PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM MADJID SAMII SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL NEUROSURGEONS uvevsa Neurosurgery as a Way of Life O

Under the auspices of the President of Montenegro H.E. Mr. Filip Vujanovic

## 6<sup>th</sup> MASSIN CONGRESS

Hosted by Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society - SeENS

October 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2017, Becici, Budva, Montenegro



Congress coordinators

**Southeast Europe Neurosurgical Society - SeENS Clinical Center of Montenegro, Clinic of Neurosurgery Association of Physicians of Montenegro Serbian Neurosurgical Society** 



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# Neurosurgery as a Way of Life



Dear colleagues and friends,

It is my great honour, privilege and pleasure to welcome you to the 6<sup>th</sup> MASSIN Congress in Becici, Budva, Montenegro, October 26-29 2017.

As is well known, the MASSIN meetings, aimed at sharing and developing Prof. Madjid Samii's vision and philosophy in neurosurgery, always have a special flavour due to the unique synergy of expertise and friendship. Aiming to enhance this synergy, the 6<sup>th</sup> MASSIN Congress is dedicated to a special anniversary – the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of Prof. Madjid Samii, whose outstanding contribution to the field is captured in the motto "Neurosurgery as a Way of Life", and can be acronymically summarized as follows:

M Mission
A Achievement
D Devotion
J Journey
I Inspiration
D Depth

S Sophistication
A Advancement
M Merit
I Innovation
I Instruction

In this brief characterization, particularly noteworthy are the three "Is" – **inspiration**, **innovation**, **instruction**. Prof. Madjid Samii is a living proof of the classic proverb "The best mode of instruction is to practice what we preach".

The 6<sup>th</sup> Massin Congress is hosted by the **Southeast European Neurosurgical Society (SeENS)**, which, guided by Prof. Madjid Samii's principles of the humanity of science, aims at promoting borderless academic, scientific, educational, professional, interpersonal and social exchange.

The choice of the Congress venue – the enchanting Mediterranean town of Budva, Montenegro, where mountains meet the sea and history meets the future – reflects the idea of borderless cooperation.

The Congress is organized in coordination with the **Association of Physicians in Montenegro, Clinical Centre of Podgorica/Clinic of Neurosurgery,** and **Serbian Neurosurgical Society**, and endorsed by the **Ministry of Health of Montenegro**.

We envisage a rich, dynamic and thought-provoking scientific programme, without specific thematic limits – presentations addressing all aspects of neurosurgery and neurosciences are welcomed. Aiming to further enhance and deepen true exchange of ideas and energy, we also envisage an outstandingly vibrant and exciting social programme. In other words, all the elements are there to make the 6<sup>th</sup> MASSIN Congress a memorable experience.

Come and remember!

Prof. dr Lukas Rasulic, Serbia
Congress President
SNSS President
SeENS Vice-President



## **MASSIN 2017 ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**



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- Dr Vlado Popovic, Department of Neurosurgery Special hospital "Vaso Cukovic", Risan
- **Dr Luka Borovinic,** Neurosurgery intern (resident)
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- **Dr Ana Savicevic,** Neurosurgery intern (resident)
- Dr Rade Scekic, Neurosurgery intern (resident)



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**Prof. dr Amer Al Shurbaji,**Jordan

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### PAST MASSIN CONGRESS PRESIDENTS

THE FIRST
 MASSIN MEETING
 was held on August 2007
 Tubingen, GERMANY
 President: Marcos Tatagiba



THE FOURTH
 MASSIN MEETING
 was held on September 2013
 Kobe, JAPAN
 President: Eiji Kohmura



• THE SECOND

MASSIN MEETING

was held on July 2009

Curitiba, BRAZIL

President: Ricardo Ramina



THE FIFTH
 MASSIN MEETING
 was held on November 2015
 Dead sea, JORDAN
 President: Amer Al Shurbaji



THE THIRD
 MASSIN MEETING
 was held on July 2011
 Seattle, USA
 President: Laligam Sekhar



### PAST MASSIN INTERIM MEETINGS PRESIDENTS

THE FIRST MASSIN
 INTERIM MEETING
 was held on April 2012
 Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL
 Organized by:
 José Alberto Landeiro and
 Ricardo Ramina
 during the XXXV CLAN
 (Latin American
 Neurosurgical Congress)



- THE SECOND MASSIN
   INTERIM MEETING
   was held on April 2016
   Tehran, IRAN
   Organized by:

   Mohamad Ghodsi
   during the 5th Symposium
   of World Federation
   of Neurosurgical Societies



## **INVITED SPEAKERS - FACULTY / confirmed so far**

Al Shurbaji Amer, Jordan Ammirati Mario, USA Andreou Alexandros, Greece Antunovic Vaso, Serbia Arnautovic Kenan, USA Arraez Sanchez Miguel, Spain **Bertalanffy Helmut,** Germany Bosnjak Roman, Slovenia Caparoski Aleksandar, Macedonia Ciurea Alexandru-Vlad, Romania **Demetriades Andreas.** UK Djilvesi Djula, Serbia El Khamlichi Abdeslam, Morocco Enchev Yavor Petkov, Bulgaria Fahlbusch Rudolf, Germany Ferraresi Stefano, Italy Filipce Venko, Macedonia Florian Ioan Stefan, Romania Foroglou Nicolas, Greece Gabrovsky Nikolay, Bulgaria Garozzo Debora, Italy Gentili Fred, Canada **Gerganov Venelin,** Germany Kanaan Imad N., Saudi Arabia Kawase Takeshi, Japan Kohmura Eiji, Japan Konovalov Alexander, Russia Lafuente Jesus, Spain Lakicevic Novak, Montenegro Ling Feng, China

Millesi Hanno, Austria Morcos Jacques J., USA Olldashi Fatos, Albania Omerhodzic Ibrahim, BiH Peker Selçuk, Turkey Potapov Alexander, Russia Ramina Ricardo, Brazil Rasulic Lukas, Serbia Richling Bernd, Austria Rotim Kresimir, Croatia Sajko Tomislav, Croatia Samii Amir, Germany Samii Madjid, Germany Selviaridis Panagiotis, Greece Skomorac Rasim, BiH Socolovsky Mariano, Argentina Solaroglu Ihsan, Turkey **Spagnuolo Edgardo,** Uruguay Splavski Bruno, Croatia Stojanovic Nebojsa, Serbia Tomasello Francesco, Italy Tu Yong Kwang, Taiwan Türe Ugur, Turkey Turel Keki, India Urculo-Bareno Enrique, Spain von Wild Klaus, Germany Vorsic Matjaz, Slovenia Vukic Miroslav, Croatia Vulekovic Petar, Serbia **Zverina Eduard,** Chech Republic

## THURSDAY, October 26th 2017

Hall 1

o8.00 Registration

### **PLENARY SESSION – HEALTH CARE**

- 09.00-09.20 **History of Neurosurgery in Montenegro** *Novak Lakicevic, Montenegro*
- 09.20-09.40 **History of Neurosurgery in Serbia** *Vaso Antunovic, Serbia*
- 09.40-10.00 **Primary Health Care in Montenegro** *Nebojsa Kavaric, Montenegro*
- 10.00-10.20 Current Concepts and Future Perspectives of Health Care in Montenegro
  Kenan Hrapovic, Montenegro
- 10.20-10.40 **Neurosurgery and Neuroscience in Southeast Europe** Lukas Rasulic, Serbia
- 10.40-11.00 Discussion & Getting together

#### **OPENING CEREMONY**

#### 11.00-12.00 Welcome Addresses

Prof. Dr Lukas Rasulic, Congress President, SNSS President, Serbia

H.E. Filip Vujanovic, President of Montenegro

Dr Kenan Hrapovic, Ministry of Health of Montenegro

**Dr Sanja Damjanovic**, Ministry of Science of Montenegro

Prof. Radmila Vojvodic, Rector, University of Montenegro

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**Prof. dr Novak Lakicevic**, Head of Neurosurgery Department, CMC of Montenegro, OC Co-President

Prof. dr Kresimir Rotim, SeENS President, OC Co-President, Croatia

## THURSDAY, October 26<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 1

### 12.00-13.00 KEY NOTE LECTURE

Neurosurgery as a way of life - Madjid Samii INTRO Lukas Rasulic

13.00-14.00 Lunch

	PLENARY SESSION – VASCULAR
14.00-14.20	Role of Bypass Surgery for Cerebral Ischemia and Moyamoya disease in 2017 Jacques J. Morcos, USA
14.20-14.40	Surgical management of giant and complex intracranial aneurysm Yong Kwang Tu, Taiwan
14.40-15.00	Revolutionary Change for Dural avf Treatment – 800 Cases Experience Feng Ling, China
15.00-15.20	Embolization or Microsurgery for Brain Aneurysms in 2017 Bernd Richling, Austria
15.20-15.40	Traumatic Extracranial and Intracranial Dissections.  Diagnosis and Therapeutic management  Alexandros Andreou, Greece
15.40-16.00	Coiling or Clipping in the Management of Intracranial Aneurysms Panagiotis Selviaridis, Greece
16.00-16.20	<b>Microsurgery/endovascular/combined treatment of intracranial vascular lesions</b> Kresimir Rotim, Croatia
16.20-16.40	Aneurysms Surgery in the 8 and 9 Decade - Misdiagnosis in SAH – Surgery of Aneurysms After Coil Edgardo Spagnuolo, Uruguay
16.40-17.00	Impact of Intraoperative Rupture of Cerebral Aneurysms on Final Outcome of Intervention Novak Lakicevic, Montenegro
17.00-17.20	<b>Hybrid Vascular Neurosurgery in Skopje, Macedonia</b> Venko Filipce, Macedonia
17.20-17.40	<b>Cerebral Vasospasm After Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Haemorrhage</b> Djula Djilvesi, Serbia
17 40-18 00	Discussion

## FRIDAY, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 1

08.00	Registration				
	PLENARY SESSION – SKULL BASE				
09.00-09.20	Cranyopharyngiomas: a Lifetime of Lessons, Pitfalls and Surgical Results Alexander Konovalov, Russia				
09.20-09.40	Skull Base Surgery - Beyond the Approach Eiji Kohmura, Japan				
09.40-10.00	Petroclival Meningiomas Ricardo Ramina, Brazil				
10.00-10.20	Management of Central Skull Base Meningiomas a Judgement Call Imad N. Kanaan, Saudi Arabia				
10.20-10.40	The Role of Basal Cisterns in the Development of Skull Base Meningiomas Ioan Stefan Florian, Romania				
10.40-11.00	Parasellar Tumors: Surgical Strategy Based on the Meningeal Anatomy Takeshi Kawase, Japan				
11.00-11.20 11.20-11.40	Discussion Coffee break				
11.40-12.00	Anterior Skull Base Meningiomas: Is There Any Role for the Endoscopic Approach: Fred Gentili, Canada				
12.00-12.20	What are the Perspectives of the Vestibular Schwannoma (VS) Treatment? Vaso Antunovic, Serbia				
12.20-12.40	Microsurgical Anatomy of the Internal Auditory Canal in Vestibular Schwannomas by Samii's Technique Enrique Urculo-Bareno, Spain				
12.40-13.00	Management of Large Cranyopharyngiomas: Approach Selection Venelin Gerganov, Germany				
13.00-13.20	Anterior Cranial Base Lesions: The Supraorbital Approach is Safe and Less Invasive Alberto Delitala, Italy				
13.20-13.40	Vestibular Schwannoma Microsurgery - How to Avoid Postoperative Non-neurologic Complications and Infections Eduard Zverina, Chech Republic				
13.40-14.00 14.00-15.00	Discussion Lunch				

## FRIDAY, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 1

## PLENARY SESSION - NEUROONCOLOGY

15.00-15.20	Have to do Something with "Pituitary Surgery" Rudlof Fahlbusch, Germany			
15.20-15.40	<b>Pituitary Surgery: Experience in 650 Cases Using Different Approaches</b> Amer Al Shurbaji, Jordan			
15.40-16.00	Surgery of Brainstem Ponto-Mesencephalic Tumors Miguel Arraez Sanchez, Spain			
16.00-16.20	Surgical Anatomy of Supratentorial Midline Lesions Ugur Ture, Turkey			
16.20-16.40	Challenges in Brain Glioma Management Nicolas Foroglou, Greece			
16.40-17.00	Coffee break			
17.00-17.20	Gamma Knife Radiosurgery for Cystic Vestibular Schwannomas Selcuk Peker, Turkey			
17.20-17.40	New insights into the pathogenesis of high grade gliomas Ihsan Solaroglu, Turkey			
17.40-18.00	Primary Posterior Fossa Tumors in Adults Ibrahim Omerhodzic, Bosnia and Herzegovina			
18.00-18.20	Treatment of Cranial Meningiomas in Canton Hospital Zenica Rasim Skomorac, Bosnia and Herzegovina			
18.20-18.40	Endoscopic endonasal approach to medial and lateral parasellar pituitar adenomas, selected suprasellar craniopharyngiomas and meningiomas Roman Bosnjak, Croatia			
18.40-19.00	Discussion			
21.00-00.00	GALA DINNER			

## FRIDAY, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 2

## YOUNG NEUROSURGEONS FORUM MASSIN, SEENS AND SNSS AWARDS for 2017

11.00-14.00 **TBA** 

14.00-15.00 Lunch

### FREE PAPERS – ORAL PRESENTATION AND E-POSTER

15.00-16.40 **TBA** 

16.40-17.00 Coffee break

17.00-19.00 TBA

21.00-00.00 GALA DINNER

## SATURDAY, October 28th 2017

Keki Turel, India

Hall 1

08.00 Registration **PLENARY SESSION – SPINE** 09.00-09.20 Management of craneocervcial fractures Jesus Lafuente 09.20-09.40 Spinal Cord Tumors: Personal Experience Over 14 Years Kenan Arnautovic, USA Cauda Equina Syndrome and Emergency MRI Scanning: What are We Missing? 09.40-10.00 Andreas Demetriades, UK Intradural Spinal Tumors: Surgical Considerations and Institutional Experience 10.00-10.20 Tomislav Sajko, Croatia Multisegmental 3D Approaches in Resolving Pathological 10.20-10.40 **Processes of the Cervical Spine** Nebojsa Stojanovic, Serbia **Anterior Cervical Disectomy and Fusion** 10.40-11.00 Aleksandar Caparoski, Macedonia 11.00-11.20 **TBA** Miroslav Vukic, Croatia Surgical treatment options for metastatic spinal disease 11.20-11.40 Matijaz Vorsic, Slovenia 11.40-12.00 Discussion Coffee break 12.00-12.20 PLENARY SESSION – FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY Microvascular Decompression for Trigeminal Neuralgia: 12.20-12.40 **Technical Refinement for Complication Avoidance** Francesco Tomasello, Italy **Surgical Options for Epilepsy** 12.40-13.00 Mario Ammirati, USA Trigemial Neuralgia: Persisting pain despite MVD? Causes?? Solutions 13.00-13.20

## SATURDAY, October 28<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 1

13.20-13.40	The auditory midbrain implant – a new prothesis for hearing restoration in neuronal deafness  Amir Samii, Germany
13.40-14.00	Management of Sellar Region Arachnoid Cysts Concezio di Rocco, Germany
14.00-14.20	Surgery for Cranial Nerves Function Disease Giovanni Broggi, Italy
14.20-14.40	Anterior Temporal Lobectomy & Amygdalo-Hippocampectomy Associated Complications Konstantinos Fountas, Greece
14.40-15.00 15.00-16.00	Discussion Lunch

## **PLENARY SESSION – PERIPHERAL NERVE SURGERY**

16.00-16.20	The fascicular pattern of the Peripheral Nerves Hanno Millesi, Austria		
16.20-16.40	Nerve Graft- Induced Poly Focal Spinal Cord Neuroplasticity in RAT Model Klaus von Wild, Germany		
16.40-17.00	Brain Plasticity: Keep it in mind Mariano Socolovsky, Argentina		
17.00-17.20	Indications for surgery in BPI: When should we operate? Debora Garozzo, Italy		
17.20-17.40	<b>Surgery around the Neuroforamen: Indications, Technical Nuances and Results</b> Stefano Ferraresi, Italy		
17.40-18.00	Brachial Plexus Surgery - Long and Hard Task Lukas Rasulic, Serbia		
18.00-18.20	Discussion		
21.00 - 00.00	FAREWELL PARTY		

## SATURDAY, October 28<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 2

# YOUNG NEUROSURGEONS FORUM MASSIN, SEENS AND SNSS AWARDS for 2017

12.00-15.00 TBA

15.00-16.00 Lunch

### FREE PAPERS – ORAL PRESENTATION AND E-POSTER

16.00-17.30 TBA

### FREE PAPERS – ORAL PRESENTATION AND E-POSTER

17.30-18.30 TBA

21.00 - 00.00 FAREWELL PARTY

## SUNDAY, October 29<sup>th</sup> 2017

Hall 1

### PLENARY SESSION – NEUROTRAUMA

08.30-08.50	Neuroimaging of Traumatic Brain Injury: MRI versus CT Alexander Potapov, Russia				
08.50-09.10	Outcome from mild traumatic brain injury - Predicting value of MR Petar Vulekovic, Serbia				
09.10-09.30	Surgical Management of Subaxial Cervical Fractures Fatos Olldashi, Albania				
09.30-09.50	Monitoring of posttraumatic cerebral hemodynamics by transcranial Doppler sonography - a novel perspectives Bruno Splavski, Croatia				
09.50-10.10 <b>10.10-10.30</b>	Discussion Coffee break				
	PLENARY SESSION – EDUCATION				
10.30-10.50	Madjid Samii's Contribution in Emerging Neurosurgery in Africa Abdeslam El Khamlichi, Morocco				
10.50-11.10	TBA Alexandru-Vlad Ciurea, Romania				
11.10-11.30	<b>Leadership in Neurosurgery</b> Yavor Enchev, Bulgaria				
11.30-11.503	<b>D Printing in Neurosurgery</b> Nikolay Gabrovsky, Bulgaria				
11.50-12.10	Discussion				

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12.10-13.30 TBA

#### **SOCIAL PROGRAM**

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For all registered participants SOCIAL PROGRAM is included.

Please choose which program you will take part in. You can choose all.

Only Welcome Faculty reception by the invitation.

#### **RECEPTIONS**

• **Wednesday, October 25**<sup>th</sup> Welcome faculty reception (*Faculty and by invitation only*)

• Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Montenegrin traditional dinner

Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Gala dinner
 Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Farewell party

### ADDITIONAL SOCIAL PROGRAM EXCURSIONS

Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> CETINJE Old Royal Capital & LOVCEN Mausoleum
 Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> KOTOR - Fortified Town
 EUR 45,00
 EUR 50,00

#### SOCIAL PROGRAM FOR PARTICIPANT'S ACCOMPANYING PERSON

#### **RECEPTIONS**

• Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> Welcome Faculty reception (by invitation only)

• Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Montenegrin traditional dinner EUR 30,00

Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Gala dinner EUR 45,00
 Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Farewell party EUR 35,00

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 Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> KOTOR - Fortified Town
 EUR 45,00
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**NOTE**: If you are interested to visit some other Cities and places in the region, please be free to contact us with your request. We would be happy to assist you and organize a special arrangement for you.

#### IMPORTANT CONGRESS INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL GONGRES INFORMATION**

**6th MASSIN Anniversary Congress** will take place in **Bečići, Budva, Montenegro** during the period **October 26-29 2017.** Congress Venue place will be **Splendid Conference and Spa Resort.** 

The 6th MASSIN Congress is dedicated to a special anniversary – the 8oth birthday of Prof. Madjid Samii. This Congress will be hosted by the Southeast European Neurosurgical Society – SeENS, and it will be organized in coordination with the Association of Physicians in Montenegro, Clinical Centre of Podgorica / Clinic of Neurosurgery and Serbian Neurosurgical Society, and endorsed by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Montenegro.

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Congress will be accredited by EACCME and Commission for Continuing Education, the Medical Chamber of Montenegro.

The invited speakers at this event will include the world's leading experts in the field of neurosurgery, who will contribute to the exchange of new knowledge and skills.

#### **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

## 1) FREE PAPERS – ORAL PRESENTATION AND E-POSTER

You are kindly invited to submit your abstract for the congress MASSIN 2017, either for faculty, oral or poster presentation. Online abstract submission is opened and it will be closed on July 16<sup>th</sup> 2017. On time reminders will be send in the meantime periodically.

The abstract should be submitted by 15th July 2017 as on-line submission. All abstracts will be reviewed. Accepted abstracts will be published in the Abstract Book. Carefully read the guidelines stated here before submitting your abstract. Acknowledgment of receipt of your submission will be returned to your e-mail address immediately upon submission. If you do not receive our e-mail, your submission was not completed and your abstract needs to be resubmitted. Please note, that acknowledgment of receipt of your abstract submission does not mean that your abstract is accepted by the Scientific Committee. Final notification of your abstract acceptance will be send after final approval of the Scientific Committee no later than August 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

### 2) YOUNG NEUROSURGEONS FORUM – MASSIN, SEENS AND SNSS AWARDS

Continuing the good practice established at The First Annual Meeting of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society held in Belgrade in 2015, **SNSS** at this occasion with international participation, **SeENS** and **MASSIN** are pleased to announce

the Best Young Neurosurgeon Paper and Presentation Award for 2017, within their joint session. Eligible for the award are scientific papers by young neurosurgeons from Serbia and abroad (up to 40 years of age). The papers submitted for the award will be presented by their authors and assessed by a jury of national and international experts. AWARDS:

- 1. MASSIN
- 2. SeENS
- 3. SNSS Full Participation at EANS 2018 from October 21, 2018 October 25, 2018 in Brussels, Belgium.

We are also pleased to announce Young Neurosurgeons' Forum as a special segment of the academic programme of the Congress.

#### INSTRUCTION FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND E-POSTERS

- 1. Please submit your abstract thru the **Online submission FORM** at the **Congress web site** www.massin2017.me
- 2. Authors presenting abstracts must register immediately after receiving notification that their abstract has been accepted.
- 3. Abstracts must be submitted in English.
- 4. Titles should be entered in the "Title Field" in the on-line submission form and as part of the abstract.
- 5. Your abstract should be submitted (uploaded) as a Word document. Abstract text should contain no more than 1600 characters including space. Font Times New Roman 12. Presented author should be assigned with **Bold letters**. Use standard abbreviations. Place a special or unusual abbreviation in parentheses after the full word when it appears for the first time.
- 6. Any tables, graphs or diagrams should be sent together with the abstract.
- **7. Authors' names and institutions** should be entered in the appropriate fields in the **Abstract Submission Form** on the Congress web site. The following data is needed for the "Institution Field" Name of the Institution, Department, City and Country. **Coauthors names and Institution** should be part of the submitted abstract.
- 8. Please avoid references. However, if references are used they should be included in the text as: (Authors, journal, year, volume, pages).
- 9. Abstracts must be written in comprehensible English and must conform to the guidelines or they will not be accepted.
  10. It is the author's responsibility to submit a correct abstract. Any errors in spelling, grammar, or scientific fact will be reproduced as typed by the author. Changes to abstract can only be accepted until the deadline.

#### NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

Notification of acceptance / rejection will be mailed not later than **August 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**. Please contact Congress Secretary (abstract@massin2017.me) if you have not received your notification e-mail after **August 31<sup>st</sup> 2017**).

The corresponding author will receive any correspondence concerning the abstract.

### IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

Categorie	Early registration Until May 31 <sup>st</sup> 2017	<b>Late registration</b> from June 1 <sup>st</sup> 2017 until October 15 <sup>th</sup> 2017	<b>On site registration</b> from October 26 <sup>th</sup> 2017 until October 29 <sup>th</sup> 2017
Special guests			
Faculty			
Specialists	250€	300€	350€
Residents	70€	100€	120€
Medical students	free	free	free
Daily registration fee	I	I	100€
Pensioners	free	free	free

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Please be informed that registration has to be submitted and paid no later than **October 15**<sup>th</sup> **2017**.

Registration fee could be paid by Invoice (Bank transfer) or by Credit Card.

**Bank transfer:** All payments should be in Euros (€), except for residents of Serbia who can pay in local currency (RSD).

After submitting the registration form, you will receive a pro forma invoice with full bank data for the bank transfer.

**Credit card:** This option is available in the On-line Registration form.

Online registration system has a SSL (Security Socket Layer) certificate, so you can feel confident that your credit card information is secure and confidential.

There is a possibility for Nurses Satellite Symposium, which is the SeENS regular practice.

#### **SNSS & SeENS PCO: MIROSS TRAVEL AGENCY**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT MONTENEGRO

**Location:** 41° 51' and 43° 30' of the north geographic width, and between 18° 26' and 20°

21' of east geographic length

Montenegro is a south European and a Mediterranean country. It is one of the most southern European states and faces the south part of the Adriatic Sea. About 500 km from Rome, 1.500 km from Paris, and Berlin, and about 2.000 km west from Moscow, Montenegro lies on the Balkan Peninsula in the very heart of Europe.

Capital city: Podgorica
Time zone: CEST

Climate: Mediterranean

Average number of sunny days a year: 240

**Swimming season:** 180 days **Electric current:** 220V/50Hz

**Currency:** Euro

Country Code: ME, MNE

#### **HOW TO GET TO MONTENEGRO**

### Montenegro border crossings:

Croatia – Debeli Brijeg Bosnia and Herzegovina – Ilino Brdo, Scepan Polje Serbia – Jabuka, Dobrakovo, Spiljani

Kosovo – Kula

Albania – Grncar, Bozaj, Sukobin

**Montenegro Ports:** 

Bar, Budva, Kotor and Herceg Novi

**Montenegro Airports:** 

Podgorica (TGD) and Tivat (TIV)

Montenegro Visa Regime:

Find out more at

http://www.visit-montenegro.com/

montenegro-visa-regimes/

#### **HOW TO GET TO BECICI-BUDVA**

**Becici** is a part of **Budva** Municipality, Montenegro. It is located south-east of Budva, only 2 km of Budva city center.

#### By Plane

The carriers Montenegro Airlines, Air Serbia, Adria Airways, Alitalia, Austrian Airlines, Ryanair and Turkish Airlines have regular flights to and from the airports in Montenegro. During the summer months, many airlines operate charter flights to Tivat and Podgorica.

### **By Train**

Budva has railway connections with Europe through the Belgrade - Bar rail line. The nearest railway stations are Sutomore (35 km), Bar (40 km) and Podgorica (65 km).

By Car

from Podgorica - by way of Cetinje or through the Sozina tunnel by way of Petrovac (€2.50 toll for cars)

from Bar - Adriatic Road

#### By Ship

The ports of Budva, Bar, Kotor and Zelenika (Herceg Novi) have the status of international ports. The Porto Montenegro marina in Tivat can host the largest yachts (up to 150 metres long). The Port of Bar has a regular passenger ferry service, while large holiday cruisers arrive in the Port of Kotor. A regular ferry boat service operates between Bar and Bari, Italy.

#### VISAS REGIME FOR MONTENEGRO

Holders of travel documents with a valid Schengen visa, valid visa of the United States, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland or a residence permit in these countries may enter and stay, or transit the territory of Montenegro up to 30 days, but no longer of the period of validity of this visa if it less than 30 days.

Holders of travel documents issued by Member States of the European Union, the United States of America, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Iceland, the Swiss Confederation, Canada, the National Union of Australia, New Zealand and Japan, may enter and stay in Montenegro up to 30 days without a visa.

Please contact the Embassy or Consulate in order to find more details about visa regime to enter Montenegro. Information about nearest Embassy or Consulate are available at the following page of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Montenegro.

http://www.mvpei.gov.me/en/sections/Missions/Embassies-and-consulates-of-Montenegro/

### **CONGRESS VENUE / ACCOMMODATION**

### CONGRESS VENUE: Hotel Splendid Conference and Spa Resort 5\*

Address: 85310 Becici, Budva, Montenegro







### Hotel Montenegro beach resort 4\*

Address: Hotel Becici 85310 Becici, Budva, Montenegro



### **Hotel Tara 4\***

Address: Hotel Becici, Budva 85310, Montenegro



Online booking for hotel accommodation and local transportation are available on official MASSIN 2017 Congress web site www.massin2017.me where special rates are offered to you.

#### **AIRPORT TRANSFERS**

We are pleased to inform you that we will organize Airport transfers from the Podgorica, Tivat and Dubrovnik Airports to chosen accommodation and vice versa.

#### **Price for transfer:**

- \* Podgorica Airport Bečići is 40,00 EUR per person per direction.
- \* Tivat Airport Bečići is 20,00 EUR per person per direction
- \* Ćilipi Airport (Dubrovnik) Bečići is 50,00 EUR per person per direction

Pickup time for transport from the airport to the hotel is max. 30 minutes after landing. Our representative/driver will be waiting at the Arrival Terminal holding a signboard with Congress logo and/or your name on it. You will be escorted to the vehicle and transferred directly to hotel. Pickup time for transfer from the hotel to:

- \* Podgorica Airport is at least 3 hours in prior to your flight departure time.
- \* Tivat Airport is at least 2,5 hours in prior to your flight departure time.
- \* Ćilipi Airport (Dubrovnik) is at least 4 hours in prior to your flight departure time.