA)
- cholecystostomy
- suprapubic cystostomy
- abscesses and collections drainage
- monitoring of pneumothorax aspiration

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### 5§ Advanced visceral US in acute abdomen

*Acquiring confidence in hollow viscus US for many acute conditions*

*US driven protocols*

*Practice on healthy models and phantoms*

- appendicitis
- diverticulitis
- bowel obstruction
- hernias
- bowel ischemia
- IBD
- contrast-enhanced US (CEUS) in abdominal emergencies (trauma & non-trauma)



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### Announcements

#### Upcoming related congresses & courses

##### **3rd Annual Swiss Trauma & Resuscitation Day 2014**

Berne, Switzerland

February 28, 2014

Information. <http://www.swiss-trauma.ch>

##### **Acute Care Surgery Course on Visceral & Gastrointestinal Emergencies**

Graz, Austria

March 17–18, 2014

Information and registration: [i.prassl@medunigraz.at](mailto:i.prassl@medunigraz.at)

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