Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great pleasure for me to inform you that the Board of the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine (PSNM) has entrusted me, as well as the team I head, with organising the 13th Convention of the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine. It is not only a great honour for all the team but also an enormous responsibility, and we will make every possible effort to face up to it.

The main theme of the Convention is “Molecular Imaging and Targeted Radioisotope Therapy — the New Face of Nuclear Medicine”. The possibilities and achievements of nuclear medicine will be presented in the course of the Convention as nuclear medicine is the discipline oriented to the needs of other medical specialisations cooperating in the process of patient diagnosis and treatment. The conference issues will be divided into independent scientific sessions in order to allow large groups of health service specialists (not only members of the PSNM) to take part in all or selected lectures of the Convention.

The sessions will be a presentation forum for the achievements which result from the cooperation of the nuclear medicine specialists and other branches of medicine specialists from leading Polish centres. It will be also possible to attend lectures delivered by the invited specialists from the European Association of Nuclear Medicine. All the presentations will be published in the renowned scientific magazine Nuclear Medicine Review.

It is of vital importance that every member of our Society take part in this momentous event. The Convention will also be accompanied by the General Assembly of the members, in which the Board operation report will be presented.

Simultaneously, the Fair of Medical Diagnostics and Therapeutic Equipment and Appliances “Medicine of the XXI Century” will be held. The programme of the event encompasses the meeting of health service managers (i.e. directors of health service facilities, national consultants in various branches of medicine, voivodeship marshals, and local government delegates) with the representatives of the Ministry of Health and the National Health Service Fund. The meeting will be devoted to the problems of medical services financing as well as to the costs and effectiveness of new medical solutions.

Targi Kielce S.A., the state of the art trade fair, exhibition, and congress centre, will be the venue for our meetings. Let me also highlight the fact that our Convention is much more than a platform for experience exchange in the field of our professional interests but also it creates a chance to become familiar with the Świętokrzyskie Region — a welcoming and hospitable land full of tourist attractions.

You are most welcome to participate actively in all the sessions which comprise the 13th PSNM Convention.

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