The 4th European Congress on Endometriosis was held in Vienna on the 22-24th Nov 2018. The EEC was, without exaggeration, a long-awaited event. The number of the participants was impressive. As Endometriosis and Adenomyosis Society, Turkey we owe much gratitude to the organising committee for their excellent effort and work. It was a splendid event, both in terms of scientific context and social gratification.

Topics for pre-congress courses were picked up very cleverly and made difference for attendants. Especially the course under the topic of, ‘Presurgical Diagnosis of Deep Endometriosis by Transvaginal Sonography (TVS)’; with the valuable contributions of Dr. Exacoustos, Dr. Hudelist and Prof. Keckstein, showed both perspectives of a surgeon and the sonographer. The course was worth listening and was describing the ultrasound findings of endometriotic nodules, bowel infiltration and also visualisation of the ureters clearly while providing a new insight about the ultrasound findings of DIE.

Congress schedule was absolutely impeccable and was organized in a good manner by all keynotes about endometriosis to be interviewed and argued. Available systems for classification or staging of endometriosis was discussed and the lecturers debated the pros and cons of the most commonly used ones which are the ASRM and ENZIAN. The lecture about the WES consensus on the classifications brought a world-wide aspect to the congress. Current approaches to endometriosis and recently released markers related with endometriosis provided some up-to-date information to participants.

The case-based discussion sessions were the most effective part of the congress in regards to covering all lectures in a variety of cases and the chance of listening to the experts' opinion about their daily clinical practice. The panel in which the case presentations were discussed under the topic of ‘the treatment of DIE from different perpectives’ was obviously very educative, productive and it was actually a brainstorming activity which was including some basic strategies about the diagnose and treatment options and providing lots of take home messages. The inspiring discussions showed young colleagues that there might be different approaches to a case from different skilled DIE surgeons. This was actually referring that, at the practical level, treating ‘the patient’ rather than 'the disease' means considering the patient individually and keeping that in mind when deciding how to proceed.

The whole experience has given young colleagues fresh hope and provided new ideas for the future researches.

The case presentations followed by oral presentations which allowed young scientists to be a part of the community and certainly made them learn a lot.
Networking breaks in between the sessions gave opportunity to participants for meeting with colleagues all around the World. Congress location was easy to be reached surrounded by multiple public transportation choices and fingers cross, Vienna was generous to all of us by not showing its freezing face.

Besides it was also an unforgettable congress for our team considering one of our members, actually, our founding chairman Prof. Oral, MD was announced to be the president of EEL. We all got honored by this occasion and it gave us more enthusiasm to work harder.

We are looking forward to meeting everybody in the following meetings.

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