Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the organizing committee, I would like to invite you to the 7th NEUROSURGICAL MICROVASCULAR WORKSHOP in České Budějovice, which will be held on December 5 – 7, 2012.

First allow me to thank the expert guarantors: Prof. Petr Suchomel, President of Czech Neurosurgical Society and Prof. Juraj Šteňo, Bratislava, Slovakia for their support of our Workshop, that has become a tradition. No less important for the existence of the meeting is the technical background provided by the Institute of Parasitology within the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic. And I would like to use this opportunity and thank director Prof. J. Lukeš and former director Prof. T. Scholz for their assistance, which is vital for the organization of the workshop.

Microsurgical techniques are very important for the development of the skills of neurosurgeons. Experiments in microvascular anastomosis represent an ideal opportunity for such training. In the light of new functional diagnostic procedures, the clinical indications of EC-IC bypass are being reconsidered.

A limited number of the procedure may be performed in selected subgroups of ischemic stroke patients regardless of the results of COSS study. A neurosurgeon should be technically equipped for this situation. The purpose of our workshop is to provide training for those trainees or specialists who want to improve their microsurgical technical skills. The Live Surgery will take place within the workshop. EC-IC low-flow bypass, Carotid Microendarterectomy and eversion Carotid Endarterectomy will be performed.

Due to the limited capacity of the facilities, the organisers unfortunately had to limit the number of participants and therefore kindly ask for applications to be sent to the address of the organizing committee. I am looking forward to seeing you in České Budějovice.

Your sincerely

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