

"The Euro-Asian Bridge Society"



12th International Meeting on Cardiac Surgery



Scientific Program

April 15 - 17, 2016

Phoenicia Hotel - Beirut, Lebanon

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Message from the Chancellor



Dear colleagues,

The creation of The Euro-Asian Bridge Society was inspired almost twelve years ago, when the Founder and Chancellor of the Society, Dr. Sotirios Prapas and the Vice Chancellor Dr. Belhan Akpinar decided to create a link between Greece and Turkey, exchanging visits and surgical experience.

A few months later, this link was also established between Greece and F.Y.R.O.M., with the beginning of a fruitful cooperation from Dr. S. Prapas and Dr. Zane Mitrev.

In 2004, the idea of creating a strong connection between Cardiac Surgeons from the area of South-Eastern Europe and Middle East became a reality. Today, globally recognized Cardiac Surgeons from 23 countries participate in the Society.

During the steering committee meeting in Montenegro last April, we have decided to organize the 12th annual meeting of EAB, in Beirut, Lebanon, on April 2016. According to the rules of our society the scientific chairman of this meeting, Dr. Georges Tedy, will be the President of the society from May 2015 to May 2016.

We have decided to make efforts to expand the Society including new members as representatives of various countries, with the will to contribute to EAB Society and to organize sessions along with Cardiologists who would attend our annual meetings.

I believe that Dr. Tedy has put a great effort for a memorable scientific event and I hope you will all enjoy.

Sotirios Prapas

Chancellor & Founder of the Euro-Asian Bridge Society



Message from the President



Dear colleagues,

For the first time since it was created in 2004, the Euro-Asian Bridge Society of Cardiac Surgeons will hold its 12th Annual Meeting in Beirut, the capital of Lebanon.

The congress provides a European, Asian and worldwide exchange of ideas, research and approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular diseases.

The scientific program includes the traditional plenary session of adult and congenital cardiac surgery, as well as symposia, free paper sessions, scientific films and technical exhibits.

For the first time, we will open our meeting to our friends, the cardiologists so as to share with them experiences in the same field.

Besides the scientific meeting, a social program for the participants and spouses will give them the opportunity to discover Lebanon with the abundance of its archeological sites, medieval cities, excellent gastronomy and extraordinary nightlife.

I am certain that during this event Lebanon will charm you and prove that it is able to provide the "Quality by Friendship".

Georges Tedy

President of the Euro-Asian Bridge Society



Message from the Lebanese Minister of Public Health



We are pleased with the decision of the Euro Asian Bridge Society to convene its 12th International Meeting on Cardiac Surgery in Lebanon, specially that our country is directly affected by the extremely dangerous events that prevail in the region, leaving their implications on all the sectors in Lebanon.

As you are aware, Lebanon has an advanced health sector, starting with Healthcare and ending with Hospital Services, with the most advanced Cardiovascular Surgical Techniques.

Thus, we consider this conference as an important platform for the exchange of information expertise and cultures.

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude and appreciation to the president of the Association, Dr. Georges Tedy and all the members. I also wish you further success in your good endeavors.

I welcome all of you in Lebanon.

Minister of Public Health
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Wael Abou Faour





Message from the Ambassador of Turkey to Lebanon



Dear Participants,

At the outset, allow me to thank Dr. George Teddy for giving me this unique opportunity to say a few words to you. I am truly privileged and honored.

However, I must admit that it is not an easy task, if not impossible for an Ambassador to address such a distinguished group of physicians. So I hope you will bear with me if I become unscientific or push my limits in relating myself to the topic.

Let me try by arguing that medicine and diplomacy are neither strange nor recent partners.

We all know that ancient kings employed their physicians as ambassadors of good will in the past. And in today's world, diplomacy goes beyond its traditional boundaries by encompassing new concepts such as "health" or "medical" diplomacy. So we can consider medicine now among others, as a tool for peace and cooperation in international relations.

Therefore, I couldn't think of another initiative than "The Euro Asian Bridge Society" as a great and unique example of medical diplomacy.

Thanks to Dr. Belhan Akpınar from Turkey and Dr. Sotirios Prapas from Greece for establishing this society 12 years ago. It now brings together globally renowned heart surgeons and cardiologists from 23 countries. So I consider you as my colleagues, as goodwill ambassadors of your countries. As such your annual gatherings are also a reminder to your governments of the need for more international cooperation and coordination for the greater good of humanity. Especially at a time we face increasing conflicts and humanitarian tragedies in our region.

With these thoughts, I wish you a most fruitful meeting with interesting and stimulating discussions and exchange of knowledge so that you can, together, envisage the future of a better and healthy world.

Çağatay Erciyes

Ambassador of Turkey to Lebanon



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1st Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Sotirios Prapas**
Athens, Greece



2nd Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Sotirios Prapas**
Mykonos, Greece



3rd Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Belhan Akpinar**
Istanbul, Turkey



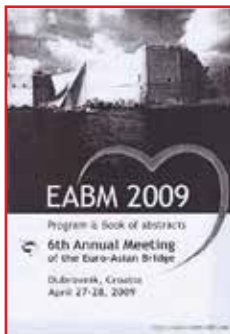
4th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Hani Najm**
Dubai, U.A.E



5th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Sotirios Prapas**
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6th Annual Meeting

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Dubrovnik, Croatia



7th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Borut Gersak**
Portoroz, Slovenia



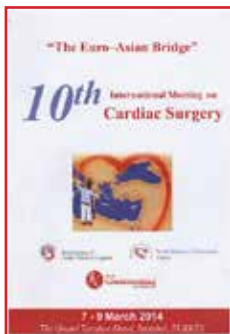
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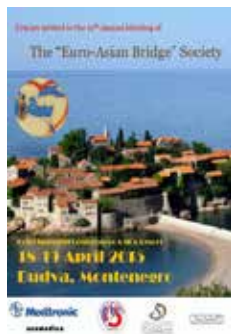
9th Annual Meeting

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Pravets, Bulgaria



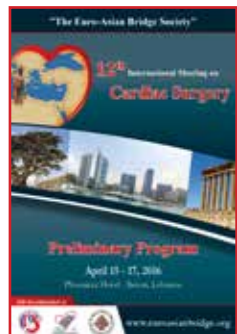
10th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Belhan Akpinar**
Istanbul, Turkey



11th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Aleksandar Nikolic**
Budava, Montenegro



12th Annual Meeting

Chairman: **Georges Tedy**
Beirut, Lebanon



Scientific Program - Table at a Glance

Friday 15 April, 2016

15:00 - 18:00	Registration	Phoenicia Hotel (GF)
19:00 - 20:00	Opening Ceremony (followed by a Cocktail Reception & Exhibition Visit)	Byblos Hall (GF)
20:00	Visit to Beirut Historic Down Town	

Saturday 16 April, 2016

08:00	Registration	Phoenicia Hotel (GF)
09:00 - 10:40	Mitral Valve Repair - Replacement	Byblos Hall (GF)
10:40 - 11:00	Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit	Sidon Hall (GF)
11:00 - 13:30	Surgery of the Congestive Heart Failure	Byblos Hall (GF)
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch & AstraZeneca Symposium	Sidon Hall (GF)
14:30 - 15:30	Update On Ischemic Heart Disease	Byblos Hall (GF)
15:30 - 15:50	Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit	Sidon Hall (GF)
15:50 - 18:30	Surgery Of The Aorta	Byblos Hall (GF)
18:30 - 19:30	Business Session of the Euro Asian Bridge Society of Cardiac Surgery (Delegates Only)	Byblos Hall (GF)
21:00 - 24:00	Presidential Dinner - Ticket Required (Departure of the Shuttles from Phoenicia Hotel at 20:30)	Villa Sursock

Sunday 17 April, 2016

09:00 - 11:00	Adult Surgery	Byblos Hall (GF)
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit	Sidon Hall (GF)
11:15 - 13:45	Miscellaneous	Byblos Hall (GF)
13:45	Adjourn	



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Address of the Lebanese Minister of Public Health

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08:00 **Registration** Phoenicia Hotel (GF)

09:00 - 10:40 **I - Mitral Valve Repair - Replacement** Byblos Hall (GF)
(20 minutes presentation)

Moderators: **G. Khoury**, Belgium - **A. Calafiore**, Saudi Arabia - **B. Asmar**, Lebanon

09:00 - 09:20 Current Management of Ischemic Mitral Regurgitation **A. Calafiore**, Saudi Arabia

09:20 - 09:40 The U Technique in Mitral Valve Repair. Technical Aspects **S. Prapas**, Greece

09:40 - 10:00 The Early and Mid-Term Results of Mitral Valve Repair Surgery **A. Refatllari**, Albania

10:00 - 10:20 Minimally Invasive Mitral Valve Surgery **B. Akpinar**, Turkey

10:20 - 10:40 The Mitra Clip: Indications and Complications **G. Ghanem**, Lebanon

10:40 - 11:00 **Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit** Sidon Hall (GF)

11:00 - 13:30 **II - Surgery of the Congestive Heart Failure** Byblos Hall (GF)
(20 minutes presentation)

Moderators: **P. Le Prince**, France - **M. Turina**, Switzerland - **G. Tedy**, Lebanon

11:00 - 11:20 Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy: Failure of Response **M. Refaat**, Lebanon

11:20 - 11:40 Prevention of Sudden Death in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy **P. Charron**, France

11:40 - 12:00 Longterm Outcome After Echo-Guided Septal Alcoholisation for HOCM **Y. Louvard**, France

12:00 - 12:20 Left Ventricular Surgical Remodeling After the STICH Trial **A. Calafiore**, Saudi Arabia

12:20 - 12:40 Mechanical Circulatory Support - The Courage to Fail Revisited **B. Biocina**, Croatia

12:40 - 13:00 Heart Failure Ultimate Surgical Treatment: Transplantation and LVAD **P. Le Prince**, France

13:00 - 13:20 The Place of Levosimendan in Low Cardiac Output Patients in Cardiac Surgery **G. Landoni**, Italy

13:20 - 13:30 Discussion

13:30 - 14:30 **Lunch and AstraZeneca Symposium** Byblos Hall (GF)

Moderator: **G. Tinica**, Romania

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Saturday 16 April, 2016

14:30 - 15:30	III - Update On Ischemic Heart Disease (20 minutes presentation)	Byblos Hall (GF)
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Moderators: **B. Akpinar**, Turkey - **Y. Louvard**, France - **G. Badaoui**, Lebanon

14:30 - 14:50	Cardiac CT Scan. Indication and Application in 2016 PCI and CABG in the Treatment of the Triple Vessel Disease and the Left Main Stenosis, Evidence Base in 2016	C. Thome , Lebanon
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14:50 - 15:10	The Cardiologist View	Y. Louvard , France
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15:10 - 15:30	The Surgeon View	M. Turina , Switzerland
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15:30 - 15:50	Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit	Sidon Hall (GF)
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15:50 - 18:30	IV - Surgery Of The Aorta (20 minutes presentation)	Byblos Hall (GF)
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Moderators: **J. Bachet**, France - **S. Prapas**, Greece - **F. Farhat**, France

15:50 - 16:10	Surgery of Ascending Aorta Aneurysms: 10 Years Experience in Cyprus	G. Kaoutzanis , Cyprus
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16:10 - 16:30	Surgical Correction of Aortic Regurgitation Associated with Aortic Aneurysms by the Relocation of the Aortic Valve Annular Plane	G. Tinica , Romania
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16:30 - 16:50	Valve Sparing Aortic Root Replacement: Remodelling or Reimplantation DAVID or YAACOUB?	F. Farhat , France
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16:50 - 17:10	Aortic Valve Repair, Evidence Base in 2016	G. El Khoury , Belgium
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17:10 - 17:30	Off Pump Repair in Acute Type A Aortic Dissection	R. Ramadan , France
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17:30 - 17:50	Acute Type A Dissection in Pregnancy	P. Milojevic , Serbia
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17:50 - 18:10	Aortic Arch Surgery: Conventional Replacement or Hybrid Repair and the Cannulation Debate	J. Bachet , France
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18:10 - 18:30	Endovascular Treatment of the Descending Aorta: Indications and Complications	T. Kratimenos , Greece
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Sunday 17 April, 2016

09:00 - 11:00 **V - Adult Surgery**

(15 minutes presentation)

Byblos Hall (GF)

Moderators: **R. Ramadan**, France - **P. Milojevic**, Serbia - **H. Farhan**, Iraq

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| 09:00 - 09:15 | Surgery of the Hydatid Cyst of the Heart, the Tunisian Experience | I. Frikha , Tunisia |
| 09:15 - 09:30 | Skeletonized Iternal Thoracic Arteries and Potential Advantages | K. Tsakiridis , Greece |
| 09:30 - 09:45 | Diabetic Multi Vessel Coronary Artery Disease.
Is it Still Surgical Entity ? | M. Zikri , Egypt |
| 09:45 - 10:00 | The Results of Coronary Artery Surgery in Albania,
A Mediterranean Country | A. Kacani , Albania |
| 10:00 - 10:15 | Should We Consider the Pulmonary Hypertension as a Risk
Factor in CABG Patients ? | G. Drosos , Greece |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Assessment the Clinical and Paraclinical Effects of Enhanced
external Counter Pulsation Therapy in Patients with Coronary
Artery Disease | S. Tabary , Iran |
| 10:30 - 10:45 | Aortic Annulus Enlargement: Early and Longterms Results | S. Dumani , Albania |
| 10:45 - 11:00 | AVR With Simplified Anterior Annular Enlargement Without
Aortoventriculoplasty | F. Safadi , U.A.E. |

11:00 - 11:15 **Coffee Break and Exhibit Visit**

Sidon Hall (GF)

11:15 - 13:45 **VI - Miscellaneous**

(15 minutes presentation)

Byblos Hall (GF)

Moderators: **A. Refatllari**, Albania - **F. Izaoui**, Iraq - **B. Biocina**, Croatia

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| 11:15 - 11:30 | Extra-Anatomical Bypass for Aortic Coarctation Repair Via
Sternotomy - Mid Term Clinical Results | S. Micovic , Serbia |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | Single Stage Fontan Procedure | N. Hakim , Greece |
| 11:45 - 12:00 | Cardiac Myxoma: 15 Years Surgical Experience | K. Oral , Turkey |
| 12:00 - 12:15 | Surgical Treatment of Chronic Constrictive Pericarditis:
Our Experience Over the Last Decade | E. Likaj , Albania |
| 12:15 - 12:30 | Axillobrachial Artery Bypass Grafting with Cephalic Vein Graft:
A Case Report | K. Oral , Turkey |
| 12:30 - 12:45 | Pain and the Quality of Life Following Robotic Assisted
Minimally Invasive Surgery | M. Ezelsoy , Turkey |
| 12:45 - 13:00 | Our Experience in Carotid Endarterectomy | E. Nuellari , Albania |
| 13:00 - 13:15 | High Volume Hemofiltration During Cardiopulmonary Bypass | A. Ibrahim , Albania |
| 13:15 - 13:30 | Clinical Utility of Tissue Doppler Imaging in the Estimation of
Left Ventricular End-Diastolic Pressure | H. Gjergo , Albania |
| 13:30 - 13:45 | Surgery For The Acute Aortic Dissections Type A:
10 Year Single Centre Experience | D. Cvetkovic , Serbia |
| 13:45 | Adjourn | |



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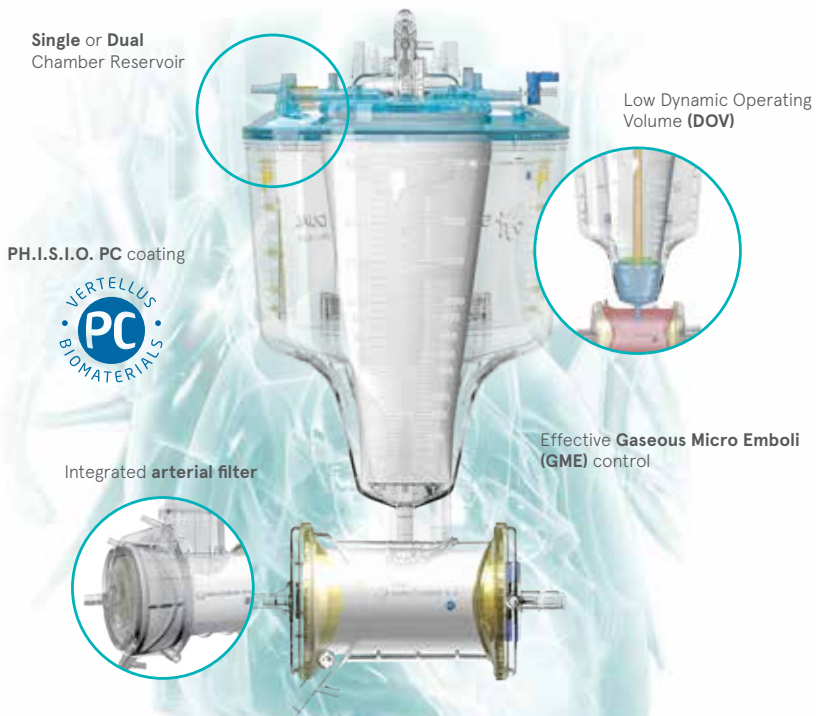
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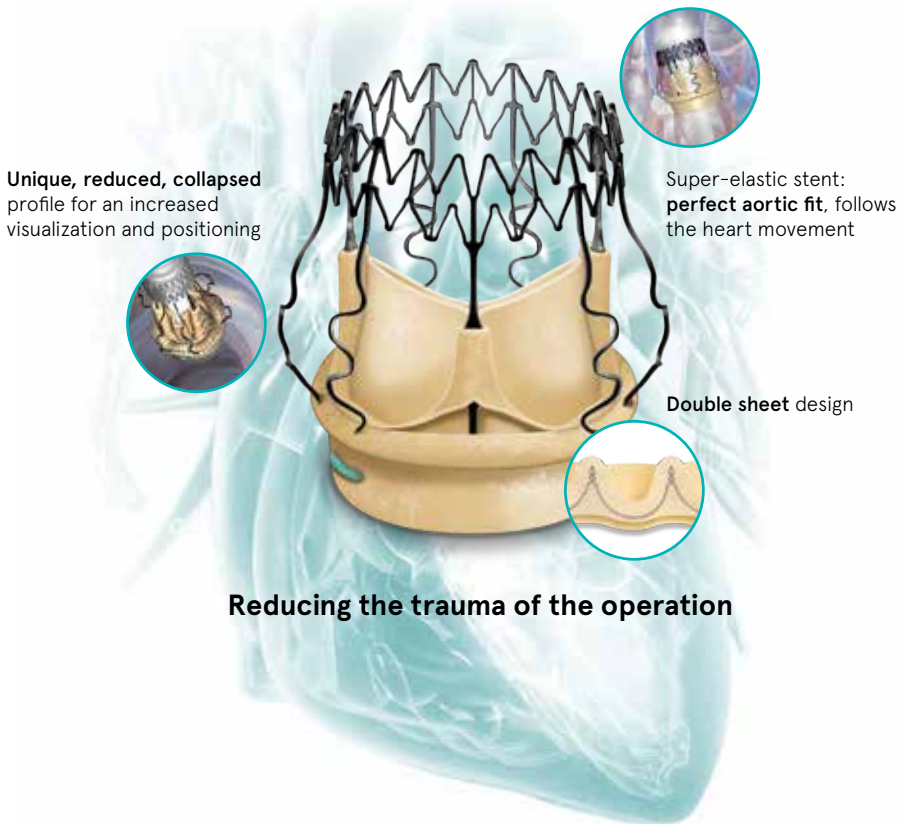
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