II. PRAGUE SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM IN CARDIAC SURGERY

On October 23, 2015 the second PRAGUE SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM IN CARDIAC SURGERY took place at the Charles University General Hospital in Prague, Czech Republic. The event was held under the auspices of the Czech Society for Cardiovascular Surgery. The symposium was organized by prof. Jaroslav Lindner, head of Department of Cardiovascular Surgery, Charles University General Hospital in Prague.

Dr. Milena Černá, head of The Committee of Good Will – Olga Havel Foundation welcomed the international and local faculty, OMI fellows and the participants of the symposium and presented the Open Medical Institute, Salzburg Medical Seminars International and the Open Medical Club of the Czech Republic.

Dr. Stephane Mahr, surgeon of the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Medical University of Vienna, began his lecture dedicated to Aortic Dissection – Aortic Arch Surgery. Dr. Edward G. Soltesz, surgeon in the Department of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery at the Cleveland Clinic presented the topic of Mitral Valve Surgery - Ischemic Mitral Valve Regurgitation.

After a discussion Dr. Stephane Mahr continued the lectures with Atrial Fibrillation Surgery - Alone or Hybrid Procedure followed by Dr. Edward G. Soltesz on EMCO, LVAD – Postcardiotomy Syndrome and Tricuspid Valve Surgery - Right Ventricle Dysfunction, Pulmonary Hypertension.

At the end of the symposium the Prague Case study seminar offered the presentation of the two best case studies. The winner of the competition BEST POSTER was selected and given an award by Dr. Soltesz.

The 2nd PRAGUE SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM IN CARDIAC SURGERY offered a lot of interactive discussions between the faculty and the participants. The feedback from the participants was very positive. The interaction between the international and local faculty strengthened the cooperation in the field of doctoral programs as well as the other collaborative project with The First Faculty of Medicine, General Teaching Hospital, Charles University, The Department of Cardiovascular Surgery, University Hospital in Vienna and the Cleveland Clinic. All the cooperation projects were discussed with Prof. Jaroslav Lindner, Dr. Edward G. Soltesz and Dr. Jan Marounek, representative of the Ministry of Health during the formal dinner.

40 doctors participated in the lectures, 7 Salzburg Fellows attended the symposium.
Dr. Stephane Mahr from the Medical University of Vienna

Dr. Edward G. Soltesz from The Cleveland Clinic
Prof. Jaroslav Lindner – Charles University, Czech Republic, Dr. Jan Štěrba – the winner of THE BERST POSTER, Dr. Edward G. Soltesz – The Cleveland Clinic