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Letter from the President

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

This being my first letter to you in 2011 there is a lot of new information I would like to share with you:

- The success of the **Cardiff congress** has continued to be apparent in many ways: positive feedback and congratulations from many sources for the excellence of the scientific programme, record-breaking attendance, financial profit, recognition from other associations and requests for joint sessions at their congresses and the inclusion of ETCO in policy-making committees on a European and worldwide level. I would like to thank Andrew Broderick and the rest of the LOC once again and also the PCO Bioscientifica for their hard work in promoting the congress and making it a success.

- We have been invited and have agreed to join the ESOT congress again this year. We will have the **ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting on Organ Donation and Transplantation on 4-5 September, 2011** at the beginning of the ESOT congress together with ESOT's European Donation Committee and this will be our 2011 congress. We have postponed the **European Organ Donation Congress, 23rd ETCO**, to 5-7 October 2012 in Dubrovnik, Croatia. There are many reasons for this decision, the first and simplest being the common sense of pooling economic and scientific resources and time and effort in holding one single European congress on Donation and Transplantation. It also allows our members to attend both the **ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting** and the **ESOT** congress in the same trip. The **ETCO workshops**, the **CETC examinations** and the **ETCO General Assembly** will all be programmed during the congress, on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th September.

- Pursuing our goal to provide a strong society of and for transplant coordinators with the maximum amount of services and support has led us to consider becoming **a section of ESOT**. Both the president of ESOT, Rutger Ploeg and myself think this would benefit the members of both societies and will foster donation and transplantation in Europe and around the world. A task force has been set up with three members from each society to negotiate the conditions and it would not be appropriate for me to advance any details but I can say that we are keeping ETCO members' interests foremost and if we do become a section, all ETCO members will also be ESOT members with the same rights

and obligations as other ESOT members. You will be informed of all developments and the proposed agreement.

- Meanwhile business continues as usual. The **elections** to the ETCO Board will be opened in April; half the board is renewed every 2 years. Let me encourage you to apply or to nominate someone you would like to represent you. Voting will be done online and results given before the General Assembly, after which the new board will take office.

- The **CETC** is organized by the U.E.M.S. Board of Transplant Coordination, Division of Transplantation, in close collaboration with ETCO. Information is available on the ETCO website www.etc.org and the U.E.M.S. Section of Surgery website, www.uemssurg.org. *2011 is the last year that honorary certification will be offered to leading experts in the field. Applicants need to have at least 10 years experience and a letter of recommendatio. Registration is open until 30 April 2011.*

- ETCO is becoming increasingly visible and active on the European and world transplantation stage. ETCO has been asked to participate in several committees, meetings and congresses this year, the main one's being:

- The inaugural ceremony of the **SEEHN Regional Health Development Center on Organ Donation and Transplantation (RHDC)**, to be held in Zagreb on 22nd February 2011. I have been invited to give a lecture on the topic "Training programs and accreditation of transplant coordinators/ICU doctors - solution and ideas for regional cooperation";

- **Meeting of the Competent Authorities on Organ donation and Transplantation** of the European Commission, Brussels 28 February - 1 March 2011;

- **Meeting of stakeholders from the Southeast Region of Europe** to be held in Skopje, Macedonia on May 27th to May 28th, 2011. The aim of this meeting is to address the organ donation and transplantation needs of each country within that geographical region. Representatives from each of the following countries or jurisdictions are invited: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, and Slovenia. The objective is to bring together representatives from the Ministries of Health and Professional Organizations for an exchange of information and experience amongst these countries of the Southeast Europe Region. The hope is to foster a new vision for deceased organ donation and transplantation, translated into shared national objectives. Cooperation within each country and collaboration among countries is to be encouraged. We also recognize that programs of

living donation are important in achieving a national self-sufficiency in organ transplantation within each country. This initiative is lead by TTS and ESOT, in collaboration with ETCO and ISODP and is supported by the collaboration of the WHO with Organización Nacional de Trasplantes (ONT), and the consultation of the Council of Europe through the European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and Health care (EDQM), the European Commission and the South-eastern Europe Health Network (SEEHN). This project is intended to be contributory to initiatives that are already underway for example through SEEHN and the Council of Europe;

- **Iberoamerican Council** March 23-25 in Cartagena de Indias – Colombia. ETCO was invited as external observer;

- **Joint session ETCO/European Shock Society**, Giardini Naxos (Sicily, Italy) August 31 to September 2, 2011. The scientific programme covers diverse topics including Septic Shock, Ischemia/Reperfusion Injury and Trauma. There will be a ETCO/ESS joint session about the "Modifying Ischemia Reperfusion Injury for Graft Survival";

- **Joint session ETCO/ESICM** at the ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting on Organ Donation and Transplantation 4-5 September, at the 15th ESOT Congress, Glasgow 2011;

- **Joint session ESICM/ETCO** at the 24th ESICM Annual Congress, Berlin 1-4 October 2011.

We are proud to be contributing to the development of transplant coordination and hope that these efforts will benefit you, our members, and improve the profile of transplant coordinators in Europe and around the world.

Thank you all for your support. I invite you to contribute to the journal and the web with resources and news and also to vote in the elections.

Best wishes for a busy and satisfying year,

Rui Maio
ETCO president

2011 ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting on Organ Donation and Transplantation on 4-5 September, 2011

The ETCO Congress 2011 will be held together with the European Donation Committee, at the beginning of the

European Society of Organ Transplantation Congress in Glasgow. Participants can register just for the ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting or for both the Joint Meeting and the ESOT Congress, ETCO members have discounted rates and nurses, coordinators and trainees have discounted rates to the ESOT congress. Information and registration at www.esot.org/Congresses/Glasgow, linked from the ETCO website homepage www.etc.org.

Programme

ETCO/ESICM JOINT SESSION

Admitting possible donors into critical care units: practices and challenges.

Donation after circulatory death: competing practice or additional value?

WORKSHOP BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH

Introduction: Identical goal but different views. End of life treatment in north and south Europe:

The view in north Europe

The view in south Europe

Issues between life and death in the critical care unit: presentation of an ethical case from daily practice.

QUALITY AND SAFETY. VIGILANCE AND SURVEILLANCE

European Guidelines on Organ Donation. Organ vigilance and surveillance in the EU: the requirements, the facts and the way to go.

Difficult decisions during donation, presentation of 3 cases:

- *A malignant brain tumour*
- *Risk of emerging infectious disease*
- *Acute intoxication*

KEY NOTE LECTURE

High Risk Donors: An overview of the current situation and the challenges.

ORGAN PROCUREMENT IN DECEASED DONATION

Organization of procurement in Europe: can we improve quality?

Organization of uncontrolled donation after circulatory death in Spain.

SYSTEMATIC ANALYSIS OF THE DECEASED DONATION PROCESS: LESSONS TO LEARN

National registry of deaths with acute cerebral lesions. The problem of donor identification.

Critical success factors in the process of donation after brain death.

Building a national quality assurance programme in the deceased donation process in Belgium.

LIVING DONATION

Living donation in Europe: Facts and figures.

Critical aspects in the evaluation of living donors from a medical, psychological and social perspective.

The role of the coordinator in increasing awareness and knowledge of the medical society concerning living donation.

Creating a strategy: An interactive process with coordinators from different European countries.

18:00 h. Official Opening Session of the ESOT Congress

ETCO WORKSHOPS - Monday September 5, 2011

WORKSHOP 1: Brain death diagnosis and donor treatment.

30 available seats

WORKSHOP 2: Communication and research skills for transplant coordinators.

20 available seats

WORKSHOP 3: Quality assurance programme in the deceased donation process.

20 available seats

WORKSHOP 4: Organ Preservation Workshop, Wet Lab.

30 available seats TBC

Sunday September 4, 2011 & Monday September 5, 2011

Certificate of European Transplant Coordination (CETC) Examinations

Monday September 5, 2011

ETCO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Letter from the Board of Transplant Coordination

Dear Colleagues

2010 was an action-packed year for the Board of Transplant Coordination (BTC). When the BTC was formed in January, its main goal was to provide a certification which guaranteed the best standard of care in organ and tissue donation and transplant coordination in Europe

by establishing homologous standards of practice. Today, I am glad to tell you that the first examinations for the new **Certificate of European Transplant Coordination (CETC)** were held last September during the 22nd ETCO in Cardiff. There were 11 examinations, in which 55% of candidates passed, which is comparable to the success rates in other UEMS qualifications. On this occasion, I would like to offer my sincerest congratulations to the successful candidates as well as those 27 highly experienced Colleagues who were awarded an Honorary Diploma. I would also like to thank ETCO, the Division of Transplantation (UEMS Section of Surgery) and, last but not least, the members of the BTC for their enormous joint effort to let the 2010 CETC examinations happen.

As an outlook, it gives me pleasure to invite all transplant coordinators to take the next step in their professional

career and to register for the **CETC examinations** which will take place on **September 4 and 5, 2011** during the ETCO&EDC Joint Meeting in Glasgow. Please note that in 2011 for the last time, highly experienced professionals in transplant coordination may be awarded a **CETC Honorary Diploma** upon nomination. Additional information as well as the application form for candidates for the CETC examination can be found on the ETCO website, **www.etc.org**, and the U.E.M.S. Section of Surgery website, **www.uemssurg.org**, registration closes **April 30, 2011**.

I look forward to seeing you in Glasgow,

Franz Immer
Chairman, BTC

CETC Application Form

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|  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>CERTIFICATE OF EUROPEAN TRANSPLANT COORDINATION - UEMS/ETCO</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">APPLICATION FORM</h2> </div>  | |
| <p>1. It is mandatory that signed hard copies of the application and signed and stamped certificate of current employment as transplant coordinator be mailed to the Senior Secretary of the Board of Transplant Coordination of the UEMS:</p> <p>Name: <i>Sándor Mihály</i> Postal address: <i>Hungarian National Blood Transfusion Service, H-1113, Budapest, Karolina út 19-21.</i> E-mail: <i>mihaly.sandor@ovsz.hu</i> All other relevant documents (Logbook, certificates of attendance of educational activities, certificates of eligibility and training in transplant coordination) should be scanned and emailed to the Senior Secretary. The deadline for submission of application for eligibility will be six months minimum prior to the date of the next exam (four months exceptionally in 2011).</p> | |
| <p>2. Enclose a copy of your CV.</p> <p>3. Enclose two passport size photographs.</p> <p>4. Add pages at the end with information that does not fit on the form</p> | |
| <p style="text-align: center;">FAMILY NAME</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NATIONALITY</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TELEPHONE</p> <p>.....</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">FIRST NAMES</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOME ADDRESS (if different)</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FAX</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">E-MAIL</p> <p>.....</p> |
| <p>PRESENT APPOINTMENT (title, department and hospital address)</p> <p>.....</p> | |
| <p>PLEASE TICK THE MODULE/S YOU WISH TO APPLY FOR</p> <p>Module 1: General Transplant Coordination</p> <p>Module 2: Donation after Circulatory Death Coordination</p> | |

Module 3: Living Donor Coordination

Module 4: Recipient Coordination

Module 5: Tissue Donation Coordination

FEES

The amount of 400 euros must be paid to the Section of Surgery of the UEMS/ EBS, stating it is for the Board of Transplant Coordination, Division of Transplantation. This can be done by cheque, money order, or by providing details of a credit card. The amount of 200 euros allows you to be considered for eligibility in all the modules you wish to sit at one session, and 200 euros is the examination fee if you are considered eligible. In the case that you are not found eligible, the 200 euros examination fee will be returned to you.

In exceptional circumstances, an application for a reduced fee can be considered. The reasons for such an application must be clarified.

Name of the Bank: Berner Kantonalbank, CH-3001 Bern, Switzerland

Name of the Bank account: EBS, Division of Transplantation

International Bank Account Number: IBAN CH58 0079 0016 2691 7239 0

BIC Code: KBBECH22

PLEASE ATTACH CERTIFICATES (TRANSLATED IN ENGLISH IF NOT IN ENGLISH ORIGINALLY) CONFIRMING THAT YOU BELONG TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- You are a practising transplant coordinator and have completed your basic training as a health care professional in a country which is a member of the EU or the UEMS and have accomplished your transplant coordination training in an official course recognized by the UEMS in EU or UEMS member countries.
- You are a practising transplant coordinator and have completed your basic training as a health care professional in a country which is not a member of the EU or the UEMS and have accomplished your transplant coordination training in an official course recognized by the UEMS in EU or UEMS member countries.
- You have a temporary or a permanent licence to be trained or practise transplant coordination in EU or UEMS member countries and have accomplished your transplant coordination training in EU or UEMS member countries.

The English-translated certificates need to be co-signed by one of the BTC representatives from the same country as the original certificates. If the member raises any concerns, further documentation may be required.

FORMAL HEALTH CARE EDUCATION

Diplomas and Degrees

Please scan certified copies of the relevant certificates translated in English if not in English originally

| Institution | Dates (from-to) | Degree/Diploma |
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Specialist training in transplant coordination

Please scan certified copies of the relative certificates translated in English if not in English originally

| Institution | Dates (from-to) | Certificates |
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Authorization to Practice

Please scan certified copies of the relative certificates translated in English if not in English originally

| Authority | Date | Registration |
|-----------|-------|--------------|
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Years of experience as Transplant Coordinator, please indicate place of employment and position and duration in each place.

| Institution | Dates (from-to) | Position |
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DECLARATION BY APPLICANT

I wish to apply for Part I (Eligibility) of the Certificate of European Transplant Coordination (CETC) for modules (please circle number/s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. I declare that all information provided on this form in support of my application is correct.

Signature

Name in block capitals

Date

Please provide the following documents:

- Certificate of present job as a TC (signed and stamped hard copy)
- Certificate of Experience as a TC (scanned)
- A copy of your Valid License as Health Care Professional (scanned)
- TC Training Diploma(s)/Certificates (scanned)
- CV

Interview with Mirela Busic

This is a new section of the News where we want to interview ETCO members who are involved in fast-track developments and new projects as this is of interest to other members who may follow the same direction.

Mirela Busic is National Transplant Coordinator for Croatia, Head of the Department for Special Health Care Programs and Transplantations and Professional Expert Advisor to the Croatian Ministry of Health and Social Welfare. She is also a member of the Council of Europe Committee of experts on organizational aspects (SP-CTO), Observer Member of Eurotransplant International Foundation Board, Member of Eurotransplant International Foundation Board, and member of the ETCO Certification Committee.

What is happening with transplantation in Croatia?

Croatian transplantation medicine has a successful, 40-year history: the first kidney transplantation was carried out in 1971, heart transplant in 1988 and liver transplant in 1990. Nowadays, transplantation of all solid organs (with the exception of the lung) represents a standardised procedure implemented in clinical practice in our 5 university hospitals.

In recent years, an increase in the donor rate has allowed our transplant centers to grow and increase their transplant activities and their capacity. In 2010 the total number of organs transplanted from deceased donors increased by 54%, and the transplant rate from deceased donors reached 81 pmp (kidney transplant rate 54 pmp, heart transplants rate 8.1 pmp and liver transplant rate 22 pmp).

How do you explain the increase in donor rates?

Although the first organ transplantation in Croatia was conducted 40 years ago, just 10 years ago Croatia was still lagging far behind the European countries with a donor rate of only 2.7 pmp. The early evolution of transplant surgery techniques in Croatia was not followed by the development of proper logistics and an organizational model, while the political and historical situation and the Croatian Homeland war (1991-1996) additionally slowed down the development of the donation and transplantation program.

In the late nineties, after the Croatian Homeland war, the extremely small number of donors and transplants led Parliament to enact the Resolution on Organ Donation. In 2000, a two-level network of transplant coordinators was established – National (Ministry of Health) and Hospital level. Since 2000, the gradual implementation of organizational procedures and some elements of the ‘Spanish model’ (such as the two-level network of transplant coordinators, incentive paid to donor

hospital, training program for coordinators...) has led to a steady increase in the donor rate in Croatia. In 2010, Croatia’s donor numbers exploded, increasing by 64.9%, and achieving the donor rate of 30 pmp (actual donors) and 28.8 pmp (realized donors), which ranks us as a world leader in organ donor rate together with Spain and Portugal. The astonishing results achieved in 2010 crown 10 years’ hard work and health politics, as well as the Transplantation Program conceived as the national, public-health interest of the Republic of Croatia. Croatia has risen to a role model status which other South East European countries would like to follow.

Could you tell us more about the meeting planned in Macedonia in May. What are the objectives?

Two strong, simultaneous initiatives aimed at supporting the countries of Southeast Europe in enhancing organ donation and transplantation have accidentally coincided: one very important one from professional societies led by TTS and ESOT, together with ISODP and ETCO, and the other from the Croatian Ministry of Health, acting as a SEE Regional health development centre focusing on organ donation and transplantation.

Croatia is a country that has made a huge leap forward in the last couple of years and is among the best in the field of organ donation and transplantation. At the same time, the countries in the southeast region of Europe are still falling behind in that practice, and the Croatian results are encouraging them to follow its example.

Macedonia, together with other SEE countries, is a country with professionals determined to provide their patients with health care of European standards and the modern accomplishments of transplantation medicine.

This meeting in Macedonia in May should bring together professionals and representatives from all SEE countries’ health authorities to discuss the ways to accomplish that goal.

You are involved in the Certificate of European Transplant Coordination on the ETCO Scientific Committee. How do you see this project?

Yes, I’m really honoured to take a part in the Committee, and I see this project as a very important step forward in the quality and recognition of the transplant coordinators’ profession on a European level.

Where should we put our efforts in the future to increase donor rates?

Promotion of the coordinators’ role and education of coordinators and ICU doctors still remains one of the most important roles and an imperative of ETCO activity and commitment.

Dubrovnik, Croatia – host of the ETCO congress 2012

The 2012 European Organ Donation Congress, 23rd ETCO Congress, will be held in Dubrovnik, Croatia, under the name “**Transplant Coordination: science needs a heart**”.

Proposed dates are: **4th-7th October 2012**. The meeting will be organized locally by the Donor Network of Croatia. The meeting will take place at the Valamar Lacroma Hotel which is in close vicinity of the Old Town. This beautiful hotel has the largest conference centre in the region.

The LOC is established and some congress planning meetings have already been held to plan and develop a very interesting and up-to-date program, which will include pre-congress workshops. During the congress the CETC examinations will be held by the U.E.M.S. Board of Transplant Coordination, Division of Transplantation in close cooperation with ETCO.

We are very pleased to be organizing the first ETCO Congress in this part of Europe. The LOC believe that the ETCO Congress will certainly encourage donation and transplantation in Southeastern European countries, especially now, when Croatia has reached high rates in organ

donation. Promotion and organization of organ donation in these countries is a challenging task and there is no better way to start than with the ETCO congress.

We will be very happy to share our experiences.

*Nikola Zgrablic, M.D. CETC
LOC chair person*

Elections 2011

Elections for the board will open in May 2011. All ETCO members are eligible to present or nominate another ETCO member for election to the board. Terms on the board are for four years except vice-president and president which are 2 years each. Half the board is renewed every two years. Voting will be online and members will have six weeks to present their candidacy and then two months to vote. More information is on the ETCO website including the profiles of the board positions. Members will be informed by email and on the web when the election period is open.

Cardiff Congress Feedback

2010 European Organ Donation Congress, 22nd ETCO Cardiff, United Kingdom – 24 - 26 September 2010

ETCO 2010 PROGRAMME EVALUATION

EVALUATION FORMS RECEIVED: 50

| | Very satisfied | Satisfied | Neutral | Dissatisfied | Very dissatisfied |
|--|----------------|-----------|---------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1) Overall, how satisfied are you with this program | 48% | 46% | 6% | 0% | 0% |
| 2) Please indicate how you feel about the following statements concerning this program: | | | | | |
| | Very satisfied | Satisfied | Neutral | Dissatisfied | Very dissatisfied |
| a) The program met the stated educational objectives | 44% | 48% | 8% | 0% | 0% |
| - At the end of the Congress, the attendees will have an updated knowledge on advancements in the field: | 48% | 45% | 7% | 0% | 0% |
| - Awareness has been raised of transplant coordination as a key factor in improving organ donation rates and improve understanding that the organ shortage is the greatest impediment to organ transplantation | 53% | 42% | 5% | 0% | 0% |
| b) Have I learned something from this event | 46% | 50% | 4% | 0% | 0% |
| c) The quality of the content was appropriate | 40% | 54% | 6% | 0% | 0% |
| d) The quality of the speakers was appropriate | 38% | 51% | 11% | 0% | 0% |
| e) The event was well organised | 48% | 40% | 12% | 0% | 0% |
| f) The location/venue was appropriate for the event | 56% | 38% | 6% | 0% | 0% |
| g) The program staff was courteous. | 53% | 41% | 6% | 0% | 0% |

3) I would recommend this program to a colleague. 100% Yes No

Why / Why not recommend this program?

- Good
- Educational and fun
- Provides excellent overview of current issues
- For networking and learning EU/UK experiences
- Content of the programme very appropriate to transplant coordinators
- Diverse range of topics covered. Good for sharing ideas
- Useful to know what is happening around the world and how practices are doing/working
- Interesting and varied programme, Excellent speakers
- Not too big event, enough different subjects
- Diversification of topics
- Well organised
- Interesting
- Keynote speakers excellent
- Well organised and informative
- Very informative for all levels of staff, well organised
- NHSBT – All speakers excellent

4) This program was free of commercial bias. 96% Yes 4% No

5) How would you improve this program?

- A little more info on the subject matter of each talk in the program
- Shorter days please – esp. for those who travelled far with jetlag
- More technical help with power point equipment. Better lunch than sandwiches
- Warmer venue
- Couldn't hear any questions from audience (no microphones)
- We missed some talks because of our meeting on the first day plus sessions during the poster presentations
- Maybe some more focus on direct clinic practice for medical and psychosocial work
- Quality of invited speakers (not those called for abstracts) could be evaluated somehow before (sometimes a good topic but poor presentation)
- A more appropriate environment for poster sessions (it was too noisy and they were started while speaker sessions had not yet finished yet)
- The lunch food was very poor
- Fewer parallel sessions
- Keep timings
- Please write out words instead of UEMS – ESICM – ELPAT... don't know what it means
- Maybe slightly longer breaks – it's a long day!
- The time was very often late
- Better lunch, more options
- Refreshments very poor

6) Please tick the top three (3) reasons why you decided to attend this program?

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|-----|------------------------------------|------|----------|
| 66% | Quality of speakers | 446% | Location |
| 72% | Chance to interact with colleagues | 664% | Topics |
| 2% | Needed credits | 8% | Other |
| 16% | Chance to interact with speakers | | |

- **Other**
- Recently joined O.D committee in local hospital
- Presenting
- Meet colleagues

7) What topics, speakers, etc. would you like to see in future programs?

- BME population and their perspectives
- Donor relatives – donor detection
- More from UK
- Donor family needs
- Statistics
- Paul Murphy
- Workshop on requesting and providing ??? support (1)

Please tick one box

| | EXCELLENT | GOOD | FAIR | POOR |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 9) How do you rate the structure and format of the meeting? | 46% | 46% | 8% | 0% |
| 10) Please rate the meeting overall in terms of it being a useful & educational meeting and its fulfilment of your own personal objectives | 46% | 48% | 6% | 0% |
| | EXCELLENT | Very relevant & interesting GOOD | Partly relevant & interesting FAIR | Not at all relevant or interesting POOR |

Calendar of Events

April 13-16, 2011

**31st Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions
of the International Society for Heart & Lung
Transplantation (ISHLT)**

San Diego (USA)

Information: [www.isHLT.org/meetings/
annualMeeting.asp](http://www.isHLT.org/meetings/annualMeeting.asp)

August 31-September 2, 2011

XIV Congress of the European Shock Society

Taormina, Giardini Naxos, Italy

Information: AIM Congress Srl, Florence, Italy

Phone: +39.05523388.1, fax: +39.0552480246

e-mail: shock2011.reg@aimgroup.eu

ETCO has a joint session on “Modifying Ischemia
Reperfusion Injury for Graft Survival”

September 4-5, 2011

**ETCO/EDC Joint Meeting on Organ Donation
and Transplantation**

at the ESOT Congress in Glasgow.

September 4-7, 2011

**European Society for Organ Transplantation
(ESOT)**

Glasgow, Scotland

Information: www.esot.org

September 23-26, 2011

**Transplant Immunosuppression 2011: The Dif-
ficult Issues**

Minneapolis, MN, USA

Information: www.cmecourses.umn.edu, e-mail:
cme@umn.edu

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October 1-5, 2011

**European Society of Intensive Care Medicine
(ESICM), 24th Annual Congress**

Berlin, Germany

Information: www.esicm.org

ETCO participates in a joint session with ESICM
on transplant coordination

November 27-30, 2011

**International Society of Donation and
Procurement (ISODP), 11th Congress**

Buenos Aires, Argentina

Information: www.isodp2011.org.ar

April 18-21, 2012

**The International Society for Heart and Lung
Transplantation (ISHLT), 32nd Annual Meeting**

Prague, Czech Republic

Information: www.isHLT.org

ETCO is hoping to have joint sessions at the ISHLT
and ETCO congresses in 2012.



EUROPEAN TRANSPLANT COORDINATORS ORGANIZATION

On behalf of the entire membership, ETCO would like to thank several companies:

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Thanks to the generous support of all these companies,
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