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**UPDATE IN CARDIOLOGY 2015**  
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**Thursday, April 16, 2015 - Afternoon**

**Welcome Ceremony**

06.00 p.m. - 06.10 p.m. *Welcome addresses*  
**D. Vinereanu** (Romania)

06.10 p.m. - 06.50 p.m. **L.J. Ignarro** (USA)  
The Road to Stockholm: A Nobel Mission

**06.50 p.m. – 07.00 p.m. Break**

**07.00 p.m. – 07.45 p.m. Honoris Causa Ceremony**

08.00 p.m. *Welcome reception*

**Friday, April 17, 2015 - Morning**

**09.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. Session I – Heart Failure**  
**Chairpersons:** **O. Chioncel** (Romania)  
**D. Gaita** (Romania)

09.00 a.m. - 09.25 a.m. **M. Metra** (Italy)  
Prolonging life in patients with heart failure: from evidence based medicine to unfulfilled needs

09.25 a.m. - 09.50 a.m. **S.D. Anker** (Germany)  
Iron deficiency in heart failure: from epidemiology & pathophysiology to a new therapy

09.50 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. **P.M. Seferovic** (Serbia)  
Diabetes, heart failure and drugs: risks or benefits?

10.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. Discussions

**10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Coffee break**

**11.00 a.m. - 12.30 a.m. Session II – Cardiac Imaging**  
**Chairpersons:** **A.M. Iliesiu** (Romania)  
**R. Jurcut** (Romania)

11.00 a.m. - 11.25 a.m. **J.-U. Voigt** (Belgium)  
Assessment of cardiac function: what is relevant for 2015

11.25 a.m. - 11.50 a.m. **B. Khandheria** (USA)  
Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy: state of the art 2015

11.50 a.m. - 12.15 a.m. **D. Pennell** (UK)  
Diffusion tensor imaging of the heart

12.15 a.m. – 12.30 a.m. Discussions

**12.30 a.m. - 02.00 p.m. Lunch**

**Friday, April 17, 2015 - Afternoon**

**02.00 p.m. - 03.30 .m. Session III – Ischaemic Heart Diseases**

**Chairpersons:** **G. Tatu-Chitoiu** (Romania)  
**M. Cinteza** (Romania)

02.00 p.m. - 02.25 p.m. **P.G. Camici** (Italy)  
An update on the mechanisms of myocardial ischemia

02.25 p.m. – 02.50 p.m. **A. DeFranco** (USA)  
Antiplatelet therapy in coronary artery disease: state of the art

02.50 p.m. - 03.15 p.m. **J.C. Kaski** (UK)  
Rational management: role of new drugs

03.15 p.m. - 03.30 p.m. Discussions

**03.30 p.m. - 04.00 p.m. Coffee break**

**04.00 p.m. - 05.30 p.m. Session IV – Heart Rhythm Diseases**  
**Chairpersons:** **D. Dobreanu** (Romania)  
**C. Siliste** (Romania)

04.00 p.m. - 04.25 p.m. **D.C. Kress** (USA)  
Atrial fibrillation: when drugs fail

04.25 p.m. - 04.50 p.m. **D. Shah** (Switzerland)  
Current role of catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation and flutter

04.50 p.m. - 05.15 p.m. **R. Lopes** (USA)  
Stroke prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation: where do we stand in 2015?

05.15 p.m. - 05.40 p.m. **J. Camm** (UK)  
Do all the guidelines agree on the management of atrial fibrillation?

05.40 p.m. - 06.00 p.m. Discussions

**Saturday, April 18, 2015**

**09.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Session V – Interventional Cardiology**  
**Chairpersons:** **L. Zarma** (Romania)  
**C. Sinescu** (Romania)

09.30 a.m. - 09.55 a.m. **S.Q. Allaqaband** (USA)  
Percutaneous interventions in structural heart disease: all that a clinical cardiologist should know but is afraid to ask

09.55 a.m. - 10.20 a.m. **S. Silber** (Germany)  
2014 ESC/EACTS Guidelines in myocardial revascularization: what has changed?

10.20 a.m. - 10.45 a.m. **A. Colombo** (Italy)  
Bioresorbable scaffolds

10.45 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Discussions

**11.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. Coffee break**

**11.30 a.m. - 01.30 p.m. Session VI – Arterial Hypertension**  
**Chairpersons:** **M. Dorobantu** (Romania)  
**D.C. Bartos** (Romania)

11.30 a.m. - 11.55 a.m. **C. Borghi** (Italy)  
Serum uric acid and hypertension: a new route to prevention?

11.55 a.m. - 12.20 a.m. **A.F. Dominiczak** (UK)  
Genomics and arterial hypertension

12.20 a.m. - 12.45 a.m. **M. Viigimaa** (Estonia)  
How to treat hypertensive patient with erectile dysfunction?

12.45 a.m. – 01.10 p.m. **V. Thohan** (USA)  
Hypertension to heart failure: road frequently travelled

01.10 p.m. – 01.30 p.m. Discussions

**01.30 p.m. Lunch**

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