

EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF PERCUTANEOUS CARDIOVASCULAR INTERVENTIONS (EAPCI)



EAPCI, now two years old, boasts over 1,400 members and 8 committees, with a commitment to reducing the burden of cardiovascular disease in Europe through Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions and being an international leader in the field.

This past year has seen many new developments and activities, and we are eager to share our recent achievements.

EuroPCR, the official congress of the EAPCI held its congress in Barcelona in 2007, where we returned in 2008. New activities/sessions included Clinical case presentations, Learning the Techniques as well as Live Sessions and Innovative and emerging technologies that were extremely well attended. Our delegates also have the opportunity to receive a one year subscription to EuroIntervention, the association's journal, now providing a responsive and responsible outlet for the wealth of information in our rapidly expanding field.



Our web site continues to supply members with helpful information, including links to education and training programmes. In line with the core curriculum in Interventional Cardiology published in the EuroIntervention Journal (EIJ 2006;2:31-6) with the intention to support the development of a homogeneous high quality Interventional Cardiology in all European countries, EAPCI is

working with National Societies to identify programmes that fulfil the requirements necessary for training of young interventionalists. In keeping with training, EAPCI also offers clinical and research grants, allowing the opportunity for fellows to access excellent teaching in recognised facilities.

In continuity with the publication of the Core Curriculum, and thanks to the support of the National Working Groups, the Accreditation Committee is actively working on developing a European Accreditation Platform.

The EAPCI Board welcomes new ideas and active members to join the leading European network in Interventional Cardiology and takes this opportunity to thank all the colleagues for their commitment and reactivity in supporting EAPCI.



William Wijns
President of the European Association
of Percutaneous Cardiovascular
Interventions

