Dear colleagues and friends,

It is my great honour and pleasure to invite you, on behalf of the Congress Organizing Committee, to participate at the 7th Croatian Congress of Laboratory Diagnostics with international participation, to be held in Porec, Croatia, September 27 – October 1, 2017.

Our profession plays a vital role in the diagnosis, care and treatment of patients, in monitoring, development of new tests and in surveillance of diseases of public health importance. The theme for the 7th Congress: “Laboratory and Clinical Medicine – Theory, Innovations and Practice” is therefore highly relevant and important.

Congress is multidisciplinary, designed as a bridge between scientists and experts of different specialities (BLSs, Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists, Medical Scientists, Clinical Pathologists, Cytologists, Microbiologists, Molecular Biologists, Medical Doctors, Nurses, Researchers, as well as Laboratory Suppliers from all fields of Laboratory Medicine and Technology).

The Congress will be organized in plenary sessions, symposia, oral presentations and poster sections, workshops and coordinated discussions, which will be great opportunity for all participants to exchange information related to scientific research, new ideas and technologies and their implementation in science or everyday diagnostic/clinical practice. We hope that the selected topics and active participation of renowned national and international experts will be sufficient invitation for all participants.

It is our wish to use part of the time for pleasant contacts during the Congress and for sightseeing.

Istria offers a wealth of amazing historical sites surrounded by untouched nature. The ancient town of Porec, one of Croatia’s most popular tourist destinations, is located on the western coast of the Istrian peninsula. Its attractive historic centre features the most distinctive monument of Early Byzantine art in the Mediterranean area: the 6th-century Euphrasian Basilica, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the most impressive sacral buildings on the Adriatic coast.

Finally, allow me to invite you to our beautiful country, to join us on Congress, to actively participate, meet other colleagues, share your knowledge and experience and create social and professional networks and friendship.

Looking forward to seeing you in Porec, Croatia!

Mirjana Stupnisek
Assistant professor, PhD, MLT
Congress Organizing Committee President

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INFORMATION

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THEME

Highlights:
"Laboratory and Clinical Medicine - Theory, Innovations and Practice"

CONGRESS TOPICS:

1. Education, Management, CPD, BLSs Mobility
2. Quality Control and Quality Assurance
3. Haematology, Coagulation
4. Microbiology, Parasitology, Virology, Antibiotic Resistance
5. Infectious Diseases, Blood-borne Diseases, STD
6. Biosafety, Biosecurity, Patient Safety, Nosocomial Infections
7. Molecular Biology, Forensic Medicine, Genetics
8. Cytology, Histology, Pathology
9. Immunology, Immunohaematology, Blood Bank
10. Clinical Chemistry, Toxicology
12. Personalized Medicine
13. Evidence Based Medicine
14. Experimental Methods in Biomedical Research
15. Free topics

CALL FOR PAPERS:

Participants are invited to submit abstracts for presentation via e-mail: kongres2017hlu@gmail.com

Abstract received by June 15, 2017 will be considered under the standard review process.

All papers should be submitted and presented in English or Croatian.

Authors will be notified of the acceptance of their contribution by June 25, 2017.
GENERAL INFORMATIONS

Congress venue:
Valamar Diamant Hotel Porec 4*
Brulo 1, HR-52440 Porec, Croatia

Official languages:
- Croatian
- English

*Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

Types of presentation:
- Invited lectures 30 min
- Oral presentation 10 min
- Poster presentation 5 min

CONGRESS (REGISTRATION) FEES:

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Registration fees are necessary and are obligates for all participants.

Registration fee (CLA/HLU members and Other participants) includes: admittance to all congress sessions and exhibition; congress materials (Final programme and Abstract book); congress bag; certificate of attendance; coffee breaks; social events, opening and closing ceremony.

* Registration fee (Accompanying persons) includes: social events, opening and closing ceremony.

Students interested in attending the congress should first report to the Congress Secretariat.

You can get further information on the congress website:

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