Dear colleagues,

It is our honor and privilege to invite you to the 3rd Mediterranean Transplantation Anesthesiology and Simulation Symposium (MedTASS), which will take place at the beautiful and historic Villa Igiea in Palermo, Sicily on 12-13 April 2013.

Local, national and international experts will present up-to-date reviews of current standards of practice in the perioperative anesthetic and intensive care management of solid organ transplantation and other major abdominal and thoracic surgeries. Pro/con debates on difficult case presentations will allow active audience participation with a panel of experts.

Unique to this conference will be the use of medical simulation to teach and demonstrate critical scenarios encountered in the operating room and intensive care unit in our daily practice. Attendees will participate in interactive sessions dealing with intraoperative decisions in real-time crisis management scenarios.

We look forward to welcoming you to Palermo in April 2013.

Antonio Arcadipane, MD
Raymond M. Planinsic, MD
MedTASS Course Directors
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**Presenter:** R.M. Planinsic                                                                                                              |
| 08.15 AM - 09.45 AM | **MAJOR ABDOMINAL SURGERY, AND ABDOMINAL TRANSPLANTATION**  
**Chair:** S. Faenza - M. Spada - R.M. Planinsic                                                                                                  |
| 08.15 AM - 08.45 AM | Presentation 1  
ERAS (Enhanced Recovery After Surgery): General Abdominal Surgery - The Role of Fluid Therapy  
**Presenter:** M. Rossi                                                                                                                         |
| 08.45 AM - 09.15 AM | Presentation 2  
The Third Decade of Liver Transplantation: How to Reduce Invasiveness and Improve Outcome  
**Presenter:** G. Biancofiore                                                                                                                    |
| 09.15 AM - 09.45 AM | Presentation 3  
Major Abdominal Surgery in The Elderly: How to Manage These Frail Patients  
**Presenter:** P. Feltracco                                                                                                                     |
| 09.45 AM - 10.00 AM | Coffee break                                                                                                                                     |
| 10.00 AM - 11.45 AM | **DIDACTIC**  
**Chair:** D.G. Metro - P. Vitulo                                                                                                               |
| 10.00 AM - 10.30 AM | Presentation 4  
Crisis in Obstetrics Anesthesia: Are We Improving the Outcome for Both Mother and Child?  
**Presenter:** A. Giarratano                                                                                                                     |
| 10.30 AM - 11.30 AM | Presentation 5  
How to Avoid Pulmonary Complications During the Perioperative Period  
**Presenter:** G. Iotti                                                                                                                        |
| 11.00 AM - 11.45 AM | Presentation 6  
Keynote Lecture: the Role of Simulation in Modern Anesthesia Practice European/American Perspective  
**Presenter:** G. Marraro                                                                                                                        |
| 11.45 AM - 12.45 PM | Light lunch                                                                                                                                     |
| 01.00 PM - 03.00 PM | **SIMULATION: CRISIS MANAGEMENT**  
**Lab 1**  
Arhythmias and Hemodynamic Instability During Exubation  
**UPMC faculty**                                                                                                                               |
| 03.00 PM - 3.30 PM | **Coffe break**                                                                                                                                  |
| 03.30 PM - 05.30 PM | **SIMULATION: CRISIS MANAGEMENT**  
**Lab 1**  
Anesthesia Crisis: Cardiac Arrest on Induction  
**UPMC faculty**                                                                                                                               |
| 05.30 PM - 6.30 PM | **PBLD (Problem Based Learning Discussion) Related to the Simulation Sessions or the Afternoon Sessions**  
**Presenter:** D.G. Metro                                                                                                                        |
Antonio Arcadipane | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Maria Angela Barone | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Maurizio Bellomo | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Alessandro Bertani | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Giandomenico Biancofiore | Università di Pisa, Italy
Gaetano Burgio | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Giancarlo Cappello | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Giuseppe Chiramonte | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Giorgio Della Rocca | Università di Udine, Italy
Giuseppa Di Fiore | Fondazione Istituto San Raffaele-Giglio, Cefalù, Italy
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Stefano Faenza | Università di Bologna, Italy
Paolo Feltracco | Azienda Ospedaliera di Padova, Italy
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Antonio Giarratano | Università di Palermo, Italy
Bruno Gridelli | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Antonino Gullo | Università di Catania, Italy
Gio Giuseppe Antonio Iotti | Università di Pavia, Italy
Alessandro Locatelli | Ospedale Santa Croce di Cuneo, Italy
Rosario Lombardo | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
Ferdinando Luca Lorini | Ospedali Riuniti di Bergamo, Italy
Filippo Marchese | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
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Patrizio Vitullo | ISMETT Palermo, Italy
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GENERAL INFORMATION

CONFERENCE VENUE:
Grand Hotel Villa Igiea, Salita Belmonte, 43
90142 Palermo - Tel. 091.6312111

CME PROVIDER:
“Application for CME Accreditation will be submitted to the National Commission for Continuous Education”

CREDITS ASSIGNED: 20

CATEGORY:
Medical doctor, Nurse
Subjects: Interdisciplinary Area

Number of places available: 75 Medical Doctor - 25 Nurses

The credits will be awarded only after the presence of 100% of the conference.

REGISTRATION:
Registration is free and compulsory on a first-come-first-served basis, till the number of places available is reached.
Registration form have to be filled online on the website www.vadamanagement.it not later than April, 4th 2013 and will be received automatically by the Organizing Secretariat. Once your registration has been processed, the Organizing Secretariat will send an e-mail for confirmation.

THE REGISTRATION INCLUDES:
- Participation to scientific sessions
- Coffee break
- Simultaneous translation
- CME Credits
- Conference Kit
- Light lunch
- Certificate of attendance

SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION:
Simultaneous translation will be provided to all participants during the scientific sessions.

CHANGES AND UPDATES:
All information and updates about the program will be available on our web site www.vadamanagement.it - page “Events 2013”.

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