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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of Turkish Society of Nuclear Medicine (TSNM), it is my great honour and pleasure to invite you to the “31st National Congress of Nuclear Medicine” which will be held on April 10–14 2019 at Hilton Congress Center in Bodrum, Mugla and also to the “8th Balkan Congress of Nuclear Medicine” which will be held at the same place at the same time.

As you will all appreciate, Nuclear Medicine is one of the few medical branches which shows a highly accelerated improvement in parallel to the improvements in science and technology. In particular, the concept of “Theranostics”, which refers to relatively individualized and targeted therapeutic applications based on specific diagnostic targets has given rise to an important medical paradigm shift in recent years. Thus, the main theme of this year’s congress is chosen as “Theranostics and Personalized Nuclear Medicine”. Based on our main theme, the scientific programme will focus on the up-to-date developments in the field, the impact of Nuclear Medicine in patient management, current status of diagnostic imaging and radionuclide therapy and future expectations of which will be covered by distinguished experts. At the same time, with a number of invited international speakers with utmost experience and scientific recognition we aimed to exchange knowledge and personal experience through different perspectives.

Upon feedbacks especially from our young colleagues, there will be a series of “Specialist Sessions” for the first time in our congress, in which mostly routine procedures of nuclear medicine will be focused along with case examples and targeted audience will be young specialists who have just completed their residencies along with experienced colleagues who would like to keep their basic knowledge updated.

Moreover, this year we are so proud to have the chance to organize the 8th Balkan Congress in Bodrum at the same time with our national congress, of which the first Balkan Congress was organized in our country with the efforts of TSNM in the year 2012. This important international organization will make it possible to share knowledge and opinions on the current status of Nuclear Medicine especially in Balkan countries, future expectations, cooperation between countries, common problems and threats along with possible solutions which will be open for discussion. All of the sessions of the Balkan Congress will be in English and there will be simultaneous translation from Turkish to English for our international guests.

Along with the scientific sessions, industry and technology exhibition as an all-time-long partner of Nuclear Medicine physicians will be taking place in the congress. This will be a great opportunity for our colleagues to be informed about the latest developments on the hardware and software in the field and to get familiar with the brand-new technology.

On behalf of Turkish Society of Nuclear Medicine, I cordially invite all of my colleagues to the largest and most important scientific organization of Nuclear Medicine in Turkey, 31st national Congress of Nuclear Medicine and also to the 8th Balkan Congress of Nuclear Medicine in which we will be honored to get together with our colleagues from Balkan countries after 7 years and look forward to being with you all on April 10–14 in Bodrum.

With my very best wishes,

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