



**Eight Bulgarian Course on Bifurcation and Complex Coronary Interventions 25 - 27 January 2019 Acibadem City Clinic Tokuda Hospital Sofia**

## INVITATION

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee we are honored to invite you to the Eight Bulgarian Bifurcation and Complex Coronary Interventions Course, which is going to be held on 25-27 January 2019 at Acibadem City Clinic Tokuda Hospital Sofia.

Traditionally BBC's mission is to design a program of presentations delivered by renowned experts providing concise theoretical and practical knowledge on bifurcations and complex coronary interventions.

We aim to create a Course of extensive teaching and discussions during which forefront operators would perform live-cases showing modern approaches and technical innovations in the field. At this forum we strive to have tight interaction between participants, faculty and operators.

Two main focuses will be treated by the BBC 2019 program: advances in bifurcation treatment – theory and practice and the controversial topic on complex bifurcations with 2-stent technique.

The Eight edition of the Course will be dedicated to the very disputable field of CTO PCI as we realize that this is considered to be the most complex lesion subset in contemporary practice, even called the last frontier in interventional cardiology. The risks and benefits of PCI for chronic total occlusion (CTO) along with its place in treatment continue to be debated.

As per tradition eminent foreign faculty members are involved in the program and become an active part of our forum. We shall be honored to enjoy the presence of Yves Louvard, Goran Stankovic, Robert Gil, George Sianos, Kambis Mashayekhi, Carlos Colett, Gianluca Rigatelli, Imad Sheiban, Ioannis Iakovou, Guy Heyndrickx, Manuel Pan.

After the success of the last-editions hands-on sessions designed for young interventional cardiologists we are positive to conduct proctored hands-on sessions for young specialists as per tradition. Fellows will benefit again the unique chance to perform live-cases under supervision of eminent foreign specialists.

Some of the most anticipated and valuable sessions of the program for a third year will be the recorded best/worst case sessions for fellows.

Close to 10 nationalities are represented every year by Faculty and participants. Around 120 attendees join the Course.

Strong partnership with the Industry is established in order to be kept up to date with innovation.

No registration fees will be applicable.

For further information please contact our partner:

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Participation in the hands-on sessions will be possible for fellows or licensed cardiologists whose licenses have been acquired not more than two years ago counted back from 25 January 2019. Participants willing to attend the hands-on sessions should send a scanned copy of a letter of recommendation given by their head of the cath lab, medical diploma copy, license copy if applicable. Submission of applications will be possible till 11 January 2019, at the e-mail address of the event management company. As places for the hands-on sessions are limited, applicants with valid documents will be listed on a first come first served basis.

Best case will be nominated by the foreign faculty.

Cases should consist of a short pdf presentation in English and a movie in Quicktime H.264 format and resolution 720 p or 1080 p. Materials should be sent via WeTransfer, prior to 11 January 2019, to the e-mail address of the event management company. The file should be compressed if its size exceeds 2 gigabytes.

We look forward to meeting you in Sofia!

Sincerely yours,

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