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SUBJECT MATTER: Request for sponsorship of the "School of Spine Surgery" meeting

Dear sponsor,

we are contacting you with a request for financial support of the Spring Orthopedic Meeting organized by the Slovenian Orthopedic Association (SOA). Our society is a representative body of all Slovenian orthopedic surgeons, representing Slovenian orthopedics in the European area (EFORT, UEMS-OT, EBOT) and facilitating participation of younger colleagues in European training programs (FORTE).

In 2019 we organized two meetings. The spring meeting has focused on Hip Endoprosthetics and the treatment of patients with Periprosthetic Infections. During the fall meeting, a minisymposium on Tumor Orthopedics was organized as well as the School of Knee Endoprosthetics. Both meetings were very well attended with over 50 orthopedic participants. More information about the Association's activities is available at <u>http://zdruzenje.ortopedov.si/</u>.

The 2020 spring meeting of our Association will be held in Moravske Toplice, March 27th and 28th. The program annexed to this request is prepared by Slovenian orthopedic surgeons from various Slovenian hospitals with the aim of establishing a single Slovenian platform for specialist education and training of orthopedic residents, for the first time on the topic of "Spinal Surgery". More than 50 participants from orthopedic departments across Slovenia are expected at this meeting.

The organization of the meeting is an additional financial burden for our Association, so we are asking you to support it financially. We offer you a showroom and a workshop, at which you are invited to present your products. For further information regarding the transfer of funds, please contact Mrs. Ilda Ajdarpasic, in the accounting of the Slovenian Medical Association (racunovodstvo@szd.si) or treasurer Dr. Matevz Kuhta (matevz.kuhta@gmail.com).

With best regards

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Annex:

- Program of the SOA Spring Orthopedic Meeting