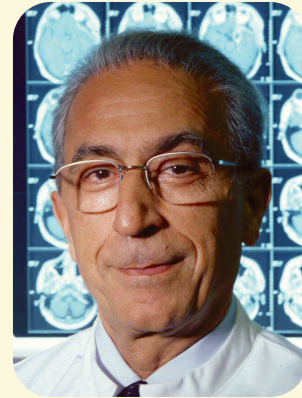


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It is a pleasure for me to welcome all readers of the 31st publication of Women's Neurosurgical Association of Japan. In the history of neurosurgery it is a great achievement of the worldwide development that the number of women who are working as neurosurgeons is increasing and I believe that the Women's Neurosurgical Association of Japan, particularly the founder Yoko Kato have contributed a lot to demonstrate the value and accomplishment of female neurosurgeons in the world of neurosurgery. I have a great respect for all women who make such a decision to accept the hardest work such as neurosurgery and devote themselves for their lifetime to serve as neurosurgeons for treating patients who need help. As the Past-President of the World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies and as a neurosurgeon who is traveling more than 35 years through the whole world, I know very well that women still have a lot of difficulties in many aspects to be treated just like male neurosurgeons. In the same time I do not forget their personal responsibility for their families.

In the meantime we have a very good organization of female neurosurgeons in many countries and I am very optimistic that in the international committee they will communicate strongly together and influence the future development. It was a great feeling and pleasure for me to have for the first time in the history of WFNS Dr.Yoko Kato as an Officer in the Administrative Council.

I wish all of you further success in your professional and private life.

Looking forward to see you in different meetings in Japan.