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IPSO Newsletter: July 2019

Dear Friends,

2019 will be filled with many exciting events for IPSO and you.

We will be calling for elections for 2 important positions in the Executive Council. They are (1) President-elect and (2) Council member-at-large.

The annual congress in Lyon is already taking shape and we will share the scientific programme with you in this newsletter. Once again, we will be having a Pre-meeting Educational Day on Oct 22 with a programme designed to focus on young surgeons.

Other joint meetings planned include the IPSO-WOFAPS meeting (Nov 3-4 in Doha, Qatar) and IPSO-APSA meeting (May 14-17, 2020 in Orlando, USA).

Please read further to find out more!

Yours sincerely
Chan Hon Chui
Secretary, IPSO

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Recognize our IPSO logo for the Lyon meeting

Early Bird Registration deadline is Jul 30, 2019

Remember: Only paid-up IPSO members get a discounted rate

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IPSO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2019



- EC elections will be held this year for
 - **(1) President-elect**
 - **(2) EC member-at-large**
 - According to our Bylaws, Chapter II Article 3.2
 - A **nominating committee** chaired by the President, composed of members of the Executive Council and **4 other Active Members elected by the membership for a one-year term of office** needs to be formed.
 - 4 Non-Executive Council Members of the nominating committee shall be **nominated** by the membership and **selected by online voting**, and they shall **not be candidates for the offices to be elected**.
 - Nominations will be called soon.

IPSO'S NEW WEBPAGE ADDRESS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

On February 8, 2019, we rolled-out the new system that requires members to login. You can update your profile and renew your membership dues at the same time! For members' convenience, a new option allowing you to pay your dues for 1 or 2 or 3 years is available.

Update your profile on IPSO's new
webpage address!

<https://ipso-online.org/>

Things you need to do when you log-on:

- Request and reset your password
- Login to your IPSO account with your email address & the new password
- Update your personal profile
- Renew your membership
- Explore the new IPSO webpage

**IPSO CONGRESS IN LYON, FRANCE October 23-26, 2019
(& Pre-educational Event Oct 22, 2019)**

KEYDATES
EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION UNTIL **JULY 31, 2019**

SIOP 2019
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY
LYON, FRANCE | OCTOBER 23-26, 2019

**51ST CONGRESS OF
THE INTERNATIONAL
SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC
ONCOLOGY**
LYON, FRANCE
OCTOBER 23-26, 2019

In conjunction with:
Childfund Lamer International PROS

No child should die of cancer

<https://siop-congress.org/register/>

The upcoming IPSO congress will once again be held together with SIOP's (Société Internationale d'Oncologie Pédiatrique) annual congress in Lyon. Please register for the meeting at the "siop-congress.org" website.

Note: Only members who **paid up** membership dues for 2019 will be entitled to **members-only discount** at the annual congress. Please renew your IPSO membership early!

Programme Highlights



Surgical Skills Seminar Oct 23, 2019

Surgical techniques for resection of cervico-thoracic tumors
Challenges of Tumor surgery in the neck region
Vena cava/atrial involvement of abdominal tumors

IPSO Symposium Oct 24, 2019

Long term functional results & sequelae after surgical resection of solid tumors

Keynote Lecture Oct 24, 2019

Bringing genomics to the operating room

IPSO-SIOP-PROS Symposium Oct 25, 2019

Interdisciplinary concepts in unresectable tumors

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

The preliminary scientific programme of IPSO annual congress in Lyon, 2019 has been included in this newsletter for your reference.

IPSO Pre-meeting Educational Day



IPSO 2019 **Pre-meeting Educational Day** *Lyon, France* **October 22, 2019**

Operative Strategies
in
Wilms Tumor
Neuroblastoma
Germ Cell Tumors



Contact us: ipso2019@univ-lyon1.fr



This special educational day has been designed to focus on core principles suitable for our young surgeons.

Please encourage our young surgeons to attend.

Register by email:
ipso2019@univ-lyon1.fr



Pre educational day IPSO 2019

Tuesday October 22th 2019

Operative Strategy in Pediatric Oncology

8h30- 9h00: Welcome

9h00 – 10h30: Renal tumors – Wilms Tumors

Coordinator: Piotr Czauderna

- Core principles and operative strategy in open surgery
- Operative strategy in laparoscopic surgery
- Nephron sparing surgery
- Management of thrombus in renal tumours

A.Davidoff

Yves Heloury

J.Fuchs

Simone Abib

10h30- 11h00 : Pause

11h00- 12h30 : Neuroblastoma

Coordinator: Paul Losty

- Anatomy of neuroblastomas
- Core principles and operative strategy in neuroblastoma
- Endoscopic and robotic surgery: for which NB

Sabine Sarnacki & H.Brisse

M.Laquaglia & J.Nuchtern

T. Blanc & S. Irtan

12h30- 14h00: Lunch

14h – 15h10 : Malignant Germ Cell Tumours

Coordinator: H el ene Martelli

- Sacrococcygeal teratoma
- Gonades
- Thorax and Retroperitoneal

Federica Decorti

Fr ed eric Hameury

Fr ed eric Lavrand

15h10- 15h30: IPSO Young Investigator Group



IPSO 2019 Pre educational Day, Oct 22

IPSO Congress @ Lyon, 2019

Preliminary Programme

Wednesday, October 23th, 2019

WELCOME, PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AND LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Jörg Fuchs

Local organizers (France)

8:15-8:30

IPSO FP SESSION 1: LIVER and PANCREAS

8:30-9:45 (75 min)

- **SIOP19 - 0816:** The benefit of Indocyanine green (ICG) fluorescence imaging to treat hepatoblastoma from hepatectomy to liver transplantation in pediatrics.
- **SIOP19 - 0056:** Clinical Application of Hisense Computer Assisted Surgery System (CAS) in Pediatric Patients with Giant Liver Tumors
- **SIOP19 - 1225:** Feasibility and outcomes after non-anatomical resection in diligently selected patients with hepatoblastoma.
- **SIOP19 - 0513:** Liver transplantation and liver resection for treatment of hepatoblastoma.
- **SIOP19 - 0194:** Surgical resection of hepatoblastoma in the unavailability of liver transplantation: factors affecting local recurrence.
- **SIOP19 - 0862:** Pancreatectomies for pediatric pancreatic tumors: A single institute experience from 2007 to 2018.
- **SIOP19 - 1347:** Spleen preserving distal pancreatectomy to treat pancreas tumors in children: clinical comparison of splenic vessel preservation and Warshaw technique.

9:45 – 10:15 – Circulating Break

IPSO: DANIEL HAYS SURGICAL SKILLS SEMINAR

10:15 – 11:45 (90 mins)

10:15 – 10:40: Surgical techniques for resection of cervico- thoracic tumors: different approaches and how to prevent complications. **Jaime Shalkow (Mexico)**

10:40 – 11:05: Challenges of tumor surgery in the neck region. **Vincent Couloigner (France)**

11:05 – 11:30: Vena cava/ atrial involvement of abdominal tumors: timing and strategies for resection. **Sharon Cox (South Africa)**

11:30 – 11:45: Discussion

11:45 – 13:45 - Lunch Break, Poster Viewing, Visit Exhibition

IPSO: FP SESSION 2: NEUROBLASTOMA AND SARCOMA

13:45 - 15:15 (90 mins)

- **SIOP19 - 0776:** The evaluation of the new guideline for assessing image- defined risk factors in the low- risk protocol (JN-L-10) from the Japan Children’s Cancer Group Neuroblastoma Committee.
- **SIOP19 - 0209:** Correlational research between image defined risk factors and INRG staging and surgical complications of retroperitoneal neuroblastoma in children.
- **SIOP19 - 0674:** The “delayed local treatment” strategy is a feasible and effective option for multimodal treatment of high-risk neuroblastoma – a single institution experience.
- **SIOP19 - 1090:** The prognostic significance of surgery and radiotherapy for cure in high risk neuroblastoma in South Africa.
- **SIOP19 - 1448:** The impact of chemo-sensitivity on surgical resection in myc-N amplified neuroblastoma.
- **SIOP19 - 0541:** Correlation between imaging and operative findings in children with pulmonary metastatic osteosarcoma undergoing thoracotomy or thoracoscopy: a pediatric surgical oncology research collaborative study.
- **SIOP19 - 1064:** Bilateral anterior thoracotomy: an alternative for bilateral pulmonary metastasectomy in pediatric patients with osteosarcoma.
- **SIOP19 - 0825:** Isolated lung/pleura perfusion as a treatment option for childhood metastatic bone tumors

15:15 – 15:45 - Circulating Break

IPSO: SESSION 3: PROBLEM CASES

15:45- 17:30 (135 min)

Local Interdisciplinary Panel

17:30 - 18:30 - IPSO BUSINESS MEETING

18:30 - 19:30 - OPENING CEREMONY

19:30 - WELCOME NETWORKING RECEPTION

Thursday, October 24th, 2019.

8:40 - 9:10

KEYNOTE 01

The Burden of Childhood Cancer Worldwide And How IARC Informs The WHO Cancer Policies- Elisabete Weiderpass , Sweden

9:10-9:40: Coffee Break, Poster Viewing, Visit Exhibition

IPSO: FP SESSION 4 (PBC SESSION): THE ROBERT ARCECI BEST OF IPSO

9:40 – 11:10 (90min)

- **SIOP19 - 0533:** Number of lymph nodes sampled in SFCE/SIOP 2001 nephroblastoma patients: Is the objective of more than 6 achievable?
- **SIOP19 - 0094:** Relationship between tumor response at therapy completion and prognosis in group III rhabdomyosarcoma: A report from the Children's Oncology Group.
- **SIOP19 - 1567:** Incidence, pattern and predictors of cervical lymph node metastases in differentiated thyroid cancer in children: A longitudinal study at a single centre.
- **SIOP19 - 0643:** Loco- regional treatment of para- testicular rhabdomyosarcoma (PRMS): A report from the European Pediatric Soft- Tissue Sarcoma Group (EpSSG).
- **SIOP19 - 1753:** Microscopic positive resection margin after hepatoblastoma resection and outcome of the patients: A Japanese Study Group for Pediatric Liver Tumor (JPLT)- 2 Study report.
- **SIOP19 - 1207:** Cavectomy without reconstruction for Wilms' tumor with inferior vena cava involvement.

11:10 – 11:20 – Circulating Break

11:20 - 11:50

KEYNOTE 02

Genomics of Renal Tumors. Manfred Gessler, Germany

11:20-12:20. IPSO ORAL POSTER SESSION

- **SIOP19 - 0354:** Intraoperative neuromonitoring in pediatric pelvic surgery.
- **SIOP19 - 1386:** Surgical complications in abdominal tumor surgery in children: Experiences at a single Paediatric Surgery Unit.
- **SIOP19 - 1193:** One- lung ventilation in pediatric thoracic surgical oncology.
- **SIOP19 - 1454:** Dissection of type II or III sacrococcygeal teratoma with a single sacrococcygeal Chevron incision in infants: A single center prospective study on 31 patients.

- **SIOP19 - 0192:** Straightplasty (derotational rotationplasty), an alternate modality of treatment in paediatric malignant bone tumours of lower limb: Psycho-social and clinical evaluation in long term.
- **SIOP19 - 0430:** Outcomes of surgery in ganglioneuroma and ganglioneuroblastoma in a UK single centre.
- **SIOP19 - 0057:** Dong's Liver Segmentation Based on the Portal Vein Branch: A Digital Image Analysis.
- **SIOP19 - 1453:** An unusual complication of tumor surgery: Chylous leak.
- **SIOP19 - 0307:** Surgical management and outcome of malignant ovarian germ cell tumors in children- A multicenter international study.
- **SIOP19 - 0854:** Management of paediatric benign ovarian tumors: A comparative study between England and Egypt.
- **SIOP19 - 0237:** Ewing sarcoma of the thorax: Treatment and outcome.
- **SIOP19 - 0103:** Translation of operative reports into an anatomic cadaveric study for improving perivascular exposition area during resection of abdominal neuroblastoma.

11:50 – 13:20: Lunch Break, Poster Viewing, Visit Exhibition

13:20 - 13:45: Circulating Break

IPSO: FP SESSION 5: RENAL TUMOURS

13:45- 14:45 (60 min)

- **SIOP19 - 0110:** Open versus minimally-invasive surgical techniques in pediatric renal tumors: A Population-level Analysis.
- **SIOP19 - 0349:** Adherence to lymph node sampling recommendations in Wilms' tumours registered in the SIOP WT 2001 and import studies in the UK and Ireland.
- **SIOP19 - 1747:** Bilateral Wilms' tumor: A single institution experience.
- **SIOP19 - 0774:** Clinical features and prognosis of the Clear Cell Sarcoma of Kidney in children- A single institute experience of 43 cases in 10 years.
- **SIOP19 - 1687:** A survey of current practices in the management of Wilms' tumour in Africa.
- **SIOP19 - 0531:** Oncologic and nephrologic prognosis impact of the Nephron Sparing Surgery formula for Wilms' tumours in the Umbrella Protocol: A single- center experience.

IPSO: FP SESSION 6: GCT and MISCELLANEOUS

14:55-15:45 (50 mn)

- **SIOP19 - 0365:** Sacrococcygeal teratomas: Midline incisions improve cosmesis without compromising outcomes.
- **SIOP19 - 0449:** Surgery in perforated pediatric intestinal lymphoma.
- **SIOP19 - 0216:** Surgical treatment of Castleman's disease in children: A report of 10 cases.
- **SIOP19 - 1682:** Counting the cost of premature central venous access device removal.
- **SIOP19 - 1229:** Percutaneous trans-thoracic procedures in children with tumors of thoracic wall, mediastinum and lung. The experience of a single institution.

15:45-16:15: Circulating Break

16:15 - 16:45

KEYNOTE 03: IPSO

(IPSO): Bringing Genomics To The Operating Room

- Sabine Sarnacki (Paris, France)

Chair: Pablo Lobos

16:45-17:00 Circulating Break

IPSO SYMPOSIUM: LONG TERM EFFECTS OF SURGICAL RESECTION OF TUMORS

17:00- 18:30

- Functional results and sequelae after surgical resection of solid tumors. **Florent De Vathaire (France).**
- Functional results after surgical resection of bone and soft tissue tumors. **Jos Brammer (The Netherlands).**
- Outcomes after liver transplantation for malignant tumors. **Jean De Ville De Goyet (BELGIUM).**
- Closing remarks. **Robert Shamberger (USA)**

18:30: Poster Viewing (Poster Area with food and drink)

Friday October 25th , 2018.

IPSO: FP SESSION 7: BASIC RESEARCH and TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENTS

8:30 -9:30 (60 min)

- **SIOP19 - 1451:** Minimally invasive surgery (MIS) In Pediatric Oncology: Experience In a National Pediatric Oncology Center.

- **SIOP19 - 0086:** Reliability of ultrasound- guided core needle biopsy in diagnostics of pediatric solid tumors: A retrospective study.
- **SIOP19 - 0527:** Preoperative 3D reconstruction images for paediatric tumours: Reliability, advantages and drawbacks.
- **SIOP19 - 0582:** Robotic surgery for pediatric tumors: Preliminary results.
- **SIOP19 - 1755:** An orthotopic pleural-based tumor xenograft model to test novel therapeutics for pleuropulmonary blastoma.
- **SIOP19 - 1715:** MicroRNA expression profiles in the esophagus of children with caustic stenosis: Is there a pathway towards esophageal cancer?

9:30-9:40: Circulating Break

9:40-10:10: Keynote 04

Classification of Pediatric Sarcomas: Defining Disease By Genotype

11:50 – 13:20: Lunch Break, Poster Viewing, Visit Exhibition

13:20 - 13:30: Circulating Break

IPSO- PROS- SIOP SYMPOSIUM: INTERDISCIPLINARY CONCEPTS IN UNRESECTABLE TUMORS

Chairs: Jörg Fuchs - Frederick Haumery

14.30- 16.00

Speakers from PROS: SIDHARTHA LASKAR (India)

SIOP: GIANNI BISOGNO (Italy)

IPSO: JÖRG FUCHS (Germany)

ABSTRACTS FOR POSTER EXHIBITION:

- **SIOP19- 0103:** PROPRANOLOL AS A WAY TO AVOID PHYSICAL DISABILITY AND PSYCHOSOCIAL MALADJUSTMENT IN CHILDREN WITH COMPLICATED INFANTILE HEMANGIOMAS.
- **SIOP19- 0992:** SHORT 2 DAY PAEDIATRIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY REVIEW COURSE – ZAMBIA EXPERIENCE.
- **SIOP19- 1754:** ACCEPTANCE OF ENUCLEATION IN THE MANAGEMENT OF RETINOBLASTOMA IN A UNIT OF THE FRANCO- AFRICAN GROUP OF PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY (GFAOP) OF LUBUMBASHI.
- **SIOP19- 1085:** SKELETAL MUSCLE MASS DOES NOT CORRELATE WITH DISEASE SEVERITY IN CHILDREN WITH WILMS’ TUMOR AND NEUROBLASTOMA.
- **SIOP19- 0391:** USE OF INDOCYANINE GREEN FLUORESCENCE IN ASSISTING PEDIATRIC LAPAROSCOPIC RESECTION OF HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA.
- **SIOP19- 1418:** MULTIDISCIPLINARY MANAGEMENT OF RARE DIAPHRAGMATIC GERM CELL TUMOR.
- **SIOP19- 0792:** SURGICAL EMERGENCIES IN PAEDIATRIC CANCER AT DIAGNOSIS. THE DIFFICULTY OF DECIDING WHEN TO OPERATE OR NOT.
- **SIOP19- 0376:** PEDIATRIC MEDIASTINAL TERATOMAS: A REVIEW OF 22 CASES FROM A SINGLE CENTER.
- **SIOP19- 0016:** INTRAVENOUS PATIENT- CONTROLLED FENTANYL ANALGESIA WITH AND WITHOUT QUADRATUS LUMBORUM BLOCK IN PEDIATRIC PATIENTS POST ONCOLOGY ABDOMINAL SURGERY.
- **SIOP19- 1690:** PAEDIATRIC TERATOMA: 25 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE.
- **SIOP19- 1538:** PERCUTANEOUS ENDOVASCULAR REMOVAL OF FRACTURED PORT CATHETERS.
- **SIOP19- 0530:** PEDIATRIC CNS TUMORS: SURGICAL OUTCOME AND LESSONS LEARNT OVER 5 YEARS IN A CONSTRAINED SETTING.
- **SIOP19- 0545:** A 10-YEAR RETROSPECTIVE REVIEW OF PAEDIATRIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY AT CHRIS HANI BARAGWANATH ACADEMIC HOSPITAL.
- **SIOP19- 1736:** SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF OVARIAN NEOPLASMS IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS: A DEVELOPING COUNTRY EXPERIENCE.
- **SIOP19- 1289:** A 12-YEAR RETROSPECTIVE REVIEW OF PRIMARY ADRENAL NEUROBLASTOMAS IN PAEDIATRIC PATIENTS AT A TERTIARY ACADEMIC HOSPITAL IN SOUTH AFRICA.
- **SIOP19- 0953:** INFLUENCE OF GENDER ON RENAL FUNCTION AND BLOOD PRESSURE BEFORE SURGERY AMONG CHILDREN WITH UNILATERAL RENAL TUMOR.
- **SIOP19- 0805:** APPLICATION OF 3D SCANNER RECONSTRUCTIONS AND PRINTING FOR COMPLEX PEDIATRIC SOLID TUMORS SURGERY.
- **SIOP19- 0168:** LONG TERM SURGICAL OUTCOME OF PAEDIATRIC VERTEBRAL HAEMANGIOMAS PRESENTING WITH MYELOPATHY.
- **SIOP19- 0454:** PEDIATRIC APPENDICEAL CARCINOID TUMORS: A REVIEW OF 27 CASES FROM A SINGLE CENTER.
- **SIOP19- 0438:** CEMENTOPLASTY RECONSTRUCTION AS A SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVE FOR CHEST WALL RECONSTRUCTION.
- **SIOP19- 0017:** ANTERIOR RECTUS SHEATH BLOCKS IN CHILDREN WITH ABDOMINAL WALL PAIN DUE TO ANTERIOR CUTANEOUS NERVE ENTRAPMENT SYNDROME AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC ONCOLOGY SURGERY.
- **SIOP19- 1679:** INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY IN PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY – THE NOTTINGHAM EXPERIENCE.

- **SIOP19- 1756:** UPFRONT VERSUS DELAYED RESECTION OF PLEUROPULMONARY BLASTOMA.
- **SIOP19- 0217:** SACROCOCCYGEAL TERTIARY CENTER IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA.
- **SIOP19- 0470:** CLINICO- PATHOLOGICAL PATTERN AND OUTCOME OF PEDIATRIC ADNEXAL MASSES: INSTITUTE EXPERIENCE.
- **SIOP19- 1109:** DIVERSE EVOLUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF AN UNUSUAL PRESENTATION OF NON-HODGKIN ABDOMINAL LYMPHOMA.

IPSO Dinner Oct 24, 2019



Vatel Institute
 Traditional and modern restaurant
 Lyon City Center – Carnot Square
 60€ 3-courses dinner

Register by email:
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Problem Cases Session Oct 23, 2019

An all-time favorite session. This is the time to bring along and present your problem cases to a distinguished multidisciplinary panel and an international audience. You will not be disappointed with the opinions and advice given. If you have a case to present, please prepare short and concise presentation of up to 5 powerpoint slides and inform Pablo Lobos, Sabine Sarnacki or Chan Hon Chui before the session for a presentation slot.

WOFAPS-IPSO JOINT MEETING 2019 November 1–3 2019, Doha Qatar



Pediatric Oncology Symposium November 3, 2019

1. The role of imaging in neuroblastoma surgery
2. Minimally invasive surgery in solid paediatric tumors
3. Reconstructive surgery in combination with Brachytherapy in BPRMS
4. HIPEC in soft tissue sarcoma
5. Management of neonatal tumors
6. Surgical strategies in liver tumor surgery - PHITT protocol
7. Ovarian tumors: surgical challenges and the role of organ preserving surgery

Interactive Workshop, November 4, 2019

- A. Tips and tricks in Wilms tumor surgery
 - a. Management of large tumors via tumor nephrectomy
 - b. Nephron sparing surgery
- B. Movie session about tumor surgery including pre- operative planning of tumor surgery
- C. Chemotherapy treatment options for malignant tumors in low and middle income countries

<https://www.wofaps.org/events/wofaps-2019-congress/>

IPSO-APSA JOINT MEETING

May 14-17, 2020, Orlando, Florida, USA

- Time and date: May 14-17th 2020
- Venue: Hyatt Regency Grand Hotel, Orlando, Florida
- Deadline Abstract Submission: 30th September 2019
- <https://www.emedevents.com/c/medical-conferences-2020/american-pediatric-surgical-association-aspa-annual-meeting-2020>

President's Corner

Dear Colleagues and friends,

Once again, we would like to welcome all IPSO members and guests to Lyon, France and we hope you will enjoy our scientific programme and events.

An outstanding programme has been organized by our IPSO Programme directors Drs. Pablo Lobos (Argentina) and Sabine Sarnacki (France). We would like to thank our local IPSO organizing chair, Dr. Frederic Hameury for all his work and for preparing the Pre-educational Day. The IPSO dinner will be held at the Restaurant Vatel in the evening of October 24th. IPSO members and guests are welcome to register for this dinner.

The main IPSO program will begin in the morning of October 23rd. The **Daniel Hays Surgical Skills Seminar** will focus on several issues: the role of surgery and challenges in tumor surgery in the neck region, surgical techniques for resection of cervico-thoracic tumors, and the management of vena cava/ atrial involvement of abdominal tumors. The **IPSO Keynote Lecture** this year will be given by S. Sarnacki on "Bringing genomics into the operating theatre". On Oct 25th, the **SIOP-IPSO-PROS Symposium** will discuss "Treatment concepts and challenges in unresectable tumors".

We would like to encourage, and welcome all of you to attend our scientific sessions

and fully participate in the discussions. We hope everyone will enjoy our scientific programme and also the many wonderful opportunities to explore Lyon, the beautiful countryside of France, and the French hospitality.

In our efforts to reach out to our paediatric surgery colleagues, IPSO will be holding its first joint meeting with **WOFAPS in November 2019 in Doha, Qatar**. In addition, IPSO will be holding a joint meeting with **APSA in May 2020 in Orlando, USA**. We hope you will come and participate in these joint meetings.

Jörg Fuchs, Germany / IPSO President

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