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ESTRO background

His involvement with ESTRO began in 2008, when he took his first ESTRO course, and is member ever since. Meanwhile he finished a few ESTRO courses, and attended several ESTRO conferences. On two conferences he was author of poster presentation. As a part of "Train the trainers" team and program he established contacts and cooperation with ESTRO members from region and Europe promoting cooperation and education of RTTs. Local workshop was organized as a part of program. The team organized this event and held education for RTTs. Thru those years was actively promoting booth ESTRO and RTT alliance membership among colleagues and professional contacts. He has regularly attended the ESTRO national society day representing his society and country. In 2022 was representing ESTRO as expert adviser on EURAMED rocc-n-roll project workshop in Munich, Germany.

Experience

Since 2001 he is working in radiotherapy department in UHC Zagreb. There he obtained different positions as an RTT in treatment delivery, and dosimetrist in treatment preparation, quality assurance and workflow management. Main fields of interest are quality assurance, education and workflow management. From 2022 working as a head RTT in UHC Zagreb radiotherapy department.

For number of years, he is associate in education of radiation technologists providing practical training in fields of oncology, radiotherapy and radiation protection. In 2019 using Erasmus+ programme for staff mobility and staff training visited Trinity college Dublin observing RTT education. As of 2023 working as a lecturer in education of RTTs on University of applied health sciences, Zagreb.

Active member of national society and national chamber. From 2017 to 2022 worked as a head of education committee, and member of chamber board in Croatian radiation technology chamber organizing and promoting continuing professional development in Croatian RTT community.

Since it's origins in 2013, Vedran is strongly involved in South and East Europe Technology in Radiation Oncology (SEETRO) initiative that promotes and organizes RTT education in this region.

Education and Qualifications

He finished his radiation technology study in 1997, and in 2004 he took an additional year of study to get bachelor degree, when Croatian education framework was harmonized according to the Bologna convention.

In 2019 enrolled a master degree and finished in 2022. receiving Diploma in advanced radiotherapy practice on Trinity College, Dublin.

Vedran is native Croatian speaker, and fluent in English and German language.

Personal

Vedran was born in 1975 in Zagreb, Croatia. He is married and father of three. Enjoys music and plays guitar. Likes to travel, meet new people and cultures.

He strongly believes in team work, and necessity of international cooperation in order to achieve higher standard of quality and professional development.

Final statement

Radiotherapy is a propulsive branch of medicine continuously bringing new technological and scientific advances. This is a huge challenge for European RTT community. Coming from a relatively small European county, Vedran is strong advocate of necessity of regional and international cooperation in development of radiotherapy and RTT profession in order to face those challenges. RTT alliance is a strong tool in achieving this goal and must be further improved to increase membership and ensure cooperation and development of RTT profession.