

EFNS Regional Teaching Course in Iasi, Romania, 30 May-2 June 2012

From 30 May till 2 June 2012 a regional teaching course of the European Federation of Neurological Societies in collaboration with Movement Disorders Society and Romanian Neurology Society was held in Iasi, Romania.

The main topics discussed during the course were movement disorders, in particular Parkinson's disease, stroke, evidence based medicine, neuro-palliation and rehabilitation discussed and elaborated by 12 invited speakers.

The first day was covering the topic of "Parkinson's disease and MD", with Professors Joaquim Ferreira and Mario Miguel Rosa from Portugal and Pille Taba from Estonia on behalf of the Movement Disorder Society – European Section, as well as Josef Opara from Poland.

The 2nd day was dedicated to "Stroke", with lectures from Eva Bartels (Germany), Manfred Kaps (Germany), Vida Demarin (Croatia) and Cristina Tiu from Romania.

On the 3rd day, as at every EFNS RTC, various topics were scheduled to be discussed, and Professors Wolfgang Grisold (Austria), Hugues Chabriat (France), Maurizio Leone (Italy) and Cristian Popescu (Romania), shared their knowledge and experience with 84 participants.

We also had an EFNS representative among us, Prof. Detlef Kompf and an EAYNT representative who gave a very useful and full of information presentation about possibilities for young neurologist, Dr. Xenia Kobeleva.

The location of the course was at Ramada Conference Center in the center of Iasi. The quality of the course was very well appreciated by the participants, but only 49 of them participated in the final test. All of them passed successfully and the best 3 received prizes from the organizers. A social programme was also organized each evening, starting with a welcome reception together with a wine tasting, then a "high-class" dinner at the tallest building in Iasi (13th floor) with a great view over the city and ending with a farewell dinner where we had an artistic programme with a group of children dancing and singing typical traditional Romanian songs followed by a DJ programme with dancing and light show.

The overall impression of the course was mentioned by the participants in the evaluation forms as being very good, perfect or excellent and by the speakers from their nice and warming words.

Prof. Cristian Popescu and Dr. Cristina Filos
Local organizing committee







