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Surgical Treatment and Options in Heart and Lung Failure

Sharing of Classic and New Approach in Cardiac Surgery

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Shangri-La Hotel
Chiang Mai, Thailand

Registration is free

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Greeting Remarks

Dear colleagues, friends and members of the RHICS,

This year, we have our Spring Symposium together again with the Annual Meeting of the Asian Society of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgeons (ASCTVS), whose Congress President, Dr.Taweesak Chotivatanapong, was very kind to invite us to join their Meeting in Chiang-Mai, a delightful progressive city in Thailand .

This is now the fifth time of such a fruitful and pleasant congregation after the previous Meetings in HongKong, (2015) Taipeh (2016), Seoul (2017) und Moscow (2018). I am very grateful to the ASCVTS for this repeated opportunity to present our achievements and ideas to a vast and rapidly growing community of cardiothoracic and vascular surgeons in prosperous and important region of the world.

The generosity of the leaders of ASCVTS illustrates how open the Society is to contributions from all over the world, thus giving ample opportunities to share knowledge and experience which embodies the principle of our "little " Society.
I am strongly convinced that this Joint Meeting will again turn out a very pleasant activity and will give us the chance to enjoy a very beautiful country with a rich culture.
I wish you all an impressive and unforgettable Meeting and stay in Chiang-Mai.All the best,

Roland Hetzer
Honorary President, RHICS e.V.

Greeting Remarks

Dear friends, colleagues, and members of the RHICS,

Our 18th Expert Forum will again bring together leaders in the field of cardiothoracic surgery and cardiovascular medicine. We are fortunate to be included in the 28th Annual Meeting of the Asian Society for Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery with an exciting scientific program. The motto of the ASCVTS this year, Togetherness Innovation and Excellence fits so well to the activities and the spirit of the RHICS, as these goals have guided our Society in its previous meetings and represents the basis on which the Hetzer Society has been built and prospered for years.

I am looking forward to meet you in the beautiful city of Chiang Mai, in the charming country of Thailand, with its distinct culture, amazing cuisine, and impressive natural sites.

We certainly will have another memorable get-together like the 17 previous Expert Fora, and I am sure we will all leave enriched by the lively discussions, new information, and the many unforgettable impressions of such a high-class meeting at such an amazing location!

I wish you all safe travels and a successful, fun-filled meeting at our 18th Expert Forum.

Best wishes,

Matthias Loebe
President, RHICS e.V.

Roland Hetzer International Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery Society

To honor the mentorship, leadership and contributions of Prof. Dr. Roland Hetzer in the field of cardiothoracic and vascular surgery, the Roland Hetzer International Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery Society (RHICS) was founded by cardiothoracic and vascular surgeons who have trained and worked under Prof. Hetzer, including former students, present staff and colleagues from all over the world. The exclusive objectives of the RHICS are:

1. to provide a forum for expert discussion on relevant cardiothoracic issues, to set up guidelines based on conclusions derived from this expert opinion forum

2. to promote cardiothoracic surgical education skills from beyond standardized and statistical (experience-based) medicine to a patient-based medicine wherein treatment approaches are individualized and personalized, and specific high-quality treatment is tailored to the patients' unique pathology so as to give them an optimal quality of life, after surgery
3. to promote continuing medical education through the holding of regular symposia and meetings and the continuance of clinical and experimental research efforts and the publication of the results in scientific journals, and

4. to foster international collaboration and cooperation in clinical practice and scientific research in cardiothoracic and vascular surgery and associated fields.

The RHICS thus hopes to continue the legacy of Prof. Hetzer.

After its conception (by Drs. Delmo Walter, Ennker and Loebe) on January 29, 2010 and tremendous concerted efforts by Drs. Gerhard Ziemer, Harald Hausmann, Michele Musci, Thomas Krabatsch, Charles Yankah, Ralf Sodian, Luc Tambeur, Hermann Kuppe and Boris Nasseri, the RHICS was legally founded on May 20, 2011 at 17:30, in the presence of its lawyer, Dr. Maren Bedau, and the Honorary President himself, Prof. Roland Hetzer.

The Constitution was signed by Drs. Ziemer, Ennker, Hausmann, Delmo Walter, Musci, Nasseri and Kuppe with distant attendance of M. Loebe (via teleconference from Houston, Texas, USA), which took place at the Deutsches Herzzentrum Library.

The RHICS Society was formally inaugurated on June 13, 2011 at the Hotel Intercontinental Berlin. It is now recognized by the German Tax Authorities as a non-profit, tax-exempted scientific organization.

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Program | Monday, Febrary 10, 2020

Session I:
Surgical Treatment and Options in Heart and Lung Failure
Moderators: Roland Hetzer | Matthias Loebe

7:00	**Welcome Remarks**	R. Hetzer (Germany)
7:05	**Heart failure: Surgical alternatives and perspectives**	R. Hetzer (Germany)
7:20	**Ventricular assist device in heart failure: Recovery of the myocardium**	M. Dandel (Germany)
7:35	**Regenerative therapy: Updates on stem cells and ist application**	G. Steinhoff (Germany)
7:50	**The role of VAD therapy in children with end-stage heart failure**	E. Javier Delmo (Germany)
8:05	**Surgical strategies in lung failure**	M. Loebe (USA)
8:20	**Discussion**	

Session II:
Sharing of Classic and New Approach in Cardiac Surgery
Moderators: E. del Javier Delmo | T. Tedoriya

8:30	**Virtual reality imaging for cardiovascular surgery: Novel 3D work-station and precise surgical strategy**	T. Tedoriya (Japan)
8:45	**HOCM: Surgical repair techniques**	R. Hetzer (Germany)
9:00	**Mitral valve repair in congenital mitral lesions**	E. Javier Delmo (Germany
9:15	**Surgery for Ebstein anomaly**	T. Jin Yun (Korea)
9:30	**Aortic reconstruction in pediatric patients: Surgical and neuro-protection techniques**	R. Cesnjevar (Germany)
9:45	Discussion	

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