The Report of
ESTS School of Thoracic Surgery
March 16-20, 2011
Antalya, Turkey

Semih Halezeroglu
The Venue
Titanic Hotel
23 different countries represented

Armenia: 1
Austria: 2
Belgium: 1
Canada: 1
Estonia: 1
Germany: 4
Greece: 3
Holland: 2
Hungary: 1
Iran: 4
Ireland: 1
Italy: 5
Japan: 1
Latvia: 1
Luxembourg: 1
Poland: 2
Romania: 1
Serbia: 1
Spain: 5
Turkey: 4
UAE: 1
UK: 4
USA: 1

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# Teachers

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<tr>
<th>Teachers</th>
<th>Nr of lectures</th>
<th>Nr of days</th>
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<td>Detterbeck F, USA</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Halezeroglu S, Turkey</td>
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<td>Toker A, Turkey</td>
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<td>Lechber G, Germany</td>
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<td>Decker G, Luxembourg</td>
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<td>Molnar T, Hungary</td>
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<td>Ruffini E, Italy</td>
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Sessions

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Lecturing & Moderating
Coffe breaks

An important time for friendships and communication among the lecturers and participants
Dinners

Good dining has always been one of the major characteristics of a good surgeon!
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<td>Exam</td>
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<td>Evaluation of the exam</td>
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<td>Coffee break</td>
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<td>Special Dinner (teachers &amp; participants)</td>
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<td>Teachers Dinner (in the City)</td>
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<td>Optional city tour</td>
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Examination at the beginning of the Course

• 60 MCQs
  – Neoplastic: 15
  – Pleural: 7
  – Airway-bullous-preop: 7
  – Operative approaches: 7
  – Trauma: 4
  – Mediastinum: 4
  – Inflammatory: 3
  – Others: 17

• Correct answers by the participants: 56%
Examination at the end of the Course

• 76 MCQs (2 questions or answers were found “debatable” and removed)
  – Neoplastic: 17
  – Upper GI: 10
  – Inflammatory: 9
  – Airway-bullous-preop:9
  – Trauma: 7
  – Mediastinum: 5
  – Others: 17

• Correct answers by the participants: 73%
Progression

• Pre-course exam: 56% correct
• Post-course exam: 73% correct
• Progression: 30.3%
## Participants Survey Results

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<th>Questions</th>
<th>Mean mark* (over 5)</th>
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<td>The amount of time allotted to the lectures was reasonable</td>
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<td>The information in most of the lectures were useful for me</td>
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<td>I did not have important language problem to understand the lectures</td>
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<td>I could find help for my questions/problems</td>
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<td>I had chance to establish friendship with colleagues from another country</td>
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<td>I will recommend my colleagues to attend this course</td>
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<td>My overall impression in this course is positive</td>
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1: Strongly disagree, 2: Diasgree, 3: Undecided, 4: Agree, 5: Strongly agree