Forthcoming Advanced Training Programme

03.10.2011 / Rimini, Italy
EFORT Forum during SIOT Congress – Integrated approach to the management of non-unions of long bones

12.10.-14.10.2011 / Vienna, Austria
EPOS-EFORT BAT Instructional Course – Traumatology Course III

15.10.2011 / Athens, Greece
EFORT Forum during HAOST Congress – Advances in Musculoskeletal Traumatology

16.11.-12.11.2011 / Basel, Switzerland
Instructional Course – Osteoarthritis: Joint preserving surgery of the lower extremity

19.10.2011 / Estoril, Spain
EFORT Forum during SPOT Congress – Controversies on Knee Surgery

20.10.2011 / Timisoara, Romania
EFORT Forum during SOROT Congress – Pelvic and acetabular fractures

01.11.2011 / Breda, Turkey
EFORT Forum during TOTBID Congress – Femoroacetabular impingement

10.11.2011 / Paris, France
EFORT Forum during SOFCOT Congress – Osteosynthesis and rupture

11.11.-12.11.2011 / Freil, Switzerland
Instructional Course – Osteoarthritis: Joint preserving surgery of the lower extremity

28.03.-30.03.2012 / Vienna, Austria
EPOS-EFORT BAT Instructional Course – Basic Course III

20.04.-21.04.2012 / Athens, Greece
EPOS-EFORT BAT Instructional Course – Hip – Advancing the science and art of hip arthroscopy, primary and revision hip arthroplasty

EFORT Awards – Copenhagen Congress, 2011

On the occasion of the 12th EFORT Congress in Copenhagen 2011, EFORT awarded the following prizes for free papers and e-posters judged by the EFORT Scientific papers and Awards committees.

Free Paper Awards 2011
The winners of the three best free papers were:

Gold Award: Christoph Albers
Optimal acetabular re-orientation and offset correction improve the long-term results after peri-acetabular osteotomy

Silver Award: Pietro Ruggieri
Teleangiectatic osteosarcoma: an analysis of 87 cases

Bronze Award: Oystein Gothesen
Inferior short-term outcome of 1465 computer-navigated primary total knee replacements. A report from the Norwegian Arthroplasty Register 2005-2008

Jacques Duparc Awards 2011
The ten best e-posters of the congress were:

Ferian Abu-Bardak
Partial medial meniscus substitution with the collagen meniscal implant, 10-year follow-up

Chris Baxendale
Current trends in the surgical management of Dupuytren’s disease in Europe: an analysis of patient charts

Michael Drexler
Radiological evaluation of the hip joint following endoprosthetic replacement of the proximal femur

Ali Mostafavi
Central acetabular osteophytes (lateral tooth sign) and peri-acetabular arthritis (seagull sign); two of the earliest signs of osteoarthritis of the hip joint

Rory Norris
Diabetes mellitus and hip fracture: a study of 5966 cases

Rory Norris
Occurrence of secondary fracture around intramedullary nails used for trochanteric hip fractures; a systematic review of 13,566 patients

Satoru Ohashi
Measurement of articular cartilage thickness using a 3-D image reconstructed from B-mode ultrasonography mechanical scans—comparison with MRI-derived data.

Hirotaka Ohishi
X-ray-analysis of femoro-acetabular impingement – the relationship between “cross-over” sign, spinal alignment and impingement signs in the Iwaki Health Promotional Project

Dragos Popescu
Comparison of synovial fluid parameters after total knee replacement between cobalt-chrome/polyethylene and titanium/polyethylene bearings. A prospective, randomized study

Erik Wilde
Retrospective analysis of hallux valgus surgery by ligapod arthrodesis with polyaxial locking plates

EFORT Allied Professions Award 2011

Bodil Samuelsson
Gender differences in comorbidity and complications after hip fracture

EFORT Tribology Award 2011

Charles Bradnock
A multi-centre study of the mid-term wear results of highly cross-linked polyethylene THR components

Nordic Best Poster Prize 2010

Bart Boelen, The Netherlands
Risk assessment for pseudotumour after metal-on-metal large-diameter femoral head total hip arthroplasty: A prospective cohort study

EFORT congratulates all the AWARD winners of the EFORT Congress, Copenhagen 2011 and thanks them for their great efforts.

All abstracts of the winners are available on our website:
www.efort.org/training
EFORT General Assembly elects new Executive Board members & National Member Society

COPENHAGEN – The General Assembly of the European Federation of National Associations of Orthopaedics and Traumatology (EFORT) announced the election of new Executive Board members at the 12th EFORT Congress.

The General Assembly elected Dr. Manuel Cassiano Neves, Portugal as EFORT’s new Vice President, Asst. Prof. Dr. Per Kjærsgaard-Andersen, Denmark as the Secretary General, and Dr. George Macheras, Greece as a new Member at Large. Prof. Dr. Philippe Neyret, France was re-elected to a second term as Member at Large for EFORT. Additionally, Prof. Dr. Pierre Hoffmeyer was confirmed as new EFORT President. P. Hoffmeyer, M. Cassiano Neves, P. Kjærsgaard-Andersen, G. Macheras and P. Neyret will start their terms of office on 1 January 2012 and will serve until 31 December 2013.

Our collaboration with the industry is with great pleasure and satisfaction announced the election of National Associations of Orthopaedic Surgeons - BRSMTOS

Belarus Republic Scientific Medical Society of Trauma and Orthopedic Surgeons (BRSMTOS) is a non-governmental organisation with the main purpose to improve the quality of national trauma and orthopedic care. It was founded in 1965 by Prof. A. Kryuk and now includes seven regional organisations according to the number of regions in the country. Currently there are 386 members in the Society that are working across the country. There are 135 district hospitals in Belarus that provide general surgical care, 40 of them have special orthopedic trauma departments. High-level orthopedic centres are located in each regional centre (6). The capital has its own centre for 280 beds and the Republic Scientific and Practical Centre for Trauma and Orthopedic Surgery (340 beds) is located in Minsk. In total, there are about 3600 beds for trauma and orthopedic cases in Belarus. More than 6000 hip and knee replacements, 20,000 arthroscopy and 2000 operations on spine are performed in the country every year. The surgical spectrum ranges from arthroscopy to correction of scoliotic deformities and tumor surgery. A number of foreign surgeons came to study in the leading hospitals of Belarus. The Belarus school of trauma and orthopedic surgery is famous across the former USSR states for advances in spinal surgery, hip dysplasia and hip replacement.

Our Society regularly holds scientific conferences and other educational events on a regional and international level. The last one devoted to the 80th anniversary of Belarus Republic Scientific and Practical Centre for Trauma and Orthopedic Surgery was held in October 2010. About 400 participants from Belarus, Russia, Ukraine, Poland and Germany took part in that conference which reflects our scientific and practical cooperation with these countries. National congresses are held every 4 years and have significant impact on the development and organisation of orthopedic care and the education and surgical skills of participants.

In the last decade the orthopedic and trauma care in Belarus developed quickly due to modern technologies that became available for our patients. This is the main reason for us to join the other international societies for further cooperation and improvement of our skills and knowledge.

As Chairman of the 12th EFORT Congress, it is with great pleasure and satisfaction that I think and look back to our Congress in Copenhagen. 6,500 participants from over 90 nations around the world made this Congress another impressive demonstration of the scientific and educational power within the European orthopaedic faculty in EFORT. We received much positive on-site feedback from participants from across Europe. Our collaboration with the industry also makes annual progress, and this year in Copenhagen was well attended by both industry and high-profile visitors to the exhibition area. The congress centre (Bella Center) showed both the expertise and professionalism to handle an international congress with such huge numbers of participants.

More new sessions were implemented during the four-day congress. Most impressive were the Honorary Morscher and Freemans lectures. Both were highlighted in the programme, and were well attended in the large main auditorium. The new Difficult Case presentations, with a discussion of 4-5 difficult cases within specialist fields, also attracted enormous attention. All five sessions were crowded, and this shows us that orthopedic surgeons love to see and discuss the latest developments in our practice. A full-day nurse’s session was also organised in Copenhagen. More than 200 nurses registered, and the feedback is promising.

Copenhagen showed us the sunny side of Denmark for all four days, as temperatures rose. This made the evenings in downtown Copenhagen very attractive, with the harbourfront and Nyhavn the main gathering points. The main social event of the Congress took place in the newly built Opera House. More than 800 congress participants and their partners enjoyed an extraordinary stage performance from the Danish Royal Opera and Theatre, and a wonderful dinner in the atrium overlooking downtown Copenhagen at sunset.

These are the things of which life-long memories are made. It added a whole new dimension to the famous song by Danny Kaye “Wonderful, Wonderful Copenhagen.”

Asst. Prof. Per Kjærsgaard-Andersen: Chairman 12th EFORT Congress Copenhagen