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**WARM INVITATION TO THE UPCOMING 38<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ETA IN SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, SPAIN, SEPTEMBER 6-10, 2014**

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Dear President and Secretary of the American Thyroid Association (ATA),  
Dear President and Secretary of the Latin-American Thyroid Association (LATS),  
Dear President and Secretary of the Asian-Oceanic Thyroid Association (AOTA),  
Dear President and Secretary of the Japanese Thyroid Association (JTA)

On behalf of Professors Furio Pacini (President of the ETA), Colin Dayan (ETA Secretary) and Clara Alvarez (Chair of the Spanish Local Organizing Committee), it is a great pleasure and honor to warmly invite the members of our Thyroid Sister Societies to attend and actively participate at the upcoming annual meeting of the European Thyroid Association taken place in the "Palacio de Congresos", Santiago de Compostela, Spain, September 6-10, 2014.

The congress will be held in the Spanish historical city which hosts one of the oldest universities in Spain and has a world famous tradition in science, art and culture. Galicia, a region in the North West of Spain, has a well-known relationship with thyroid disease since iodine deficiency and endemic goitre were historically present in many areas. The Hospital (Hostel) of the Catholic King and Queen, fully operative from 1511 to attend the medical needs of the multitude of pilgrims arriving to Santiago, succeeded in generating broad medical knowledge and clinical practice of extreme quality since medieval times. This tradition has continued to the present day and the University of Santiago de Compostela has a worldwide known group of basic and clinical endocrinologists.

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Executive Committee of the ETA is offering non-ETA members but current members of the sister societies (ATA, LATS, JTA, AOTA) to register at the ETA annual meeting as Corresponding members (Euro 250 prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, 300 Euro July 1<sup>st</sup> – August 31<sup>st</sup>, and Euro 350, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> and/or on site) instead of Non-members (Euro 500 / 550 / 600). To cross check, the Standing Office of the ETA would be most grateful for the submission of updated member lists of the four sister societies ([euro-thyroid-assoc@endoscience.de](mailto:euro-thyroid-assoc@endoscience.de)).

Looking forward to welcoming you personally as well as numerous members of our Thyroid Sister Societies in Santiago de Compostela, please receive on behalf of the President, Secretary and Executive Committee of the ETA my best personal regards.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kahaly".

George J. Kahaly, MD, PhD  
Treasurer of the ETA