Report from Scholarship Recipients at IFCC General Conference in Madrid

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1. List the scientific items from the programme that interested you:
   
   Among many others I could consider remarkable:
   
   • Emerging and disruptive technologies.
   • Increasing Clinical Effectiveness (ICE).

2. List non-scientific items from the programme that interested you:
   
   • The emergent hybrid Lab Med Conferences: future vision of IFCC congresses and meetings.
   • Evolution of the IVD Industry’s ongoing support for congresses according the business ethics codes.
   • FEN: great potential!!!

3. List learning points that will be useful to your society:
   
   • “Facing the Digital Future of IFCC Communications”. Use of apps to download IFCC e-news and other information in phone devices seems a great possibility when you have limited IT resources.
   • “The new tool for Implementation of Distance Learning Programs in Laboratory Medicine”.

4. List any items that you felt were misleading or unhelpful:
   
   • What is the best strategy to achieve compliance with QMS- and QC-requirements in the clinical laboratory? This interactive workshop maybe had a too inclusive title. The content did not lead you to the expected result.

5. Suggest topics for the programme of the next General Conference:
   
   • Follow-up of how IFCC improves interaction with National Regulatory Authorities (not only FDA).

6. Add any final remarks:
   
   • I cannot compare with former ones, but I think this GC was very well organized; every detail carefully planned, massive audience. Congratulations to the EB, particularly to BG and IFCC Milan Office staff.
   • Scientific topics were original, with updated technology issues; non-scientific topics were really challenging.
   • Possibilities of IFCC getting still closer to laboratory professionals in each country through improved communication media and technologies became evident.
   • Thanks to the EB for granting travel scholarships, else I could not have attended my first IFCC GC.
   • IFCC is all of us.
Dr Manuel Morejón Campa with Paola Bramati, Patrizia Sirtori and Silvia Colli Lanzi