Dear Friends & Colleagues,

On behalf of the organizing and scientific committee, it is my great pleasure and honor to invite you to attend the 12th Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons Conference to be held in Dubai in 2018. This will inaugurate the first ACNS Conference to be held in this region of Asia. It reflects the close collaboration with World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies and adjoined with the 2nd Interim Meeting of World Federation of Skull Base Societies.

This comprehensive international academic endeavor will focus on teaching and education of young neurosurgeons toward excellence in patient care with the motto “inspiration & innovation”. It will encompass special lectures by distinguished guest speakers, panel discussion, workshops, and video presentations among other scientific activities that will infuse the contributions of young neurosurgeons with a focus on multidisciplinary approaches and contemporary evidence-based clinical practice. I am proud of and honored by the global collaboration with leading societies and organizations. I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for their anticipated profound scientific contributions.

The conference will provide an excellent milieu for academic inspiration; it will be complemented by a state-of-the-art exhibition and sponsored by leading companies in the field of medical and surgical technology. Dubai is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city that offers an attractive cultural experience with unique opportunities to appreciate the fusion of its mystic history and modernism.

Imad N. Kanaan, MD, FACS, FRCS (Edin.)
President, ACNS Conference 2018
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Regional Advisory Members

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**Conditions**

- Everyone attendant to the conference should register.
- Registration form is available on-line only.
- ACNS members registrants should submit prove of updated membership-fee receipt.
- Resident in training, fellows & students should submit needed document from their institution.
- Accompanying person: immediate family member (spouse, daughter, etc.)
- Refund policy: 50% refund up to 31 November 2017; No refund after 1 December 2017
- No daily admission ticket, no refund for workshops or Banquet tickets.
- Workshops will be available only for registered person to the conference and based on availability and follow the policy of first booked first served.
- Registration fee includes: admission to the scientific conference & exhibition, coffee breaks, and lunch meal for 3 days and presidential dinner.
- Special 5-course Gala dinner & entertainment ticket (additional fee $75)
### Preliminary Program Outline

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* S-W: Sponsored Workshop  * F-P: Flash Presentation

### Pre-Conference Workshops

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**Conference Venue**  
Grand Hyatt Hotel, Dubai

**Official Language**  
English

**Web Activation Date**  
01 June 2017

**Abstract Submission**  
Online submission only.  
Abstract submission date 01 June 2017 – 31 October 2017  
Response to abstract submission will be received before 30 November 2017

**Conference Organizers**  
Charisma Experts Conference Organizers

**Sponsorship Categories**

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**Guidelines**  
Sponsorship form is available online.
Email: info@acns2018.com
Website: www.acns2018.com
Conference Objectives:
The objectives of the ACNS conference are focused on education and promotion of neurosurgical practice. It will include keynote lectures by eminent masters who will share their vast experience with young neurosurgeons and cover the different aspects of neurosurgical specialty. The lectures are complemented by active discussions, video presentations, and special pre-conference workshops. The medical exhibition will host elite medical companies, showing their state of the art innovations and technologies. The venue will offer the right milieu for collegial interactions and networking.

Target Audience:
The 12th ACNS conference offers a unique opportunity for residents in-training, young fellows, and established neurosurgeons to update their academic knowledge and foster their clinical practice in the field of general and subspecialty neurosurgery, including trauma, skull-base and minimally invasive surgery, pediatric, functional, neurovascular, spine surgery and their related disciplines. The conference also provides comprehensive acquaintances with contemporary diagnostic methods and instrumentations for nurses and medical technologists.

Main Topics
- Neuroanatomy
- Neuro-oncology
- Cerebro-vascular
- Skull-Base & Pituitary
- Neuro-endoscopy
- Spine & Peripheral Nerves
- Pediatric Neurosurgery
- Stereotactic & Functional Neurosurgery
- Neuro-trauma & Critical Care
- Women in Neurosciences
- Young Neurosurgeons Forum
- Research, Education and Innovation
- Ethics and Socio-economics

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