

Pan - Balkan Conference On Thalassaemia

09 – 10 October 2016

Thessaloniki, Greece

Organized by the
Thalassaemia International Federation

In collaboration with
Greek Thalassaemia Association

Under the auspices of
Greek Thalassaemia Federation

Programme

Sunday 09 October 2016

PAN - BALKAN CONFERENCE ON THALASSAEMIA: NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD

Grand Hotel Palace // Hall TBC*

16:00 – 16:15 **Welcome Messages by:**
A. Eleftheriou – Thalassaemia International Federation
V. Dimos – Greek Thalassaemia Association

Chairpersons: V. Perifanis & E. Vlachaki

16:15 – 16:40 **Advances in iron chelation therapy** *A.Piga*
16:40 – 17:05 **Osteoporosis** *V. de Sanctis*
17:05 – 17:30 **New drugs in thalassaemia management** *A.Piga*
17:30 – 18:00 *Coffee Break*

Chairpersons: D. Pantelidou & E. Hasapopoulou

18:00 – 18:30 **Gene Therapy in Haemoglobin Disorders Globally** *E. Yannaki*
18:30 – 19:00 **The value of accurate & regular monitoring of iron overload** *A. Taher*

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- 19.00 – 19.15 **New Developments in the Care & Cure of Haemoglobin Disorders: The patients perspective & expectations** *G. Constantinou*
- 19.15 – 19.30 **The power of the voice of vulnerable groups in society** *I. Vardakastanis*
- 19.30 – 19.45 **Discussion**

20:00 Dinner (*by invitation only*)

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PAN - BALKAN CONFERENCE ON THALASSAEMIA: PATIENT/PARENT ASSOCIATIONS' CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP

Onsite Tour to Service Providers

- 08.30 Buses depart from Grand Hotel Palace
- 09:00 – 10:00 Hippokraton Hospital
- Thalassaemia Centre
 - Blood donation unit
 - Thalassaemia Prevention Center
 - Transfusion Unit
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- 10:15 – 11:15 AHEPA Hospital
- Molecular Control of Blood
 - Blood donation unit
 - Thalassaemia Centre
- 11:30 – 12:30 Papanikolaou Hospital
- Gene Therapy Center
- 13.00 Return to Grand Hotel Palace

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch (*by invitation only*)

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Facilitators: G. Constantinou, L. Brunetta, C. Stephanidou

- 15:00 – 15:40 **Capacity Building Workshop 1: Building infrastructure**
Introduction – L. Brunetta (10 mins)

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The experience of the Greek Thalassemia Association (Thessaloniki) – TBC (10 mins)
The example of the Thalassaemia International Federation – A. Eleftheriou (10 mins)
Discussion & Conclusion (10 mins)

15:40 – 16:20

Capacity Building Workshop 2: Successful Advocacy

Introduction – L. Brunetta (10 mins)
The experience of the Greek Thalassemia Association (Thessaloniki) – TBC (10 mins)
An example from Bulgaria - TBC (10 mins)
Discussion & Conclusion (10 mins)

16.20 – 16.40

Coffee Break

16.40 – 17.20

Capacity Building Workshop 3: Fundraising

Introduction – L. Brunetta (10 mins)
The experience of the Greek Thalassemia Association (Thessaloniki) – TBC (10 mins)
An example from the United Kingdom - TBC (10 mins)
Discussion & Conclusion (10 mins)

17:20 – 18:00

Capacity Building Workshop 4: Collaboration

Introduction – L. Brunetta (10 mins)
The experience of the Greek Thalassemia Association (Thessaloniki) – TBC (10 mins)
An example from Romania - TBC (10 mins)
Discussion & Conclusion (10 mins)

18:00

END OF CONFERENCE

Organizing Committee

On behalf of Thalassaemia International Federation:

Dr Androulla Eleftheriou Executive Director
Dr Michael Angastiniotis Medical Advisor

On behalf of Greek Thalassaemia Association:

Vassilis Dimos President
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