

**LETTER FROM
THE PRESIDENT**



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Dear Friends and Plastinators,

On behalf of the International Society for Plastination (ISP) I would like to thank all of you who participated in the 20th International Conference on Plastination, Chile (July 2022). I would like to thank Universidad de la Frontera, Temuco, Chile, and especially the efforts made by Dr Nicolas Ottone and his local team, to organize this online congress. There were many hours of coordinated work with the ISP Council to develop the best conference possible. For this reason, I would like to express my special thanks to Carlos Baptista, Robert Henry, Dmitry Starchik, Kees de Jong, Hong-Jin Sui, and Telma Masuko; without their help this online congress would not have been possible.

I want to express my gratitude to the speakers: thank you for your work and commitment to our Society. You have transmitted new ideas to apply in our labs, we learned a lot during the congress and we established interesting collaborations to increase the tremendous potential of plastination as a tool in our anatomy teaching and research activity.

In the general meeting of the ISP celebrated during the 20th International Conference on July 20, 2022, the new Officers and Councilors for the biennial 2022-2024 were announced: President: Dmitry Starchik, Vice-president: Nicolas Ottone, Secretary: Octavio López, Treasurer: Carlos Baptista, and Councilors: Robert Henry, Kees De Jong, Wilma Olivier, Albertina Popp, Patrick William Frank, Annette Dall, Francisco Reina, and Ming Zhang. I would like to thank Dr Selcuk Tunali for his support with this election process.

It has been an honor to serve our Society as president. Thank you to the great team I have had with me during these years (Dmitry Starchik, Nicolas Ottone, Carlos Baptista, Philip Adds, Robert Henry, Kees de Jong, Hong-Jing Sui, Telma Masuko, and Onyemaech Azu). Thank you for your support and friendship, I am very proud of the work we have done together. I greatly appreciate the time you have dedicated to the ISP, thank you very much.

Congratulations to all elected Officers and Councilors, you are the principal part of our Society during the next two years. I wish the new President all the best and success. I am sure you will work hard to promote new activities and to increase the prestige of our Society. You have my support and I will try always my best to help you.

I would like to welcome all new members of the ISP and I invite you to participate in the Journal of Plastination. Please, share with us your results, your expertise in plastination, and other anatomical techniques.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude to Dr. Philip Adds, for the superb job as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Plastination and for the continued organization of the journal.

Thank you very much and I hope to see you all face to face at our next International

Conference.

With the kindest regards from Murcia, Spain

Yours sincerely,

Rafael Latorre