

Dear Colleagues,

I have great pleasure in presenting this collection of abstracts from the **10th European Federation of Audiology Societies (EFAS) Congress** (22–25 June 2011) and its accompanying conferences:

- the **6th National Conference of the Audiology and Phoniatics Sections of the Polish Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngologists and Head and Neck Surgeons**,
- the **2nd International Congress of Young Scientists and Students**,
- the **1st International Conference of the Endoscopic Paranasal Sinus Surgery**, and
- the **4th International Course in the Endoscopic Sinus Surgery**.



The meetings are to take place in Warsaw, Poland, and are hosted by the Institute of Physiology and Pathology of Hearing. The 10th EFAS Congress builds on a series of biennial conferences. It is a great opportunity for clinicians and researchers to once again join together with their counterparts throughout Europe and other continents in contributing to and discussing the findings of many new and interesting audiological studies.

Topics of the 10th EFAS Congress include audiology, physiology and pathology of the auditory system, otology, psychology, speech therapy, education, acoustics, psychoacoustics, biophysics, and state-of-the art technology applied in audiology. The scientific program includes keynote lectures, round tables and structured sessions of special interest fields, contributed oral presentations, and poster sessions.

I would like to thank all the speakers, chairs, and participants for their valuable contributions to the meeting. Special thanks go to organizers of the structured sessions who assembled the best scientists in their respective fields. I would also like to express my gratitude to the sponsors and exhibitors for their support.

On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Committee,

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