Dear Colleagues,

The XIIIth National Congress of Anatomy, which is organized with participation and by the hosting of Turkish Society of Anatomy and Clinical Anatomy and Near East University and also thanks to your contributions, will be held in Girne, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus/Vuni Palace Hotel between October 28th and November 1st, 2010. As a result of intensive meetings we held as Congress Organization Board, we tried to arrange the best congress agenda for you. Owing to Congress sessions and discussions, we will have the chance to exchange opinions with the expert guests regarding internal problems that closely concerns our departments, education methods for undergraduate and graduate courses and the latest scientific developments by bringing anatomists of our country together.

In order for our Congress to contribute to fast information sharing of today, our organization board has elaborated that discoursers to be actual and scientific, and be chosen from the luminary names in the subjects in which developments are intense. While we have been choosing our discoursers, our greatest wish was to add difference to our Congress with the names who have broken new grounds in their fields.

We assumed that according to recent high-tech developments, especially in last decade and next day’s expectations, as Dr.Dicle expressed that “Medicine in our world is much more technology dependent in both more technology dependent in both diagnosis and treatment and new methods are needed to utilize our knowledge of human anatomy and physiology.” Not only diagnosis and treatment, I also would like to add the medical education field too. Recent high-tech developments in radiology give us an important opportunity to use images obtained from human being in medical teaching as well. My expectation for next years the radiological anatomy and radiological images will take great part in human anatomy teaching. Because of this we consider this congress main topic should be radiological anatomy and teaching facilities in order to get more benefit from radiology for anatomy teaching.

Thanks to our discourser team and our Session Leaders who are valuable names of Turkey in their fields, we hope that the meetings will pass in order and at high level. In our Congress in which the scientific quality will have priority, we hope that also the social activities towards learning about the history and culture of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus which has a special place in our hearts as foster land will be as satisfactory as possible. All of these will find meaning when you accompany us and your participation will enrich this Congress.

We wish our dear colleagues to honour us by participating to this Congress in which they will find what they have looked for within a wide range of program in the subjects concerning Anatomy department.

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