

Guest Editors



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Dragan Subotic

Dragan Subotic is a professor of surgery at the University of Belgrade School of Medicine and director of the Clinic for Thoracic Surgery, Clinical Center of Serbia, in Belgrade. He is an active member of the European Association for Cardiothoracic Surgery (EACTS), being a member of the thoracic domain in 2008–2011, and currently chairing the working group for pleuropulmonary infections of this association. Since 1999, Dragan Subotic has been actively participating within the surgical assembly of the ERS. The focus of his activities is to maintain and promote multidisciplinary activity of surgical and other assemblies, mostly in the form of joint scientific events during the annual congresses and through external educational courses.

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