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## Message from the Secretary General

Dear Colleagues and Friends!

I hope that the old year ended smoothly for all of you; and that the New Year may start with happiness and health. I wish you all success in your personal and professional projects throughout the year 2016!

For ESTES a year of milestones comes to an end. A year, in which its number of institutional and individual members grew again, in which the new bylaws were approved, in which ECTES Amsterdam was very successful, and in which our official publication, the European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery, was indexed in PubMed.

Another milestone achievement is the elaboration of the ESTES guidelines for hip fractures and for acute mesenteric ischemia, which will be published in our European Journal in the course of the year.

Since the beginning of the past year, the emergency surgery section and its chairman Dr. Jonathan Tilsed were very involved in the new UEMS working group for emergency surgery, which became a board later in the year. Emergency Surgery will become a “transferable competence” under the umbrella of the UEMS Board of Surgery. For the first time, a European Board Exam for Qualification in Emergency Surgery will be organized alongside the ECTES meeting in Vienna next April.

The European Board Exam for Qualification in Trauma Surgery has been in existence since 1999. It is traditionally organized alongside the annual meeting of the German Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology in Berlin. For the first time, this exam will also be organized alongside the ECTES meeting.

This is another milestone for ESTES: colleagues and younger surgeons from throughout Europe will be able to be qualified as European specialists in “Trauma Surgery” or in “Emergency Surgery” at the annual meeting of our Society, which stands for optimal care in these two surgical fields.

The executive board therefore took another initiative for those candidates, who will subscribe for the exam. Under the name “Fit for Europe”, a preparatory day for all possible candidates of the EBSQTrauma exam will be offered. This crash course will help the exam candidates to refresh their knowledge in traumatology. In addition, residents and specialists, who are not applying for the exam, are welcome to attend the course. As we want to develop such a preparatory day as a real ESTES reference for preparing the exam, we invited ESTES members, who are opinion leaders in the trauma field to contribute to the training day with a state-of-the-art conference. The day is structured in eight lectures of 45 min with 15 min of questions and answers. There will be four lectures in the morning and four in the afternoon. Thoracic trauma (25 min) and traumatic brain injury (20 minutes) are combined into one 45-min lecture. May I friendly ask you to distribute this information to the colleagues of your hospital and the society of your country? The provisional program of the “Fit for Europe” day is as follows:

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### Fit for Europe: Training day at ECTES for candidates of EBSQTrauma Sunday April 24, 2015 at ECTES in Vienna

Time	Subject	Speaker
08.00	Introduction	Rommens, ESTES
09.10	The polytrauma patient	Wanner, Zürich, CH
09.10	Craniocerebral trauma	NN, Vienna, A
09.40	Thoracic trauma	Leenen, Utecht, NL
10.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10.45	Abdominal trauma	Nijs, Leuven, B
11.45	Spine	Josten, Leipzig, D
12.45	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.45	Pelvis–cetabulum	Hessmann, Fulda, D
14.45	Upper extremity	Plecko, Graz, A
15.45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.15	Lower extremity	Wendt, Groningen, NL
17.15	Children	Marzi, Frankfurt, D

Dear colleagues and friends,

ESTES is growing steadily in number and significance. May I ask and encourage you to continuously support the initiatives of ESTES by taking part in its projects, promoting them to younger colleagues and non-ESTES members, attending the ECTES meetings and submitting your scientific work to our journal. Together with my colleagues of the executive board, I look forward to yet another successful ESTES year!

Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. Pol M. Rommens  
ESTES Secretary General

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*\* Please note that the day of payment is decisive for the registration fee, not the day of registration.*

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Individual Member ESTES	EUR 370
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Member ESTES Resident	EUR 180
Non-Member	EUR 475
Non-Member Resident	EUR 265
Nursing Staff	EUR 180
Student	EUR 90
Day Ticket (only 1 day)	EUR 225

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### Already booked your accommodation in Vienna?

Choose from a wide range of well-situated hotels that have been contracted especially for you as an ECTES 2016 participant. We offer you best-priced rooms between **EUR 80 to EUR 240** per night for single rooms, including breakfast. The allotments are limited and will be handled on a “first come, first served” basis. For detailed hotel information, please visit [www.estesonline.org/hotel](http://www.estesonline.org/hotel).

### A scientific program tailored to your needs!

Besides scientific sessions, the program will also feature satellite symposia and precourses. For a preliminary impression of what ECTES 2016 in Vienna has to offer, please take a look here [www.estesonline.org/scientific-programme](http://www.estesonline.org/scientific-programme).

**We look forward to welcoming you to the 17<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Trauma & Emergency Surgery from April 24– 26, 2016 in Vienna!**

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### European Board of Surgery Qualification in Emergency Surgery

The European Board of Surgery Qualification (EBSQ) in Emergency Surgery awarded by the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) is a 2-stage quality validation process leading to the award of the title "Fellow of the European Board of Surgery in Emergency Surgery – F.E.B.S./EmSurg".

The validation process consists of an Eligibility assessment and an Examination. The Eligibility assessment is based on the candidate's operative experience, publications, and participation in national or international meetings. The Examination is designed to test the candidate's knowledge and consists of a 3-hour multiple choice test (MCQ) and an objective structured clinical assessment (OSCE). The cost of applying for the EBSQ in Emergency Surgery is €700.

Full details of the examination, syllabus, eligibility requirements, and application process can be found on the Emergency Surgery pages of the UEMS Website [<http://www.uemssurg.org/divisions/emergency-surgery>].

The first examination for this qualification will take place on **Friday, April 22, 2016** in Vienna in conjunction with the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress of the European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery.

The closing date for applications is March 18, 2016.

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### EMERGENCY SURGERY COURSE (ESC)

March 21–22, 2016



**Society for Research and Training in Trauma Surgery**

*in co-operation with*

**European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery (ESTES) &  
International Association for the Surgery of Trauma and Surgical Intensive Care (IATSIC)**

This workshop is designed to provide state-of-the-art information on the diagnosis and management of severely ill patients who present with nontraumatic visceral and gastrointestinal emergencies. The course emphasizes direct involvement of the trainees in the problem-oriented theory and hands-on lab sessions. Upon completion of the course, attendees will be well equipped to deal with these patients when they present to the emergency room.

**Course director:** Prof. Dr. S. Uranues

**Course language:** English

**Course location:** Department of Surgery, Section for Surgical Research,  
Auenbruggerplatz 29, 8036 Graz, Austria

**Registration fee:** € 600, for members of ESTES and EAES € 550

**Registration:** [i.prassl@medunigraz.at](mailto:i.prassl@medunigraz.at)  
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**Information:** <http://www.chirurgischeforschung.at/de/emergency-surgery.html>

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### Announcements

#### Upcoming related congresses & courses

**MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course**

Galdakano, Spain

March 5, 2016

[www.thesoundofthebody.org](http://www.thesoundofthebody.org)

**MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course**

Florence, Italy

March 11–12, 2016

[www.thesoundofthebody.org](http://www.thesoundofthebody.org)

**MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course**

Vienna, Austria

April 22–23, 2016

[www.thesoundofthebody.org](http://www.thesoundofthebody.org)

**European Board of Surgery Qualification (EBSQ) in Emergency Surgery**

Vienna, Austria

April 22, 2016

[www.uemssurg.org/divisions/emergency-surgery](http://www.uemssurg.org/divisions/emergency-surgery)

**MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course**

Dublin, Ireland

May 14, 2016

[www.thesoundofthebody.org](http://www.thesoundofthebody.org)

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More congresses and courses to be found in the **ESTES events calendar at**

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