

**EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR HYPERTENSION
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**5th Central European Meeting on Hypertension
2nd Congress on Hypertension of the Croatian Society for Hypertension
Zagreb, Croatia
October 22-25, 2009**

Dear colleagues and friends,

We would like to inform you that the *5th Central European Meeting on Hypertension (5th CEM)* will be held in Zagreb, Croatia on October 22-24, 2009.

The Croatian Society for Hypertension is honored to invite you to this scientific conference as well as to the *Second Congress on Hypertension* of our society that will be organized following the CEM on October 24-25, 2009. For both meetings, English will be the official language.

The aim of the *5th CEM* is to continue the tradition of previous successful meetings (2001 Cesky Krumlov; 2003 Portorož; 2005 Sopron; 2007 Krakow) when interesting lectures and fruitful discussion were stimulating to national societies.

We hope that the *5th CEM* will be another step in our efforts for improving treatment and control of hypertension and therefore reducing cardiovascular morbidity and mortality.

Sharing knowledge and experience is always a very useful way of learning, thus we would like to invite and involve each of the Central European countries to present data of recent and important studies conducted in each country.

The essential aim of the *Central European Meetings* is to improve primary and secondary prevention, implementation of guidelines, and to advance patients' adherence to drug therapy and lifestyle changes.

The *CEM* is also a very good opportunity for establishing contacts and network for collaboration but, in addition to the scientific program, there is always time for enjoying social and cultural events.

We hope that you will attend this meeting where we will try to expand the body of our knowledge.

We will appreciate very much if you could provide us with the mailing list of members of your society so our official organizing agency could send them further information.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon, and of course, to seeing you in Zagreb.

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