



## CEORL-HNS 2022

29 October - 2 November 2022 • Milano Convention Centre, Milan, Italy • Daniele Borsetto, MPhil, EBEORL-HNS, Consultant ENT and Skull Base Surgeon  
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Almost 3000 people from 83 countries attended the sixth edition of the Congress of the Confederation of European Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery – an opportunity to strengthen international relationships against a backdrop of a high-quality scientific programme. Professor Piero Nicolai, Congress President, Professor Cem Meco, CEORL-HNS President, and Professor Isabel Vilaseca, Chair of the Scientific Committee, introduced some innovative changes that will almost certainly affect future congresses. They included mentoring sessions and the establishment of the Young Confederation (below). In addition to the keynote lectures, instructional courses and round tables, the mentoring sessions stood out.

These sessions were a unique chance to meet senior colleagues and discuss with them both professional and personal challenges in a way to build up a career. Participants felt they could close

the gap and really talk 'both with the man and the surgeon'. It was interesting not just for the young colleagues attending the section but also for the mentors who had a real opportunity to teach on a broader spectrum. The relaxed atmosphere let their personalities come across.

After the break imposed by the COVID pandemic, the opening ceremony was a chance to recognise recent winners of the Golden Medal of the European Board Exam of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery, EBEORL (HNS): Georgios I Garas for 2019, Tobias Engert for 2021 and Arnaud Lambert for 2022.

The cherry on the cake was the glamorous Italian locations of both the congressional and social events that, combined with the unusually warm weather, made the congress unforgettable and just a very pleasant moment to spend with colleagues working elsewhere, sharing experiences and reinforcing friendships.