Dear Colleagues,

It is my great honor and pleasure to announce The 14th Congress of the Middle East Society for Organ Transplantation and the 5th Middle East Transplant Games to be held on September 10-13, 2014, in Istanbul, Turkey.

Organ and tissue transplantation in the Middle East has reached new heights and the expansion of fields and transplant activities in our region is very encouraging. However, we still have many battles to win, and one of these is to ensure that organ trade and transplant tourism are combated. As such, the theme of the 2014 MESOT Congress will be “Organ Donation and Ethical Conduct.”

As is the custom, the meeting is designed to provide an innovative and comprehensive overview of the latest research developments in the field of experimental and clinical tissue and organ transplantation. The conference will match the high standards set by our previous international meetings, with a comprehensive range of enlightening presentations and exhibits to inform you of the latest progress in our field.

We are equally excited about the 5th MESOT Transplant Games. This occasion for transplant athletes to participate in sporting events is also an opportunity to demonstrate the physical success of transplant surgery and raise awareness of the need to increase organ donation.

Both the local organizing committee and the Program committee, comprised of international leaders in Transplantation, are committed to providing a program that reflects current problems and represents a collection of scientific, educational, and practical information. This will be an excellent opportunity for both younger members of the profession and distinguished faculty from the world over to partake in intellectual exchange, share experiences and present their work.

In addition to the scientific events, an enjoyable social program awaits our guests in the historically and culturally diverse city of Istanbul where you will experience Turkish hospitality at its best.

We look forward to welcoming you to Istanbul in September 2014.

Sincerely,

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