



Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

I am very much delighted to announce that the 41st World Congress of ISMH will be held 19-21 May 2016 in Bucharest Romania. Since we are going to have our congress annually after the decision at the General Assembly during the 39th Congress of ISMH in Kyoto/Japan in 2014, Brazil was the hosting country of the first annual ISMH Congress that was the 40th of total in Rio de Janeiro 26-28 August 2015.

After two international balneological gatherings in two continents in Japan and Brazil we are returning back to Europe, the cradle of Medical Hydrology and Climatology. We are excited about our reunion this time in one of the most typical traditional eastern European countries of balneology, Romania. The local organizers are our well-known colleagues: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Olga Surdu as Congress President; President of Romanian Association of Balneology Dr. Constantin Munteanu as Local Scientific Committee President and Prof. Dr. Gelu Onose as Organizing Committee President, they will be happy to welcome you in Bucharest for 41st Congress of ISMH. I thank them in advance since I am familiar with their engagement and enthusiasm in balneology and I believe we all will appreciate their great efforts in organization such a successful event in all aspects. I would also like to express my gratitude to Romanian Association of Balneology ARB (Asociația Română de Balneologie) for their support and collaboration.

This congress of our “Global Association” certainly will reflect the scientific activities, research and developments not only in Europe but also in the whole globe.

I now am really looking forward to 41st Congress of ISMH and already excited about our next meeting in Bucharest, this time with the motto *“Evergreen Balneology; the way ahead!”*

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