ESP History of Pathology WG

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2nd International Meeting on History of Medicine and Pathology

In June, Gaetano Thiene, Jan G van den Tweel and Fabio Zampieri organized the “International Meeting on History of Medicine and Pathology” in Padua (Italy) on behalf of the Working Group History of Pathology of the ESP and the Department of Cardiac, Thoracic and Vascular Sciences of the University of Padua (Italy). The meeting was preceded by the symposium “500 Years from Andreas Vesalius” and brought together speakers from India to the Americas. One of the over-all most stimulating features was the abundance of residents among the attendees, a promising trend that was undoubtedly favoured by the generous bursaries granted by the University of Padua.

27th European Congress of Pathology

Gaetano Thiene succeeded in producing a high-quality program for the European Congress of Pathology in Belgrade (Serbia), with the organization of a symposium and business meeting. The Symposium entitled “History of Cardiovascular Diseases” was chaired jointly by Jan G. Van den Tweel (The Netherlands) and Gaetano Thiene (Italy). The speakers (Fabio Zampieri, Italy; Vsevolod Zinserling, Russia; Vladimir Kanjuh, Serbia; Ulrik Baandrup, Denmark; Mary Sheppard, United Kingdom; Margaret Burke, United Kingdom) focused on the main clinic-pathological points, beginning with the discoveries of Giovanni Battista Morgagni in his masterpiece De Sedibus, to then illustrate the escalation of cardiovascular pathology throughout the centuries, from congenital diseases to degenerative conditions and ischaemic processes. The poster and oral presentation sessions again provided a wealth of fascinating topics, including descriptions of our academic pathological heritage, a field of particular interest and close to the heart of the Chair of this group. As is the tradition, during this session the Chair of the WG gave a short summary of the activities of the group. Gabriella Nesi (Italy) was appointed President of the WG for the next four years. It was decided to hold the 3rd WG meeting in Saint Petersburg mid-June 2016, with Vsevolod A. Zinserling (Saint Petersburg State University) as the local organizer.

Forthcoming Events

In June 2016, Saint Petersburg State University will host the 3rd International Meeting on History of Pathology.
In September 2016, History of Pathology sessions for the joint Congress ESP/IAP in Cologne.

Thank you for reading this short document, please feel free to contact me regarding any questions.

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