Dear colleagues,

it is my great pleasure to present you the first Newsletter of the Rhinoplasty Society of Europe (RhiSoEu). The Rhinoplasty Society of Europe was founded in 2011 being the only scientific society in Europe dealing exclusively with Rhinoplasty. Dedicated to the open exchange of innovative ideas and techniques in the field of plastic, reconstructive and aesthetic rhinoplasty the society has grown continuously above 150 members from all over the world. This may result also from the appealing meetings highlighting the principle of videopresentation followed by intense discussion. The free access to the recently established videolibrary on our website might be another attractive option for all members, providing new ideas and help in daily work.

The credit for having enabled us to enjoy all these benefits belongs primarily to all board members, and I wish to express my gratitude for their commitment and dedication at this point. Finally I am very grateful to Werner Heppt for taking a lot of efforts in editing the first Newsletter edition.

With the best personal wishes for a continuing flourishing future.

Wolfgang Gubisch
President

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Twenty-five years experience with extracorporeal septoplasty

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For more videos visit the videolibrary of the Rhinoplasty Society of Europe.
More than 170 national and international participants from over 20 countries attended this year the 22nd annual course for functional and aesthetic rhinoplasty at the Marienhospital in Stuttgart. Wolfgang Gubisch and his team organized an intense three-days course from February 25th to 27th.

Two worldwide renowned experts in nasal surgery, Rick Davies and Bahman Guyron, followed their invitations to join the faculty. Both demonstrated their outstanding knowledge in the field of rhinoplasty with excellent video presentations, lectures and talks. Like the last three years, the first day consisted of a cadaver course at the anatomical lab of the University of Tübingen. Again, one of the most modern anatomical labs of Europe provided excellent facilities to demonstrate basic steps in rhinoplasty, which were demonstrated by Wolfgang Gubisch. And in the afternoon the scientific part started with narrated video presentations.

During the next two days the participants could follow live surgery performed by Wolfgang Gubisch, Helmut Fischer and Sebastian Haack. Ten complex primary and secondary rhinoseptoplasties were demonstrated. Thereby advanced septal surgery with extracorporeal septoplasty was shown as well as framework reconstruction in a severe secondary saddle nose deformity. Especially the pre-maxillary augmentation with a DCF in a Binders-syndrome, shown by Helmut Fischer, was a novelty to most of the participants. Finally three intense days of rhinosurgery were crowned by a delicious dinner at the star awarded restaurant of Franz Feckel.

The rhinoplasty course 2015 in Stuttgart will be extended about one day. The topic of this day will be nasal reconstruction. Frederic Menick already confirmed his participation to share his outstanding knowledge in this field.
Many of the participants of the Rhinoplasty course extended their stay in Stuttgart and attended the following, fourth SOS (secondary optimizing aesthetic surgery) symposium in meeting format deals exclusively with revision cases of previous aesthetic surgery. Axel Feller, Wolfgang Gubisch and Dirk Richter founded this format four years ago to share their huge experience in the field of secondary aesthetic surgery.

On the first day ten revision cases were operated parallel in three operating rooms. Giovanni Botti and Dirk Richter demonstrated their huge experience in midface and lower lid surgery and performed at two patients a secondary midface lift and a bilateral fan-flap from the upper lid to correct severe deformations of the lower lid. Both surgeons proved their versatility. Botti succeeded masterly with his treatment of a breast over-augmentation. Richter mastered a case of severe contour irregularities after abdominoplasty and liposuction. Another revision abdominoplasty was performed by Mustafa Hamdi and he demonstrated his huge experience in this field. Together with Christoph Heitmann, he perfectly managed another breast case. Tim Marten gave an outstanding lesson about his high-smas face-neck-lift technique on a secondary face-lift patient. His approach for subtotal resection of the submandibular gland for shaping of the neck was one of the outstanding highlights of that course. Wolfgang Gubisch and Rick Davis finally showed their great skills to solve even worst secondary rhinoplasty cases.

On the next day more than 200 participants followed the lectures of that high-class faculty, which was again supported by Bahman Guyron. At the end of the meeting Axel Feller announced his retirement as course director and passed this position to Christoph Heitmann.

The Next SOS Meeting will be held in November 2015 in Munich.
The third annual meeting of the Rhinoplasty Society of Europe took place in Bergamo, Italy, on March 12, 2014, the day before the Fourth Bergamo Open Rhinoplasty Course.

After a video from our President Wolfgang Gubisch and a Keynote Lecture from Ronald Gruber, the meeting started with special in-focus presentations followed by three short-videos sessions in the format first successfully introduced in the first RhiSoEu videosymposium in Paris in January 2013. 44 five minutes long videos were presented, emphasizing specific topics of personal technique and new items/ideas in immediately followed by five more minutes of discussion. The quality of the short videos was generally very high and the discussion following each informative and oftentimes provocative. The feedback received from participants was overwhelmingly positive and, in fact, a number of new application forms for the new Society were filled out immediately at the meeting. It is an obvious and indisputable fact that are the Rhinoplasty Society of Europe is now growing in relevance, science, and participation in the international scenario of the fascinating world of rhinoplasty.
The fourth edition of the biennial Bergamo Open Rhinoplasty Course was held in Bergamo on March 13-15, 2014, immediately following the Third Rhinoplasty Society of Europe annual meeting. The meeting consisted of a dense schedule of presentations, lectures, interactive videos, panels, and in-depth masterclasses, focusing on state-of-the-art primary and secondary open rhinoplasty. The Faculty was a large one of internationally reputed masters in the field of rhinoplasty, coming from both plastic surgery and ENT backgrounds. The final day was the live surgery day, telecasted in high definition from the brand-new ORs of the Bergamo Hospital, one of the largest and the most modern in the country, with four cases operated by Ronald Gruber, Rick Davis, Nazim Cerkes and the RhiSoEu president Wolfgang Gubisch.

Notwithstanding the economic crisis and the obvious “competition” of other courses, participation was beyond any expectation and counted 268 registered attendees from 52 countries worldwide, excluding faculty and speakers. This testifies that the Bergamo Course has progressively grown in quality and educational value, and it is now well established in the international scenario. It is a fact that possibly this was the best edition in quality and educational value so far, according to the comments received by “checking the pulse” of attendees and the analysis of the evaluation sheets. Sessions were long and at times challenging one’s stamina, but in a way this is, by now, a well-known trait of the course. It is striking that during the “Night Owl” session of video viewing, there were 60 people in the room at 9:50 PM!
On November 7th 2014 there was the 1st symposium on Shape, Function and Aesthetics of the Nose in Berlin organised and led by Jacqueline Eichhorn-Sens (Berlin). Participants from the fields of Otorhinolaryngology, Plastic Surgery and Maxillo-Facial Surgery met at the Hotel de Rome to discuss the latest developments in functional and aesthetic septorhinoplasty together with renowned experts. These included Wolfgang Gubisch (Stuttgart, Germany), Daniel á Wengen (Basel, Switzerland), Hans Behrbohm (Berlin, Germany), Hossam Foda (Alexandria, Egypt) and Werner Heppt (Karlsruhe). On the basis of concise interactive video presentations specific aspects of the physiology and anatomy of the nose as well as detailed surgical approaches were jointly analyzed, and the key principles identified.

The ambitious academic program in a pleasant atmosphere invited for an interdisciplinary cooperative exchange of knowledge and got positive feedback from the participants. Further meetings at regular intervals are scheduled.

MEETINGS 2015
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January 9-10, 2015
Basel (Switzerland)
4th Basel Symposium on Rhinosurgery with cadaver dissection
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March 17-19, 2015
Stuttgart (Germany)
23rd Stuttgart Advanced Course for Functional & Aesthetic Rhinoplasty
www.rhinoplasty-stuttgart-2015.de
**March 20, 2015**
Stuttgart (Germany)
1st Symposium on Nose Reconstruction

www.rhinoplasty-stuttgart-2015.de

**March 21, 2015**
Stuttgart (Germany)
4th Annual Meeting of Rhinoplasty Society of Europe

www.rhinoplasty-stuttgart-2015.de

**April 24-25, 2015**
Leipzig (Germany)
Interdisciplinary beginner's course in Facial Plastic Surgery

www.hno.uniklinikum-leipzig.de/hncms.site/postext/kursefortbildungsangebote,a_id,1466.html

**May 23-24, 2015**
Pretoria (South Africa)
Rhinoplasty workshop with cadaver dissection course

www.rhinoplasty-stuttgart-2015.de

**September 9-12, 2015**
Kassel (Germany)
13th Rhino-Workshop

www.rhino-workshop.de

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