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*Dear colleagues,*

*After four previous successful editions of the East Meets West Congress, which has benefited from high national and international appreciation, we look forward to the East Meets West 2021 Congress, the fifth such prestigious event organized for Central and Eastern Europe, fully endorsed by the ISEVS – the International Society for EndoVascular. In addition, University “Titu Maiorescu” from Bucharest, Romanian Society of Endovascular Surgery, Romanian Society Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery and Romanian Society of Vascular Surgery have come on board as academic and scientific partners.*

*EMW2021 will be held in Bucharest between the 7th-9th of October 2021 at Intercontinental Bucharest Hotel, a place of tradition for Romania. We invite you to take part at this special event, the only one that brings together so many international and national personalities in the field of cardiovascular medicine and surgery. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, this year we will meet in a hybrid format, with both online and onsite presentations.*

*Why should you attend the EMW2021 Congress? Because the idea of the event itself started from the desire to create a new type of framework for Romanian endovascular specialists, a framework that puts the Romanian specialists next to the world leaders in the field. They will share their knowledge and opinions, as well as professional secrets. Our partners will present innovative techniques and technologies – the vast majority being important companies in America and Europe. Certainly, all the presented information at the event will help you treat your patients successfully. EMW2021 will also encourage the creative exchange of ideas and learning experiences for everyone! Registered participants will have the opportunity to relate directly to faculty members. Also, exhibitors in the medical industry will present new insights into the field and talk about new technologies.*

*We also promise you that the East Meets West 2021 Congress will be a unique event for us, for Romania, thanks to distinguished personalities who will honour us with their presence – faculty members from the International Society for EndoVascular Specialists from who have agreed to be with us and to support us in our common approach – excellence in treating cardiovascular disease. We all face daily challenges and difficult situations in our professional life. EMW2021 aims to come to the aid of those who are eager to learn, who are aiming for an international successful career.*

*The 3-day educational program includes plenary sessions, case reports, workshops, specially presented for vascular and cardiovascular surgeons, interventional cardiologists, interventional radiologists and other related specialties.*

*The East Meets West Congress wants to inspire, motivate and give a new contour to cardiovascular medicine and surgery because it's really possible today.*

*It is simple. Knowledge has no borders and the opportunity to meet us in an open, neutral environment, regardless of nationality and professional level, should not be missed! If you want to write history together with us, we are waiting for you at the East Meets West Congress!*

**Prof. Dr. Victor Costache - President EMW2021**

**Prof. Dr. Horațiu Moldovan – VicePresident EMW2021**

**Dr Dan Tesloianu – VicePresident EMW 2021**



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Session I		Congenital heart disease, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Nicu Lovin, Ovidiu Lazar, Eugen Sandica		
08:00	on site	"Intraoperative use of Dexmedetomidine facilitates early extubation of pediatric patients after open heart surgery"	Dr. Ovidiu Lazar	Bucharest, Romania
08:15	on site	"Atrial septal Defect - interventional management"	Dr. Florina Pinte	Bucharest, Romania
08:30	online	"Failing Fontan: VAD and/or HTx"	Dr. Eugen Sandica	Bad Oeynhausen, Germany
08:40	on site	"Bridge therapy strategies in complex congenital heart diseases"	Dr. Nicu Lovin	Iasi, Romania
08:55	Discussions			

Session II		Surgical precision...without surgery, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Doina Dimulescu, Dan Tesloianu, Marius Andronache		
09:05	on site	"Persistent left superior vena cava: a challenge for lead implantation; could we solve the problem without surgery?"	Dr. Cristian Haba	Iasi, Romania
09:15	online	"3D mapping and ablation of atrial flutter after mitral surgery"	Dr. Marius Andronache	Nancy, France
09:30	online	"Subclinical atrial fibrillation: Does it matter?"	Dr. Catalina Arsenescu-Georgescu	Iasi, Romania
09:45	online	"Implantable devices interference with surgery – finding solutions"	Dr. Catalin Pestrea	Brasov, Romania
10:00	on site	"Periprocedural management of novel anticoagulant therapy in cardiovascular procedures"	Dr. Doina Dimulescu	Bucharest, Romania
10:15	on site	"Non-invasive myocardial revascularisation - between dream and reality"	Dr. Silviu Dumitrescu	Bucharest, Romania
10:30	on site	Clinical case presentation	Dr. Bogdan Artene	Iasi, Romania
10:40	Discussions			

Session III		Aortic Disease and Aortic Dissections, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Grigore Tinica, Rolf Dammrau, Markus Liebrich		
10:55	on site	"Aortic type B dissection - how to promote false lumen thrombosis"	Dr. Rolf Dammrau	Koln, Germany

11:10	on site	"Modern treatment of aortic root aneurysm"	Dr. Grigore Tinica	Bucharest, Romania
11:25	on site	"Endovascular treatment of aorto-caval fistula, a case report"	Dr. L. Kalmykov	Koln, Germany
11:35	on site	"A 2021 overview of guidelines and surgical techniques"	Dr Marius Harpa	Tg Mures, Romania
11:50	on site	"Aortic arch masterclass - Inside the Frozen Elephant Trunk"	Dr Liebrich Markus Wolfgang	Stuttgart, Germany
12:05	on site	"Update on endovascular treatment for aortic dissection"	Dr Anca Chitic	Braşov, Romania
12:20	on site	"Management of the aortic root in type A acute aortic dissection"	Dr Lucian Stoica	Iasi, Romania
12:35	Discussions			

<b>12:45 – 13:15</b>	<b>OPENING CEREMONY</b>
12:45 - 13:15	LUNCH BOX, RONDA FOAYER, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

<b>Session IV</b>	<b>Valvular Endocarditis, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>			
Chairpersons:	Adrian Streinu-Cercel, Antoniu Petris, Lucian Stoica			
13:15	on site	"Implantable devices' Endocarditis – where's the barrier between interventional and surgical approach?"	Dr. Andreea Ursaru	Iasi, Romania
13:30	on site	"Valvular endocarditis, review of 2021 guidelines"	Dr. Adrian Streinu-Cercel	Bucharest, Romania
13:45	online	"Sutureless prosthesis in redo surgery of active endocarditis"	Dr. Elisa Mikus	Ravenna, Italy
14:00	onsite	Surgical treatment of valvular endocarditis"	Dr. Bogdan Rădulescu	Bucharest, Romania
14:15	online	"Healing the heart - a personal view"	Dr. Martin S. Martin	Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA
14:30	Discussions			

<b>Session V</b>	<b>Management of Aortic Valve Disease, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>			
Chairpersons:	Horatiu Moldovan, Victor Costache, Patrick Klein			
14:45	on site	"Echography's helping hand – valvular implantation devices, before, after and during the procedure"	Dr. Cristina Pitis	Brasov, Romania
15:00	on site	"My first experience with the Resilia valve"	Dr. Patrick Klein	Nieuwegein, Holland
15:15	on site	"How I do it: minithoracotomy for aortic valve disease"	Dr. Horatiu Moldovan	Bucharest, Romania
15:30	online	"Ozaki procedure in young patient with aortic disease as alternative to mechanical prosthesis"	Dr. Elisa Mikus	Ravenna, Italy

15:45	on site	" Management of Electrical Storm"	Dr. Radu Vatasescu	Bucharest, Romania
16:00	on site	Antithrombotic therapy after TAVI	Dr. Elisabeta Badila	Bucharest, Romania
16:15	on site	"Personalized treatment for aortic valve disease"	Dr. Victor Costache	Brasov, Romania
16:30	on site	"TAVR in aortic stenosis with bicuspid valve"	Dr Rodica Niculescu	Bucharest, Romania
16:45	online	"New in TAVI - Navitor"	Dr. Mariuca Vasa-Nicotera	Frankfurt, Germany
17:00	Discussions			

Session VI		Late Breaking News on Vascular Surgery, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Rodney White, Radu Popa, Kakkhee Yeung, Palma Shaw		
17:15	online	"Techniques for Mechanical Thrombectomy for Pulmonary Embolism during the COVID Pandemic"	Dr. Palma Shaw President Elect ISEVS	Syracuse, New York, USA
17:30	on site	"EVAR History: an endless revolution to achieve perfection"	Dr. Jacques Busquet	Paris, France
17:45	online	"How to use the hybrid room in complex aortic repair?"	Dr. Kakkhee Yeung	Amsterdam, Netherlands
18:00	online	"Infrarenal aortic enlargement following descending aortic dissection"	Dr. Rodney White	Torrance, California, USA
18:15	online	"How Artificial intelligence can help in clinical decision making in vascular surgery"	Dr. Kakkhee Yeung	Amsterdam, Netherlands
18:30	on site	"Surgical strategies in AAA management with concomitant surgical pathologies"	Dr. Horia Muresan	Bucharest, Romania
18:45	on site	"Significant imaging characteristics for the unstable carotidian plaque"	Dr. Radu Popa	Iasi, Romania
19:00	online	"Endovascular treatment of aortic dissections"	Dr. Ivo Petrov	Sofia, Bulgaria
19:15	online	"Percutaneous treatment for HF: new devices"	Dr. Dhaval Parekh	Houston, Texas, USA
19:30	onsite	"The wedding procedure for complicated TBAD"	Dr. Victor Costache	Brasov, Romania
19:35	online	"Endovascular treatment of complex aortic disease"	Dr. Ourania Prevenza President ISEVS	Texas Heart Center, Baylor College, USA
19:50	Discussions			



Session I		PCI vs. CABG, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Dan Deleanu, Roman Wojdyla, Elkahlout Ayman		
08:00	online	“PCI completing surgical revascularization – hybrid strategies”	Dr. Hadadi Laszlo	Tg. Mures, Romania
08:15	online	“Surgery saving PCI”	Dr. Adrian Molnar	Cluj-Napoca, Romania
08:30	on site	“Classical and special indications and contraindications for PCI and CABG”	Dr. Roman Wojdyla	Krakow, Poland
08:45	online	“PCI treatment of graft lesions”	Dr. Hakim Benamer	Paris, France
09:00	on site	“PCI before and after TAVI”	Dr. Dan Deleanu	Bucharest, Romania
09:15	online	“PCI avoiding surgery (complications)”	Dr. Benjamin Faurie	Grenoble, France
09:30	Discussions			

Symposium		SANOFI, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
09:40	on site	“Praluent: a new hope for cardiovascular patient with high and very high risk”	Dr. Dan Tesloianu	Iasi, Romania

Session II		PCI solutions in classical CABG indications, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Stefan Mot, Marin Postu, Theodor Iulian Matei		
10:00	on site	“...which classical indications? (calcified lesions, bifurcations, restenosis, CTO, coronary aneurysms)”	Dr. Marin Postu	Bucharest, Romania
10:15	online	“Bifurcation techniques”	Dr. Stefan Mot	Cluj, Romania
10:30	on site	“Cutting/scoring balloons, high pressure balloons”	Dr. Mehdi Ouchiha	Paris, France
10:45	online	“IVL therapy(Shockwave)”	Dr. Marc Bonnet	Lyon, France
11:00	online	“Laser therapy”	Dr. Nathalie Noirclerc	Lausanne, Switzerland
11:15	online	“Coronary covered stent. Safe or not?”	Dr. Loic Belle	Annecy, France
11:30	on site	“Rotational/Orbital atherectomy- case presentation”	Dr. Elkahlout Ayman	Tg. Mures, Romania
11:45	Discussions			

Session III		Bypassing surgery, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Theodora Benedek, Mihai Ionac, Crina Sinescu		
12:00	online	"Transcatheter valve implantation in tricuspid position by hybrid intervention"	Dr. Igor Nedelciuc Dr. Grigore Tinica	Iasi, Romania
12:15	on site	"PE and CTEPH interventional treatment"	Dr. Theodora Benedek	Tg. Mures, Romania
12:30	on site	"No man's land – Vasospastic angina"	Dr. Theodor Iulian Matei	Iasi, Romania
12:45	on site	"Endovascular venous desobstruction"	Dr. Mihai Ionac	Timisoara, Romania
13:00	on site	"The therapeutic approach in patients with multivascular coronary disease"	Dr. Crina Sinescu	Bucharest, Romania
13:15	online	"LVADs and PCI"	Dr. Christian Spaulding	Paris, France
13:30	Discussions			

Session IV		More on AVR and other "potentially surgical" topics LUNCH BOX SESSION (RONDA FOAYER), RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Massimo Caputo, Mihnea Nichita Brendea, Imre Benedek		
13:40	on site	"Development of Hybrid Strategies in Congenital Heart Surgery"	Dr. Massimo Caputo	Bristol, UK
13:55	on site	"Image-guided revascularization in complex lesions - Left Main, Chronic Total Occlusions and Multi Vessel Disease"	Dr. Imre Benedek	Tg. Mures, Romania
14:10	on site	"3D printing, bio-printing, and tissue engineering in congenital heart surgery"	Dr. Massimo Caputo	Bristol, UK
14:25	online	"Coronary perforation"	Dr. Laurentiu Pascalau	Timisoara, Romania
14:40	Discussions			

Session V		More on TAVI and aortic valve treatment, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Matteo Ferrarini, Lionel Leroux, Serban Stoica		
14:50	on site	"Patient selection/new devices"	Dr. Andrada Bogdan	Bucharest, Romania
15:05	on site	"The role of the Ross operation in a less invasive era"	Dr. Serban Stoica	Bristol, UK
15:20	on site	"The Perceval journey"	Dr. Matteo Ferrarini	Milan, Italy
15:40	online	"Alternate access ways"	Dr. Emmanouil Poulidakis	Athens, Greece



15:55	on site	"Difficult cases"	Dr. Dmytro Beshley	Lviv, Ukraine
16:10	online	"Complications"	Dr. Lionel Leroux	Bordeaux, France
16:25	onsite	"Pre and intraoperative risk and prediction factors for complete atrio-ventricular blok in TAVR. When to implant the pacemaker?"	Dr. Radu Ciudin	Bucharest, Romania
16:40	Discussions			
<b>Symposium</b>		<b>Novo Nordisk, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>		
16:50		Saxenda® - the only EMA-approved GLP-1 analogue for obesity management	Dr. Claudiu Stoicescu	Bucharest, Romania

<b>Session VI</b>		<b>Update on mitral valve surgery and transcatheter solutions, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>		
Chairpersons:		Horatiu Moldovan, Lucian Dorobantu, Victor Costache		
17:15	on site	"Echo for mitral valve repair"	Dr. Cristina Pitis	Brasov, Romania
17:30	on site	"Minimally invasive video assisted mitral surgery, how I do it"	Dr. Victor Costache	Brasov, Romania
17:45	on site	"Tricvalve. A Novel solution for Tricuspid regurgitation disease"	Dr. Juan Serrano Moreno	Madrid, Spain
18:00	on site	"The role of transaortic mitral repair in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy"	Dr. Lucian Dorobantu	Bucharest, Romania
18:15	online	"Current evidence base for transcatheter edge-to-edge repair"	Dr. Vlasis Ninios	Greece
18:30	on site	"Minimally invasive mitral repair is the gold standard treatment"	Dr. Horatiu Moldovan	Bucharest, Romania
18:45	on site	"Simplifying the mitral MICS journey"	Dr. Matteo Ferrarini	Milan, Italy
19:00	on site	"Patient selection: who is the ideal candidate for MitraClip?"	Dr. Crina Radulescu	Bucharest, Romania
19:15	on site	Case-based learning: tips and tricks: Case no. 1   Case no. 2	Dr. Iulian Calin Dr. Vlasis Ninios	Bucharest, Romania Greece
19:35	Discussions			
<b>20:00</b>		<b>COCKTAIL DINNER, FORTUNA BALLROOM, 21<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR</b>		



<b>Session I</b>		<b>Imaging and Ischemia, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>		
Chairpersons:		Olivier Lairez, Anatolie Cazacu		
08:00	online	“The importance of stress echo vs. Cardiac stress test”	Dr. Daniela Crisu	Iasi, Romania
08:15	on site	“CT - a most valuable tool”	Dr. Anatolie Cazacu	Kishinev, Republic of Moldova
08:30	on site	“Cardiac MRI in ischemia and viability evaluation”	Dr. Olivier Lairez	Toulouse, France
08:45	on site	“CT imaging for virtual planning of TAVI/MIAVR”	Dr. Anatolie Cazacu	Kishinev, Republic of Moldova
09:00	Discussions			

<b>Session II</b>		<b>Chronic Total Occlusions, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>		
Chairpersons:		Marin Postu, Aurel Toma		
09:10	on site	“Patient selection and results”	Dr. Aurel Toma	Freiburg – Wien, Austria
09:25	on site	“CTO Tool Box”	Dr. Nichita Bredeea	Oradea, Romania
09:40	online	“Antegrade techniques”	Dr. Ferencs Gyori	Debrecen, Hungary
09:55	online	“Retrograde techniques”	Dr. Nicolas Boudou	Bordeaux, France
10:10	online	“IVUS/OCT in CTOs”	Dr. Nicolas Amabile	Paris, France
10:25	on site	“Hemodynamic evaluation before PCI/CABG (FFR, iFR)”	Dr. Zsolt Piroth	Budapest, Hungary
10:40	Discussions			

<b>Session III</b>		<b>Exceeding the limits in HFrEF patients part 1, RONDA Conference Room, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL</b>		
Chairpersons:		Antoniu Petris, Horatiu Suciu		
11:00	online	“TAVR in HFrEF: till where?”	Dr. Matjaž Bunc	Ljubljana, Slovenia
11:15	on site	“CABG in HFrEF: till where?”	Dr. Dmytro Beshley	Lviv, Ukraine
11:30	online	“Renal Guard”	Dr. Heyman Luckraz	Dubai, UAE
11:45	online	“Renal denervation”	Dr. Pierre Lantelme	Lyon, France
12:00	Discussions			

Session IV		Vascular access in PCI and more topics in endovascular therapies, RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Gianmarco de Donato, Mihnea Nichita Brendea		
12:10	on site	“Ovation Alto stent grafts”	Dr. Gianmarco de Donato	Sienna, Italy
12:25	online	“Radial vs. Femoral...still a debate?”	Dr. Ionut Achitei	Iasi, Romania
12:40	on site	”A paradigm Shift in Arterial Clot Removal: from Surgery to Endovascular thrombosis-aspiration”	Dr. Gianmarco De Donato	Sienna, Italy
12:55	online	“Distal radial – the new kid in town”	Dr. Claudiu Ungureanu	Brussels, Belgium
13:10	Discussions			

Session V		Exceeding the limits in HFref patients part 2 LUNCH BOX SESSION (RONDA FOAYER), RONDA Conference Room, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLR, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL		
Chairpersons:		Antoniou Petris, Horatiu Suci		
13:20	onsite	“The surgical practice in heart failure”	Dr. Horatiu Suci	Tg Mures, Romania
13:35	online	“Pharmacotherapeutic strategies in heart failure in the light of the 2021 ESC Guidelines”	Dr. Daniela Bartos	Bucharest, Romania
13:50	online	“Heart failure - new solutions for an old disease”	Dr. Oana Fronea	Bucharest, Romania
14:05	online	“My friend, the interventionist”	Dr. Antoniu Petris	Iasi, Romania
14:20	online	”The SynCardia TAH: where are we today?”	Dr. Charles-Henri David	France
14:35	Discussions and Closing Ceremony			

