

Letter of Intent for current and future collaborations between

ESO and ESMINT

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Principle goal: To create a strong bond between ESMINT and ESO.

Purpose:

- To promote ESMINT and ESO to advance stroke management and treatment in Europe,
- To promote availability and quality of Education, Training and practice of stroke specialists and neurointerventionalists in the management and treatment of Stroke,
- To promote basic and clinical research in the field of neurovascular diseases.

Key areas of collaboration to deliver this goal:

1. Annual Scientific Conferences:

- a. Permanent establishment of joint sessions at each other annual meetings and other relevant conferences;
- b. Program of these joint sessions will be established in close collaboration between both Societies and validated by their Executive Committees;
- c. Each joint session will have a mix of speakers selected by ESMINT and ESO.
- d. Special reduced fees will be established for the ESO or ESMINT members attending the annual meeting of the other society.

2. Best Practice Guidelines:

- a. Both ESO and ESMINT will determine topics that are of common interest for both societies and that necessitates guidelines.
- b. If topics of common interest are identified ESO and ESMINT guidelines committees will then work closely to build up guidelines regarding management and treatment of stroke.

3. Education and training:

ESMINT and ESO are providing courses and examinations which, together with certified practical training on a national level, is directed at 'full training' for personnel working in the endovascular treatment field .

- a. Organisation of theoretical courses together with examinations and certified practical training in management and treatment of stroke;
- b. Endorsing or promoting teaching courses (including existing courses, like winter and summer schools/courses),
- c. Encouraging visiting doctor exchanges.
- d. Organizing with European Board of Neurointervention the accreditation of INR centers and physicians
- e. Organizing ESO stroke unit and stroke center certification.

4. **Liaison:**

- a. ESO and ESMINT will include the other society in collaboration with third partners to which only concerns Endovascular treatment of stroke in Europe.
- b. ESO and ESMINT will collaborate on general issues concerning communication and cooperation with other stakeholders in the health and research fields, including institutions, patient associations and industry.

5. **Membership:** ESO and ESMINT liaison Committees will work on the possibility to offer associate membership in the other society.

Appendix 1

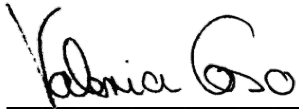
ESO represents all stroke specialists, of which Neurology is one represented specialty amongst many including Medicine for the Elderly, Stroke Physicians, Emergency Medicine Physicians, Neuroradiologists, Cardiologists, Rehabilitation Specialist Physicians, Experimental Basic Scientists, Nursing, Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Clinical Trialists, Epidemiologists, Public Health Physicians, etc.

ESMINT represents Neurointerventionists with different background (neuroradiologist, neurologist, neurosurgeon) for whom stroke is one area of interest amongst other neurovascular disorders.

On behalf of ESO:

Basel, 23. November 2017

place, date



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ESO President, Valeria Caso

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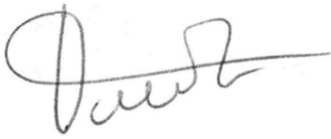
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