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Foreword

The Malaysian Society of Anaesthesiologists was proud to host this important biennial event which was held on 2nd to 5th July, 2009 in the cultural and scenic city of Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. For the first time, we combined the 16th ASEAN Congress of Anaesthesiologists and the 7th National Conference on Intensive Care. The theme of the conference, “Forging Ahead Together” was aimed towards Anaesthesiologists in the ASEAN region working together to improve anaesthesia care.

The congress was a huge success with over 1600 delegates and 75 speakers from ASEAN and around the world. The Scientific Committee was very pleased to note the overwhelming response to our call for abstracts, with over 100 submissions from all over the world. We would like to record our thanks to our speakers and our delegates who have made this event possible.

To mark this special event, the Organising Committee has decided to produce a book of conference proceedings comprised some of the lectures from invited speakers and free papers presented by delegates at this congress. I wish to thank Medimond-Monduzzi Editore International Proceedings Division for their assistance in the preparation of these Proceedings.

We would also like to express our grateful thanks to the speakers and delegates who have so kindly contributed the articles for these Proceedings.

We hope all delegates have had an enjoyable and enriching experience and to those visiting from outside Sabah, we hope your stay was pleasant and memorable.

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