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CIRCULAR FOR SPOSIANNUAL CONFERENCE—2019.

Dear collegues,

Greetings from the secretary office.

A wonderful midterm conference was held at Hubli. First time, mid-term had a stupendous attendance. Compliments to the org. secretary, Dr. krishnaprasad & his team.

We now move forward to the coveted annual conference. The 2019 annual conference will be held at Chennai, hosted by the Sankara Netralaya, on 7th & 8th December, 2019. Sankara Netralaya is a nationally renowned institute and needs no further description.

The secretary office and LOC are going all out to make this conference a memorable one, both in terms of logistics & scientific programs. The following is the organising committee team at Chennai:

Dr.T Surendran—Org. Chairman. email: drtss@snmail.org

Dr. Sumita Agarkar—Org. secretary. email: drsar@snmail.org

Dr. Meenakshi-jt. Org. secretary. email: drms@snmail.org

For any assistance please contact any of them.

An intimation leaflet has been posted on the SPOSI website. A detailed brochure will be posted in due course of time, as soon it is available from the LOC.

A change from the old rhetoric in the scientific program is being made. Didactic sessions will be shortened and will be limited to expert talks only

and programs like interactive sessions, case-based discussions, open house discussions, debate on controversies, quiz, & much more will be incorporated.

Final scientific program will be posted on the website after receiving all talks, free papers and competitive session papers in September.

An informal 'breakfast session' for young, aspiring pediatric ophthalmologists is being organised in coordination with LOC on 7th & 8th morning at the venue. There is no extra fees but participants will have to pre-register, as there are limited seats. Please send your names to the organising secretary of LOC, Dr Sumita Agarkar.

The registration of SPOSI members, as decided by GBM, is Rs. 3000/-. It is valid till 31st Oct. After this date the fees will increase. For residents and fellows the Registration Fees is Rs. 1500/-.

The following competitive sessions will be an important part of scientific program and carry a Gold Medal award & a citation. Please visit the website for rules & eligibility criteria. The awards are open to all ratified members.

- 1) Best Free paper award: Prof. Kamlesh Award
- 2) Best Video presentation in **Strabismus only:** Prof. Hanumantha Reddy award.
- 3) Best Interesting case presentation award: Prof. Subhash Dadeya award.
- 4) Best poster award (E-poster & physical poster): Prof. Yogesh Shukla award.
- 5) Best publication award: Prof. AK Khurana award.

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- 6) Excellence in Strabismology award: Prof. B.S. Goel award.

 (As per resolution passed at Baroda GBM, the age limit for this award is now above 40 yrs.)
- 7) Best of International paper award: Prof. Pradeep Sharma award.

 This award has been introduced last year, after approval from the GBM & consists of a session incorporating free paper / invited talk, read / accepted in any International conference in the current year. The best paper in this session will be selected by the judges of the session. The last date for submission of such paper is 31st October.

The last date for submission of papers of all other categories & application for excellence award is 30th September, 2019.

VICE-PRESIDENT ELECTION:

As per the constitution, Vice-President will be elected every year.

Eligible candidates should send their application, duly proposed & seconded, in hard copy, latest by 30th September, 2019 to the secretary office and copy by mail to the secretary & president to acknowledge the date of receipt. In case of more than one candidate, ON-LINE elections will be conducted. Please see that your emails are updated.

The updated list of SPOSI is on the website.

Thanking you,

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Prof. yogesh Shukla, Secretary.

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