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Dear Colleague,

The 25th European Congress of Pathology (ECP 2013) will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, from 31 August to 4 September 2013. On behalf of the European Society of Pathology and the Portuguese Society of Pathology/Portuguese Division of the International Academy of Pathology we would like to invite you to join us in Lisbon.

We will do our best to guarantee a valuable scientific, educational and social experience for all participants. The motto of the Congress – Pathology: A gate to the future – is symbolically represented by the Tower of Belém. The icon of the ECP 2013 is a monument close to the Congress Center that commemorates the voyage towards the unknown of the Portuguese navigators. Pathology, in addition to its traditional clinical problem solving role, is entering uncharted waters – this notion is reflected in the scientific programme that may be summarised as an inclusive programme on Personalised Pathology.

As you may know, the Lisbon Congress was initially coined the seven Ps Congress: Pathology after Prague; Prognosis; Predictive; Personalized; Portugal and Pleasure. The finalised social programme has expanded this number of Ps: a couple of exciting Parties, including a Sunset Rave Party (a première in ESP Congresses), a Performance of choral music pieces from Portuguese Academies, a Slide Seminar and the future of Pathology. Attendance of all sessions, in including Slide Seminars, is free.

Four Keynote Lectures will address some hot topics of the presented abstracts and the future of Pathology. Special emphasis will be put on both the recent discoveries and the reinforcement of close clinico-pathological cooperation. The motto of the Congress – Pathology: A gate to the future – is guiding the design and content of the scientific sessions.

The core of the programme, prepared with a strong input from the ESP Working Groups, will encompass the following topics:

- Breast Pathology
- Cardiovascular Pathology
- Gynaecological Pathology
- Digestive Diseases Pathology
- Electron Microscopy
- Endocrine Pathology
- Cardiovascular Pathology
- Renal Pathology
- Soft Tissue and Bone Pathology
- Thyroid and Mediastinal Pathology
- Uropathology

A wide range of scientific sessions will be offered, comprising Slide Seminars, Short Courses, Symposia, Videomicroscopy and Special Sessions, as well as Oral Free Paper and Poster Sessions. Four Keynote Lectures will address some hot topics of the presented abstracts and the future of Pathology. Attendance of all sessions, including Slide Seminars, is free. The programme will include contributions from ESP Associated Societies and other leading European Organisations such as EORTC, UEG and ESMO. Some Special Sessions will be organised jointly by ESP/IAP and by the Portuguese Society of Pathology/Portuguese Division of the International Academy of Pathology.

The aim of the organisers is to provide an up-to-date scientific programme covering all major areas of diagnostic and molecular pathology. Special emphasis will be put on both the recent discoveries and the reinforcement of close clinico-pathological cooperation. The motto of the Congress – Pathology: A gate to the future – is guiding the design and content of the scientific sessions.