



European Vitreo Retinal Society

A Certain Philosophy



Dear Friends,

A new year has begun with fresh promises and novel challenges.

I hope you will all be able to fulfil your plans and ambitions, at least in part if not completely.

Most of all I wish you health, peace and joy.

We, as a Society, will do our part to make your Year a memorable one.

Our next meeting is going to be in Prague and it is going to be a truly great event.

You won't want to miss this one!

So, let me remind you that the early bird registration fee deadline is just around the corner:

January 31st.

Registration can be done at <http://www.evrs.eu/meeting/2018/>

It is hard for me to tell you in one letter all the things we are packing into this event.

The scientific program will be rich and stimulating.

We will have some outstanding lectures from Grazie Pertile the recipient of this year's "Z Award" and Richard Spaide who will deliver the 2018 EVRS Lecture.

A number of Courses will also be available.

These will last 60 minutes and address topics of general interest.

Something to satisfy everyone's taste.

Another great innovation will be the possibility to participate in our **Wet Lab sessions**.

Twelve (12) fully equipped work stations will be available with a wide choice of simulations possible with the supervision of experienced surgeons.

Plus all the other traditional "goodies" such as RETINAWS, the Young EVRS Symposium and all your precious contributions!

We would be more than happy to have your contributions in whichever form makes you most comfortable (presentations, posters, videos and/or photos).

Abstract submission can be done at:

http://www.evrs.eu/meeting/2018/Prague_Abstract_Submission.php

(deadline: March 15th, 2018).

I will not spend too many words on the Social Program but a quick look at our website will definitely convince you that only the best of the best has been organised for us all.

So, once more, don't hesitate and sign up today.

On a different topic, I would like you to access the following links:

Teatro della Pergola

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/pZiOqBCpk37gtHir1>

Palazzo Vecchio

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/RoNKdXgPPmwTKxcm1>

Palazzo Borghese

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/uwYJPKWyrTIIAgIO2>

Palazzo Pitti

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/Cwdtpt1Muys46PGv1>

where you can find and download completely free of charge all the photographs from the Florence

meeting.

Memories to be shared and treasured.

Finally, a few diverse pieces of information which could be of interest to some of you.

1- Tamer Mahmoud is currently carrying out data collection on autologous retina transplants.

This data will allow a better understanding of the indications, morphological, and functional changes post-transplant.

This collaborative work will be the basis of many studies to come and will help direct future endeavours in this field.

Anyone who is interested can contact Prof. Mahmoud at the following address:

tmahmoud@arcpc.net

2- As in previous years, we have accepted to participate in the ASRS 2018 Global Trends in Retina Survey.

We, as a Society, have a tradition of strong contribution to the survey and we will let you know as soon as it becomes available.

3- Finally, ASRS is offering a discounted annual meeting member rate to its Vancouver meeting (20-25 July) for EVRS members in good standing. Please contact Anja for further information.

That is all for the moment but I will get back to you as things move along.

All the best.

Giampaolo Gini