The 2017 Peruvian Cardiology Congress

José Manuel Sosa, President of the Peruvian Society of Cardiology reports on the XXVI Congress held in Lima

The XXVI Peruvian Cardiology Congress took place in Lima the capital of Peru during 27–30 April 2017. The event included participation by prominent global cardiology leaders, Dr Valentín Fuster, Dr Thomas Lüscher, Dr Salim Yusuf, Dr Josep Brugada, Dr Bryan Williams, Dr Richard Chazal, Dr Juan Badimon, Dr Jose López Sendón, Dr Francesco Fedele, Dr Daniel Piñeiro, Dr Gianfranco Parati, Dr Massimo Mancone, and Dr Norman Campbell, and other important professors who discussed various topics in their master lectures.

They discussed topics ranged from primary prevention to the latest advances in different areas of cardiology and projections for the near future. Emphasis was given to certain subjects such as cardio-oncology, heart failure, pulmonary hypertension, cardiac ultrasound, arterial hypertension, and prevention of sudden death.

Also, workshops were held in areas such as echocardiography (Dr Nilda Espinola), cardiopulmonary resuscitation, offered by Italian colleagues from Sapienza University (Dr Carlos Centurion, Dr Antonio Fusto, Dr Alessandra Cine, Dr Nicolo Salvi, and Dr Francesco Adamo); and paediatric cardiology in collaboration with the Children’s National Heart Institute, Washington DC, USA, (Dr David Schidlow, Dr Gerard Martin, and Dr Charles Berul), and Dr Freddy Prada (Sant Joan de Deu).

There was also a collaboration with the Baylor College in Houston, TX, USA (Dr Juan Carlos Plana and Dr Neil Strickman), the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, OH, USA (Dr Conrad Simpferdorfen, Dr Amar Krishnaswamy, and Dr Khaldoun Tarakji), the University of South Carolina (Dr Donald Dipette), Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, USA (Dr Hector Villarraga), Inter-American Society of Cardiology (Dr Diego Delgado and Dr Gustavo Restrepo), The National Institute of Cardiology Ignacio Chavez (Dr Juan Verdejo), Vanderbilt University (Dr Cyndya Shibao), and the Argentinian Society of Cardiology (Dr Héctor Deschle).

The Congress consisted of 3 days of intense scientific activity that captivated both Peruvian cardiologists, and colleagues from different neighbouring countries, who were no doubt attracted by the reputation of the guest speakers. During the event, there was also an award ceremony for the best articles presented by cardiologists and cardiology residents.

As the President of the Peruvian Society of Cardiology, and on behalf of the Organizing Committee, it was highly rewarding to have the participation of such distinguished Professors, who despite their busy agendas were able to travel to Peru and join and collaborate with us at our National Congress.

My sincere thanks go to our guests for their support and contribution to the Peruvian Society of Cardiology during this successful Congress.

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