Message from the President

On behalf of the IPEG Leadership it is my pleasure to introduce the IPEG Newsletter which provides the latest news and developments of IPEG to our community. The Newsletter will be sent out twice a year to all IPEG members.

IPEG is doing very well. We have become a truly international organization with over 600 members originating from more than 22 countries and these numbers are steadily increasing. IPEG broke new ground in 2013. It was the first time the Annual Congress was held in China. This meeting was a great success. It was marvellous to see how enthusiastic the Chinese community of endoscopic paediatric surgeons communicated with IPEG. Chinese colleges gave many excellent presentations which confirmed their great experience with minimally invasive techniques. As a result, friendship and continuous communication between Chinese paediatric surgeons and IPEG will stay in the future. The success of the congress was confirmed by more than 400 registrants, sold out hands on courses, and a live webcast! Finally, our community celebrated an excellent get together with endless music and dancing. I wish to thank the local leaders Prof. Tadashi Iwanaka, Prof. Satoshi Ieiri, Prof. Long Li, Prof. Paul KH Tam, and Prof. C.K. Yeung for their valuable input and great efforts and their teams for their great effort and organizing everything so well. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the 2013 Program Chairs for an excellent program that was very well received.

Ten IPEG Committees were very active throughout the recent year. Numerous processes have been initiated such as the development of a new paediatric trainer, the Toronto model. The changes in the ACCME process and Conflict of Interest monitoring have been addressed and the standards for clinical and evidence based IPEG guidelines have been set up. IPEG Committees rely on the activity of their chairmen and members. Therefore, I would like to encourage more IPEG members to join and support the Committees in the interest of expanding the use of minimally invasive techniques in children. IPEG needs you!

IPEG also continues to reach out to its members through its co-endorsed workshops such as the Rocky Mountain Children’s Hospital Workshop, held in Vail, Colorado, each January and the IPEG postgraduate workshop held in Berlin, Germany, this October 2013, in conjunction with WOFAPS. It is through these workshops that minimally invasive techniques are promoted and help to improve the competence of our colleges, as well as strengthen the IPEG profile.

Throughout the recent year IPEG staff guided us effectively through the administration of our objectives. IPEG Leadership is very thankful for this continuous support by its management company BSC Management Inc.

To all I say, stay with IPEG. Become a volunteer, become part of the family! It is a great community of surgeons that promotes a great technique and has great meetings.

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming Annual IPEG Congress in Edinburgh, Scotland, held at the Edinburgh International Conference Center (EICC), July 22-26 2014. This will be a joint meeting with the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons.

Sincerely yours,
Benno Ure, MD, President of IPEG

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I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to my co-chairs, Philipp Szavay, Satoshi Ieiri, and C.K. Yeung, and the local Chinese Committee, Long Li and Paul Tam, for a most successful 22nd Annual Congress. We had over 425 attendees, a sold out hands on course, and a packed house for the live surgery! These are remarkable accomplishments for our first visit to China.

I am grateful to all of our panelists, presenters, moderators, and lab instructors who made this meeting such a success. I would like to especially acknowledge the efforts of Philipp Szavay and Kathy Barsness for their efforts to make our hands on lab the most successful to date. We owe our gratitude to Celeste Hollands, the CME chair, who undertook the herculean administrative tasks necessary for us to offer continuing medical education credits.

I would also like to give a special thank you to Makoto Hashizume for delivering an engaging Karl Storz Lecture on, “Education and Training for Minimally Invasive Surgery” and to Chack Fan Lee for delivering a fascinating Keynote Lecture titled, “From Dunhuang to Hong Kong – Historic Interaction between China and the West.” Most of all, I would like to give my congratulations to Tadashi Iwanaka, the President of the 22nd Annual Congress. It was my pleasure to serve as Dr. Iwanaka’s Program Chair. His leadership and foresight enabled the success we enjoyed at the congress. His Presidential Address, “Skill Qualification of Pediatric Minimally Invasive Surgery” was very timely and informative.

The 2013 IPEG Congress video presentations are now available on the IPEG Site and can be viewed clicking on to: www.ipeg.org/category/video-library/2013-meeting.

Thank you all and I look forward to seeing you in Edinburgh in 2014!

— Mark L. Wulkan, MD
**IPEG Membership Statistics**

**AS OF 12/13/2013**

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For **IPEG’s 23rd Annual Congress for Endosurgery in Children**, July 22-26, 2014, held at the Edinburgh International Convention Center (EICC), in Edinburgh, Scotland. Held in Conjunction with BAPS.

**Timeline:**
- **Abstract Deadline** – Friday, January 31, 2014
- **Advance Program release** - Mid February
- **Registration Opens** – Early March
- **Abstract Notifications** – March 21, 2014
- **Housing and Early Registration deadline** – June 9, 2014

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JUNE 2013 TO PRESENT

PLATINUM ($5,000 & ABOVE)

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April 14-18, 2015

Social Corner

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Greetings from The Mackinlay’s 2013 family vacation

2014 IPEG & BAPS Leaders meet in Berlin (October 2013)

Hello from Marcela Bailez and Family on vacation