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Welcome to the 2021 Portuguese Congress of Cardiology!

The major national scientific event, the Portuguese Congress of Cardiology, will take place in virtual format, as pioneered in the previous Congress to general acclaim, and which we aim to expand and renew based on new communications technology to ensure the full participation of most cardiology centers in Portugal. From the outset the Organizing Committee included representatives of all specialist areas of cardiology from all over the country. After investigating different technological solutions, high-quality digital platforms were incorporated into the 2021 Congress that have enabled us to present the best of Portuguese scientific production in the best possible way. The upcoming Congress has the theme “Synergies in Cardiology”. It presents a diverse program that, given the limitations imposed by the current situation, is innovative but more importantly, integrative. The brave new digital world has enabled us to secure the participation of prominent names from international cardiology and cardiac surgery, who will be able to shed light on gray areas and controversies in both scientific knowledge and clinical practice. The 2021 Congress, work on which began shortly after the 2020 edition, has been designed from the standpoint of multidisciplinary discussions covering all areas of cardiology and cardiac surgery and representing all aspects of Portuguese cardiology. It is

the result of the concerted efforts and commitment of the Organizing Committee, the Congress Department and the Board of the Portuguese Society of Cardiology (SPC), as well as of the Society’s working groups, study groups, specialist associations and all the SPC’s members who have made such important contributions. To all the cardiologists who have agreed to participate as reviewers of scientific works, jury members for clinical and imaging case-based sessions, for scientific prizes and grants, moderators, members of discussion panels and chairs of talks, we cannot thank you enough. Last but not least, we are also grateful to the pharmaceutical and medical device industry for their involvement in this major event in the national scientific calendar. They have long been important partners without whom a large proportion of the Congress’s production would not be possible. The 2021 Congress incorporates the best digital platform for the industry to display its wares, offering significant opportunities for continuing medical education. Let us then enjoy everything that this 2021 Congress has to offer, and seek to build bridges of knowledge in order to create the synergies required to provide the best possible care for those in need. We wish all of you an excellent 2021 Congress.

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