



Dear Members,
Thank you to all the willing members of the EHS ExCom, SciCom and EduCom, who have offered their help to review abstracts both for EFORT's next annual congress in Geneva and, of course, for our own EHS Congress from 6-9th September in Munich next year.

Members of the EHS SciCom came to Munich earlier this month for a very successful meeting to discuss our Congress programme. We really want everyone from EHS to get involved at our 12th EHS Congress. The countdown has begun!

Abstracts can be submitted from next month - please visit our dedicated website www.ehs-congresses.org to see when and to keep up to date with the congress news.

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Prof Klaus A Siebenrock went through the medical school at the University of Tübingen, Germany and at the Northwestern University of Chicago/Illinois. Residency and surgical training on the field of orthopaedic surgery and traumatology was largely performed at the University of Bern, Switzerland. Klaus Siebenrock completed his specialization in the field of hip and pelvic orthopaedic surgery and traumatology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota and with Joel Matta at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. After years as a staff surgeon at the University of Bern, he took over the chair for orthopaedic surgery and traumatology in Bern at the Inselspital at the beginning of 2005.

The focus of Prof Siebenrock is on hip and pelvic surgery and he is a prominent and renowned leader in complex hip joint preservation surgery, acetabular and pelvic fracture surgery and perfectly familiar with hip joint replacement surgery with a distinct focus on hip joint revision surgery. Klaus Siebenrock has published... peer reviewed articles and performs research about hip and pelvic surgery on a large scale with a dedicated team. Peer-reviewed third-party funding and substantial support from the Swiss National Foundation sums up to a total funding of a few million Swiss Francs so far.

The biannual Bernese Hip Symposium brings together the worldwide experts in hip joint preservation surgery and has been followed for two years by scientific publications by means of a symposium in the CORR journal. Prof. Siebenrock strongly believes that combined forces within Europe and especially within the EHS will help to further promote quality of hip joint surgery and research. International and worldwide connections to other societies and meetings are mandatory in order to play a leadership role.

On behalf of the EHS ExCom, I would like to thank Prof Dr Elke, who retires as EHS National Representative for Switzerland, and offer a warm welcome to his replacement, Prof Dr med Siebenrock - you can read his short biography below left. This month our newsletter also features a word or two from our active New York-based member, Prof Ran Schwarzkopf.

I urge those last few members who have not paid membership dues to hurry! Thank you.

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Prof Ran Schwarzkopf completed his Orthopaedic Surgery Residency at NYU Langone Medical Center Hospital For Joint Diseases in New York, USA. He completed his adult reconstruction fellowship at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston and is currently the Division Chief of Implant Surgery at Bellevue Hospital, as well as Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Division of Adult Reconstruction at NYU Hospital For Joint Diseases.

Prof Schwarzkopf has received awards and grants for his clinical research from the Arthritis foundation, Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation, and took part in the prestigious Hip Society Rothman-Ranawat travelling Fellowship. In the upcoming AAHKS meeting Prof Schwarzkopf will receive the Dr Lawrence Dorr award for his work on conversion THA. He has published over 100 peer-reviewed publications and book chapters and has given presentations in many international hip arthroplasty meetings. When not in the operating room, he enjoys time with his family and is an avid snowboarder and runner.

"My goal is to introduce the EHS here in New York and increase membership as well as to help develop an ongoing academic and research relationship with EHS members. There is much to learn from our colleagues in Europe and I look forward to this growing relationship."

Currently NYU Hospital For Joint Diseases is leading the way in robotic and navigation hip surgery, as well as establishing an internationally known hip center that focuses on hip preservation as well as same day ambulatory total hip surgery - all possible due to advanced multidisciplinary protocols, pathways and surgical techniques. As Jonathan Vigdorich MD, who specializes in joint preservation surgery of the hip stated, "We have developed the robotic orthopaedic surgery institute utilizing technology in hip preservation and joint replacement to advance surgeon training and improve patient outcomes."