



## Sastanak Upravnog odbora Hrvatskoga kardiološkog društva

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## Management Board's Meeting of the Croatian Cardiac Society

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Sastanak Upravnog odbora Hrvatskog kardiološkog društva (HKD) održan je u hotelu Westin u Zagrebu 5. lipnja 2009. godine. Nazočni na sastanku bili su prof. dr. sc. D. Miličić, prof. dr. sc. Mijo Bergovec, prof. dr. sc. J. Vincelj i doc. dr. sc. V. Peršić. Sastanak je započeo u 17,15 sati, za zapisničara je predložen prim. dr. sc. M. Ivanuša.

Prisutne je pozdravio prof. Miličić koji je predložio Dnevni red od deset točaka kojeg u prisutni jednoglasno prihvatili. Prva točka dnevnog reda bila je pregled aktivnosti HKD-a nakon 7. kongresa HKD-a koji se održao u Opatiji, u listopadu 2008. Na Kongresu je bila održana i Izborna skupština na kojoj je izabrano novo rukovodstvo HKD-a (predsjednik, dopredsjednik, članovi upravnog, nadzornog i etičkog odbora). Naknadno je, za tajnika, na prethodnoj sjednici novoga Upravnog odbora izabran, na temelju prijedloga predsjednika, dr. Darko Počanić.

1. Prof. Miličić je prisutne upoznao s mnogobrojnim međunarodnim i domaćim aktivnostima HKD-a:

- "November Days" u sjedištu Europskog kardiološkog društva (ESC), u Sophia Antipolis pokraj Nice — sastanak na kojem su bili nazočni predsjednici kardioloških društava, zaklada i asocijacija. Sastanku je nazočio predsjednik HKD-a, prof. Miličić. Razmotrile su se prošlogodišnje i buduće glavne aktivnosti ESC, koje je preraslo u vodeću kardiološku udrugu u svijetu, brojniju i utjecajnije od American Heart Association i American College of Cardiology. Europski kongres danas predstavlja središnji kardiološki skup u svijetu, a *European Heart Journal* treći je po utjecaju kardiološki časopis, čiji čimbenik odjeka trajno raste. Vrlo je uspješnim ocijenjen i rad asocijacija i radnih skupina u okviru ESC-a, kao i rastući politički utjecaj ESC-a u Europi, što je ključno u donošenju važnih strateških odluka u medicini. Spomenuta je i ekonomska kriza u svijetu i lošija potpora farmaceutskih i drugih tvrtki kardiolozima diljem Europe. Financijsko stanje ESC-a ocijenjeno je međutim vrlo povoljno. Višegodišnji CEO ESC-a gospodin Alen Howard oprostio se od nazočnih, jer odlazi na novu dužnost u Europsko onkološko društvo. Prema pravilniku, zbog dobi, u ESC-u trebao bi biti umirovljen. ESC će i dalje inzistirati za što tješnjom suradnjom s nacionalnim kardiološkim društvima, poticati prevođenje i usvajanje smjernica ESC-a diljem Europe i šire. Potiče se i razvijanje i oznaživanje nacionalnih kardioloških časopisa kao i potpora nacionalnih kongresa. HKD i njegov predsjednik doživjeli su iznimno veliku počast na ovome sastanku, budući da je javno objavljeno da je prof. Miličić dobio mandat da već od sljedeće godine pa nadalje u Hrvatskoj organizira pre-

The Management Board's meeting of the Croatian Cardiac Society (CCS) was held in the Westin hotel in Zagreb on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2009. The meeting was attended by Prof. D. Miličić, PhD, Prof. Mijo Bergovec, PhD, Prof. J. Vincelj, PhD and Ass. Prof. V. Peršić, PhD. The meeting started at 17.15 o'clock, and M. Ivanuša, Head Doctor, PhD was proposed to be a recorder.

The attendees were greeted by Prof. Miličić, who proposed the Agenda with ten items accepted by the attendees unanimously. The first item in the agenda was a review of the CCS activities after the 7th CSS Congress which was held in Opatija in October 2008. Elective General Meeting was held at the Congress where a new CCS management was elected (President, Deputy President, Members of the Management, Supervisory and Ethical Board). On recommendation of the President, Darko Počanić, MD was subsequently elected to be a secretary at the previous meeting of the new Management Board.

1. Prof. Miličić made the attendees familiar with numerous international and local activities of the CCS:

- "November Days" in the ESC registered office, in Sophia Antipolis near Nice — a meeting attended by chairmen of cardiac societies, foundations and associations. The meeting was attended by Prof. Miličić, the CCS Chairman. We considered the last year and future main European Society of Cardiology (ESC) activities that grew into a leading international cardiac association, which has more members and which is more influential than the American Heart Association and American College of Cardiology. The European Congress is today a central cardiac association in the world, and the *European Heart Journal* is the third most influential cardiac journal, the impact factor of which is permanently growing. The Associations' and Task Groups' work within ESC has been evaluated as very successful and as a growing political impact of ESC in Europe which is crucial in making important strategic decisions in medicine. Economic crisis in the world and a worse support of pharmaceutical and some other companies was also mentioned to cardiologists throughout Europe. ESC financial position was, however, evaluated as very good. Mr. Alen Howard who had been ESC CEO for many years, made farewell from the attendees because of taking a position in the European Society of Oncology. According to the Regulation, he should be retired in ESC due to his age. ESC will continue to insist on a closer cooperation with national cardiac societies, will foster implementation and adoption of ESC guidelines throughout Europe and in the wider area. It fosters development and strengthening of national cardiology journals and support to national congresses. The CCS and its President were given an exceptionally



stične sastanke "Cardiology Update" pod pokroviteljstvom ESC-a, jednakoga ranga kao već znameniti skupovi koji se održavaju u Davosu, Rotterdamu i Rimu. Hrvatska je posljednja od članica ESC-a koja je dobila ovu priliku, čime se zatvara "krug" "Cardiology Update" skupova. Prvi hrvatski "Cardiology Update" održat će se u Dubrovniku, od 1. do 4. listopada 2009. godine.

Zaključeno je da treba poticati mlade vrsne kardiologe odnosno specijalizante kardiologije da se natječu za stipendije ESC-a, koje im omogućavaju usavršavanje u vodećim europskim kardiološkim ustanovama.

- ESC Congress Programme Committee Meeting, Nica, prosinac 2008. i svibanj 2009. g. — na sastanku su nazočila dvojica predstavnika iz Hrvatske: prof. Miličić kao uži član CPC-a i akademik Reiner kao višegodišnji član CPC-a u svojstvu predstavnika Europskoga društva za aterosklerozu. Time je Hrvatska natprosječno najzastupljenija u ovome Odboru, u kojemu primjerice nema nikoga iz Austrije, Mađarske, Slovenije, Srbije, Slovačke itd. Odbor ima zadaću koncipirati program kongresa u Barceloni 2009., kao i izvršiti odabir radova. Na sastanku u svibnju, nakon intenzivnog rada u podskupinama podijeljenima prema tematici, sastavljen je konačni program. Predsjednik Kongresnog programskog odbora je Prof. Fausto Pinto.

U rasporavu su se potom uključili prof. Bergovec i prof. Vincelj, napomenuvši da treba trajno poticati članove HKD-a na aktivno sudjelovanje na ovom najbitnijem svjetskom kardiološkom skupu, kao i da sudjelovanje proteklih godina nipošto ne zadovoljava.

- Kongres Grčkog kardiološkog društva — sudjelovao prof. Miličić kao pozvani predavač i chairman.

- Kongres Francuskog kardiološkog društva — sudjelovao prof. Miličić kao gost Kongresa i chairman.

- Simpozij Radne skupine (RS) za valvulne bolesti HKD-a i Hrvatskog društva za kardiotorakalnu kirurgiju i anesteziologiju održao se u Hrvatskome liječničkom zboru dne 20. veljače 2009., bio je odlično posjećen i vrlo uspješan, a rezultirao je i hrvatskim izdanjem sažetih Smjernica za dijagnostiku i liječenje valvularnih bolesti ESC-a (urednici hrvatskog izdanja: doc. Vedran Ćorić i prof. Jure Mirat).

- Treći hrvatski sastanak o kardiovaskularnim intervencijama s međunarodnim sudjelovanjem i Drugi sastanak intervencijske sekcije kardioloških sestara/tehničara održao se u organizaciji istoimene RS HKD-a, pod predsjedanjem doc. Maje Strozzi u Zagrebu, od 6. do 7. ožujka 2009. g. Simpozij je privukao i inozemne predavače i sudionike, te je prema sveopćoj ocjeni bio vrlo uspješan.

- 10. hrvatski simpozij o aritmijama i elektrostimulaciji srca održao se u Zagrebu dne 3. travnja 2009. g. u organizaciji RS za aritmije i elektrostimulaciju HKD-a pod predsjedanjem prof. dr. Dubravka Petrača. U skladu s tradicijom, znanstvena i stručna razina je bila na visokoj razini, a gostovali su i vrhunski europski aritmolozi.

- Europska konferencija interne medicine u Dubrovniku, 20. - 22. ožujka 2009. g., s programom iz kardiologije, gastroenterologije i pulmologije, održala se pod pokroviteljstvom HKD-a, a prof. Miličić bio je predsjednik skupa. Ciljna publika bili su u prvom redu internisti i liječnici obiteljske medicine. Skupu je nazočilo oko 500 sudionika

great honor at this meeting since it was publicly announced that Prof. Miličić was given a term of office and that from the next year on, he would organize prestige meetings "Cardiology Update" in Croatia sponsored by the ESC, holding the same rank as the famous meetings being held in Davos, Rotterdam and Rome. Croatia is the last ESC member that has been given this opportunity closing the "circle" of "Cardiology Update" meetings. The first Croatian "Cardiology Update" will be held in Dubrovnik from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

It was concluded that young professional cardiologists or cardiology residents should be stimulated to compete for ESC scholarships which enable them to be trained in the leading European cardiology institutions.

- ESC Congress Programme Committee Meeting, Nice, December 2008 and May 2009: the meeting was attended by the two representatives from Croatia: Prof. Miličić as the close member of CPC and academician Reiner as a CPC many year member acting in a capacity as a representative of the European Atherosclerosis Society. This is the way how Croatia is definitively the most represented member in this Board involving nobody from Austria, Hungary, Slovenia, Serbia, Slovakia, etc. The Board has a task to design a program for the congresses in Barcelona 2009 and select the scientific papers. The final program was prepared at the meeting in May after the intensive work in subgroups divided according to a themes. Prof. Fausto Pinto is the President of the Congress Program Board.

The discussion was later joined by Prof. Bergovec and Prof. Vincelj pointing out that the all CCS members should be permanently stimulated to actively participate in this most important world cardiology meeting and that the participation during the previous years was not satisfactorily at all.

- The Greek Cardiac Society congress — was attended by Prof. Miličić as an invited lecturer and a chairman.

- The French Cardiac Society congress — was attended by Prof. Miličić as the Congress guest and a chairman.

- The Symposium of Working Group for the Valvular Heart Diseases of the CCS and the Croatian Cardiothoracic and Anesthesiology Society was held in the Croatian Medical Association on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2009, it was very well visited and very successful, resulting in the Croatian edition of summarized Guidelines for Diagnostics and Treatment of Valvular Diseases of ESC (editors of the Croatian edition: Ass. Prof. Vedran Ćorić, and Prof. Jure Mirat).

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Croatian Meeting on Cardiovascular Interventions and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of interventional nurses/technicians was organized by the homonymous WG of CCS chaired by Ass. Prof. Maja Strozzi, in Zagreb from 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March 2009. The symposium attracted foreign lecturers and participants as well and according to an overall general assessment, it was very successful.

- The 10<sup>th</sup> Croatian Symposium on Arrhythmias and Cardiac Pacing was organized by Croatian WG on Arrhythmias and Cardiac Pacing held in Zagreb on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2009 chaired by Prof. Dubravko Petrač, PhD. Traditionally, in scientific and professional terms it was at high level being visited by top European arrhythmologists as guests.

- The European internal medicine conference in Dubrovnik, 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2009, with the cardiology, gastroenterology and pulmonology program was sponsored by the Croatian Cardiac Society, while Prof. Miličić was the Chairman of the meeting. The target audience was



iz različitih zemalja Europe i svijeta, ponajviše Francuske i Hrvatske.

- Alpe-Adria kardiološki kongres u Dresdenu, travnja 2009. — prof. Miličić i prof. Petrač ondje su nazočili kao pozvani predavači i članovi International Alpe Adria Advisory Board. Znanstvena i stručna razina kongresa bile su vrlo dobre, ali se ponovno javio relativno čest problem ovih skupova, a to je relativno mali broj sudionika. Osim prof. Miličića i prof. Petrača, na Kongresu su aktivno sudjelovala dvojica specijalizanata iz Klinike na Rebru, dr. Vedran Velagić i dr. Željko Baričević, koji su ondje odlično "odradili" svoj prvi inozemni nastup. Idući Alpe-Adria kardiološki kongres je planiran od 16. do 18. rujna 2010. u Beču.

- International CVD Prevention Forum u Ljubljani, ožujak 2009. — prof. Miličić nastupio je kao pozvani predavač s temom "Prevenција kardiovaskularnih bolesti u Hrvatskoj".

- Godišnji sastanak Slovenskog kardiološkog društva u Radencima — prof. Miličić sudjelovao je kao pozvani predavač i chairman (tema predavanja "Mehanička potpora rada srca"), a govorio je i na otvorenju skupa, uz prof. Komajdu, predsjednika ESC-a, prof. Hubera, predsjednika Austrijskog kardiološkog društva te domaćina prof. Kendu, predsjednika Slovenskoga kardiološkog društva

- Hrvatski kongres ateroskleroze — svibanj 2009., pod predsjedanjem akademika Reintera polučio je lijep uspjeh i privukao ugledne inozemne stručnjake. HKD je bilo vrlo aktivno uključeno u rad kongresa: naši su članovi bili u Znanstvenome odboru, nastupili kao pozvani predavači i s rezultatima originalnih istraživanja.

- 2. Simpozij Hrvatskog društva kardioloških med. sestara održan je u Zagrebu, u lipnju 2009. U svojstvu predavača sudjelovalo je više naših članova, a predsjednik HKD-a pozdravio je skup i istaknuo potrebu sustavog programa edukacije medicinskih sestara u kardiologiji. Predloženo je da se razmotri mogućnost stipendija HKD za školovanje kardioloških med. sestara.

- Nacionalna inicijativa za smanjivanje unosa soli — istaknuto je u diskusiji da se u Hrvatskoj dnevno prosječno unese i do 15 grama kuhinjske soli, što treba smanjiti na ispod 5 grama. Smanjeni unos soli povezan je sa smanjenjem pobola od srčanožilnih bolesti. HKD je uključeno u ovaj projekt, zajedno s Hrvatskim društvom za hipertenziju i Hrvatskim društvom za aterosklerozu. S time u svezi objavljen je i članak u *Liječničkom vjesniku*.

- Nacionalna radna skupina za rezidualni kardiovaskularni rizik pod predsjedanjem akademika Reintera, također je bila aktivna i objavila članak u *Liječničkom vjesniku*. Akademik Reiner član je i Međunarodnoga odbora koji se bavi pitanjem rezidualnog rizika.

2. Druga točka dnevnog reda bilo je opširnije izvješće prof. Miličića o sastanku RS za zatajivanje srca koji je održan na KBC Zagreb na kojem je bilo govora o unaprjeđenju registra (korekcija varijabli, novi server, online i offline popunjavanje podataka, minimalna naknada). Istaknuto je da registar mora omogućiti sudionicima vidljivost vlastitih podataka, a voditelji RS imaju uvid u sveukupne podatke. Radovi koji se odnose na objavljivanje sveukupnih podataka trebaju biti predmetom dogovora u usuglašavanja svih sudionika u Registru. U raspravi su sudjelovali prof. Miličić i prof. Bergovec. Zaključeno je da

mainly internists and family medicine doctors. The meeting was attended by 500 participants from different European countries, mainly from France and Croatia.

- Alpe-Adria Cardiac Congress in Dresden, April 2009 — Prof. Miličić and Prof. Petrač were present there as invited lecturers and members of the International Alpe Adria Advisory Board. The scientific and professional level of congress was very good, but there again occurred a rather frequent problem at such meetings which is a relatively small number of participants. Except for Prof. Miličić and Prof. Petrač, the congress was actively attended by the two residents from the Clinical Hospital Centre Zagreb, Vedran Velagić, MD and Željko Baričević, MD who did an excellent job at this international meeting. The next Alpe-Adria Cardiac Congress is planned to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 2010 in Vienna.

- International CVD Prevention Forum in Ljubljana, March 2009 — Prof. Miličić was an invited lecturer with a theme "Prevention of Cardiovascular Diseases in Croatia".

- The annual meeting of the Slovenian Cardiac Society in Radenci was attended by Prof. Miličić who participated as an invited lecturer and a chairman (lecture topic "Mechanic Heart Function Support") and he made a speech at the opening of the meeting together with Prof. Komajda, ESC Chairman, Prof. Huber, the Chairman of the Austrian Cardiac Society and the host, Prof. Kenda, Chairman of the Slovenian Cardiac Society.

- The Croatian Atherosclerosis Congress — May 2009, chaired by the academician Reiner achieved a great success and attracted renowned foreign experts. The CCS was very actively involved in the work of the congress: our members were involved in the Scientific Board in a capacity as invited lecturers with original research results.

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Symposium of the Croatian Society of Cardiac Nurses was held in Zagreb, in June 2009. There were several our members acting in a capacity as lecturers who attended the symposium, while the CCS Chairman welcomed the meeting and stressed a need for systematic educational program for nurses in cardiology. The possibility of CCS scholarship for education and training of cardiac nurses was to be considered.

- The national initiative for reduction of salt taken — it was stressed in the discussion that in Croatia even 15 gram of table salt is taken which is to be reduced to below 5 grams. The reduced salt taken is connected with reduction of cardiovascular diseases. The CCS is involved in this project together with the Croatian Hypertension Society and the Croatian Atherosclerosis Society. An article in the journal *Liječnički Vjesnik* was published accordingly.

- The National Task Force for residual cardiovascular risk chaired by the academician Reiner was also active and it published an article in the journal *Liječnički Vjesnik*. The Academician Reiner is the member of the International Board addressing the issue of residual risk.

2. The second item of the agenda was a comprehensive report by Prof. Miličić of the WG meeting for heart failure held at Clinical Hospital Centre Zagreb where improvement of the register was discussed (correction of variables, a new server, online and offline data completion, minimum fee). It was stressed that the register must enable the participants visibility of their own data and the WG managers must have an insight into the overall data. The papers relating to release of overall data need to be agreed upon by all participants in the Register. Prof. Miličić and Prof.





treba postojati Odbor za odlučivanje o podacima iz pojedinih registara te da smještaj registra ne znači vlasništvo nad podacima.

3. Treća točka dnevnog reda bio je *Kardio list* i web portal HKD. Prim. Ivanuša je prisutne upoznao s dinamikom izlazenja lista i objavom vijesti na portalu, problemima u svakodnevnom radu koji proizlaze iz manjeg broja zainteresiranih članova. Skrenuta je pozornost na nužnost ažurnog popisa članova HKD koji će se zatražiti od agencije Spektar putovanja. Predstavljene su ponude tvrtke Helix za redizajn portala i mjesečno održavanje. Osvježenje portala i *Kardio lista* novim dizajnom i funkcionalnostima u osnovnoj dinamičkoj varijanti stajalo bi 47.000 kuna uz cijenu mjesečnog održavanja od 2.800 kuna. Nadopunjeni portal bazom članova i naprednim pretraživanjem članaka, naprednim dizajnom s galerijom fotografija stajao bi 74.000 kune uz mjesečno održavanje od 3.800 kuna. Sveobuhvatni portal na kojem bi postojala mogućnost plaćanja članarine kreditnim karticama, kao i mogućnost direktne uplate sredstava na račun HKD stajao bi 93.000 kuna uz mjesečno održavanje od 4.500 kuna. U diskusiju su se uključili svi prisutni. Zaključilo se da se portal mora redizajnirati i redovito održavati, no predložene cijene su dosta visoke. Predloženo je da se nastavi dogovor i rad na prijedlogu novog portala s tvrtkom Helix do idućeg sastanka HKD u srpnju, da mjesečna naknada ne bi trebala iznositi više od 1.500 kuna te da bi novi portal trebao imati sve spomenute funkcionalnosti uz srednju cijenu. Ukoliko se ne bi dobila zadovoljavajuća ponuda trebat će potražiti i druge informatičke tvrtke.

4. Četvrta točka dnevnog reda bilo je održavanje ESC kongresa u Barceloni na kojem će i ove godine biti prisutan štand HKD. Raspored članova HKD koji će biti prisutni na štandu treba se odrediti po Podružnicama.

5. Peta točka bilo je obilježavanje Svjetskog dana srca koji je tradicionalno krajem rujna (27. rujna 2009.) čija se centralna aktivnost planira na Trgu bana Jelačića u Zagrebu. Istaknuta je važnost medijskog praćenja svih aktivnosti i značaj rane pripreme promotivnih materijala. Tema ove godine je "Work with Heart".

6. Uslijedio je prikaz dosadašnjih aktivnosti oko Cardiology Update u Dubrovniku (1. - 4. listopada 2009.) — prve obavijesti su objavljene na portalu *Kardio.hr*, a uskoro će biti završene i web stranice simpozija.

7. U sedmoj točki najavljene su buduće aktivnosti HKD — "Cardiology Update" u Dubrovniku od 1-4. listopada 2009., ehokardiografski simpozij u Opatiji u listopadu 2009. godine, Nacionalni kongres HKD koji bi trebao biti u proljeće ili jesen 2010. godine, planira se i 3<sup>rd</sup> Advanced Topics in Cardiology u suradnji s Mayo klinikom i već spomenuti Alpe Adria kardiološki kongres u Beču u kojemu se od Hrvatske očekuje iznimno aktivna uloga u kreiranju i izvedbi programa.

8. "Specijalizacije, mreža PCI, zaklada": prisutni su istaknuli veliki značaj rada mreže PCI za svakodnevnu praksu. Glede priznavanja statusa subspecijalizacije iz kardiologije članovi Upravnog odbora dijele mišljenje da se, obzirom na pokazano znanje na subspecijalističkom ispitu, buduće subspecijalizacije trebaju ograničiti samo za kolege koje su obavile edukaciju prema važećem programu. Prof. Miličić je vezano uz Hrvatsku kuću srca informirao prisutne da je prostor u Ilici izgubljen zbog povratka na

Bergovac participated in the discussion. It was concluded that there should be a Board for making decisions on data from specific registers and the filing the register means no property of the data.

3. The third item in the agenda was journal *Kardio list* and *Kardio.hr* web portal. Dr. Ivanuša made all the attendees familiar with a dynamics of publishing of the journal and news in the portal, problems in a daily work caused by a smaller number of interested members. The necessity of updated list of CCS members was accentuated which will be requested from the agency Spektar putovanja. The offers by the company Helix for redesign of portal and monthly maintenance were presented. The refreshment of the portal and *Kardio list* with a new design and functionalities in the basic dynamic variant would cost HRK 47,000 with a price for monthly maintenance of HRK 2,800. The portal upgraded with a base of members and advanced searching of articles, advanced design with a gallery of photographs would cost HRK 74,000 with monthly maintenance amounting to HRK 3,800. The overall portal including a possibility of payment of membership fee with credit cards and a possibility of direct payment of funds to the account of CCS would cost HRK 93,000 with monthly maintenance of HRK 4,500. All attendees were involved in the discussion. It was concluded that the portal should be redesigned and regularly maintained, however, proposed prices were said to be high. Negotiations and working on a proposal for the new portal with the company Helix till the next CCS meeting in July were suggested, monthly fee was suggested not to exceed HRK 1,500 and new portals should contain all above named functionalities with mean price charged. If we do not obtain acceptable offer, we should ask some other IT companies to provide us with their offers.

4. The fourth item in the agenda was holding ESC congress in Barcelona where even this year the CCS stand would be present. The placement of CCS members that will be present at the stand should be determined by Regional Branches.

5. The fifth item in the agenda was marking the World Heart Day which is traditionally held at the end of September (27<sup>th</sup> September 2009) the central activity of which is planned to be at the Ban Jelačić Square in Zagreb. The importance of the media coverage of all activities and an importance of an early preparation of promotional material was stressed. This year's topic is "Work with Heart".

6. A presentation of recent activities relating with Cardiology Update in Dubrovnik (1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2009) followed, the first notifications were publicized on the portal *Kardio.hr* and soon web pages of the symposium will be finished.

7. The seventh item addresses future CCS activities — "Cardiology Update" in Dubrovnik from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2009, echocardiography symposium in Opatija in October 2009, the National CCS congress that should be held in spring or autumn 2010 and planned is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Advanced Topics in Cardiology in cooperation with Mayo Clinics, and Alpe Adria Cardiac congress in Vienna that has already been mentioned where Croatia is expected to have a highly active role in creation and implementation of the program.

8. "Residency, PCI network, foundation": the attendees stressed a great importance of the PCI network operation for daily work. Regarding the recognition of the subspecialty status in cardiology, the members of the Management



cionaliziranog vlasništva, te da su u tijeku pregovori za novi prostor, također u središtu Zagreba.

9. "Priznavanje statusa subspecijalist kardiolog" za jednoga uglednog profesora interne medicine — članovi Upravnog odbora donijeli su zaključak da se status subspecijalista kardiologa mogao dodijeliti sveučilišnim profesorima koji su na temelju svojeg višegodišnjeg djelovanja prepoznati i priznati kao kardiolozi. Ukoliko nije riječ o sveučilišnom profesoru, ali se radi o stručnjaku koji se više od 10 godina bavi kardiologijom u kardiološkoj ustanovi, HKD izdaje preporuku da dotični liječnik može polagati subspecijalistički ispit bez prethodnog specijalizantskog staža iz kardiologije u trajanju od dvije godine. Zaključno, HKD će uputiti dopis Hrvatskoj liječničkoj komoru s izjavom da nadalje smatramo da niti jednoj osobi u Hrvatskoj više ne treba priznati status kardiologa unatoč činjenici da je u rangu sveučilišnog nastavnika, te da se izravno polaganje subspecijalističkog ispita iz kardiologije bez odrađenog specijalizantskog staža u trajanju od dvije godine također neće podupirati. Naime, svi koji su imali ovo pravo već su ga odavno trebali konzumirati. Budući da su svi ispitivači na specijalističkom ispitu iz kardiologije članovi HKD-a, utjecaj Društva u ovome pitanju je neprijeporan. Dogovoreno je da posljednje tri iznimke od ovoga pravila budu dr. Duška Glavaš, dr. Vjekoslav Amidžić i dr. Fabijan Lulić.

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Board share their opinion that considering the knowledge shown in the subspeciality exam, the future subspecialities need to be limited only to colleagues that completed their education according to applicable program. Prof. Miličić informed the attendees, with regard with the Croatian Heart House that the premises in Ilica street were lost due to a return of the nationalized property, and that the negotiations for new premises in the Zagreb center are underway.

9. "Recognition of the subspeciality cardiologist status" for one renowned internal medicine doctor — the members of the Management Board reached a conclusion that the subspeciality cardiologist status could be awarded to University professors who are, due to their work for many years, recognized as cardiologists. If a University professor is not concerned, and an expert working for more than 10 years in cardiology in a cardiac institution is in question, CCS will suggest that the respective doctor may take subspeciality exam with no previous residency service in cardiology lasting for two years. To conclude, CCS will send a letter to the Croatian Medical Chamber with a statement that we also think that no person in Croatia should have the cardiologist status recognized despite the fact that he/she holds a university professor rank and that direct subspeciality exam taken in cardiology with no residency done lasting for two years will not be supported as well. Namely, all those who were entitled thereto, should have already exercised this right. Since all examiners in cardiology residency exam are the members of the CCS, the impact of the Society concerning this issue is not doubtful. It was agreed that the following persons should be exempt from this rule: Duška Glavaš MD, Vjekoslav Amidžić, MD and Fabijan Lulić, MD.

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