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| Modern Approaches in Neuro-Ophthalmology | June 12-13, 2026 |
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| Hotel Mona Plaza | <i>Belgrade</i> |
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Dear colleagues,

The symposium “Modern Approaches in Neuro-Ophthalmology” in Belgrade brings together neuro-ophthalmologists, neurologists, and neurotologists to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and exchange contemporary knowledge. The program emphasizes the diagnostic and clinical importance of eye movements and ophthalmological findings in neurology, which are essential for the early detection and monitoring of neurological diseases.

Eye movements serve as highly sensitive indicators of central nervous system function, enabling precise lesion localization and early recognition of neurological disorders, often before other symptoms emerge. Abnormalities such as nystagmus, saccadic dysfunction, and impaired smooth pursuit may point to demyelinating, degenerative, or vascular conditions, highlighting their importance in daily clinical practice.

As an interdisciplinary field, neuro-ophthalmology continues to evolve through advances in diagnostic tools, imaging techniques, and therapeutic strategies. This program is designed to equip clinicians with practical skills in clinical reasoning, interpretation of findings, and differential diagnosis, with a focus on recognizing urgent conditions and “red flag” signs.

Through case-based discussions and interactive sessions, participants will bridge the gap between theory and practice, improving diagnostic accuracy and patient outcomes. The integration of modern technologies, including digital platforms and telemedicine, further supports continuous education and professional development.

Overall, this program provides a valuable opportunity to enhance knowledge, clinical competence, and multidisciplinary cooperation in neuro-ophthalmology, ultimately contributing to improved standards of patient care.

We look forward to welcoming you.

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Day 1 – Friday, June 12

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| 08:45 09:00 | OPENING REMARKS Natasa Dragasevic Miskovic (Belgrade) Aasef Shaikh (Cleveland) Aleksandar Ristic (Belgrade) Milija Mijajlovic (Belgrade) |
| 09:00 11:10 | EFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 1 <i>Chair persons: Vladimir S. Kostic, David Zee, Alexander Tarnutzer</i> |
| 09:00 09:30 | Tips, tricks and pearls to diagnose eye movement disorders David Zee (Baltimore) |
| 09:30 09:50 | Eye movements and vestibular function in emergency medicine and critical care Alexander Tarnutzer (Zurich) |
| 09:50 10:10 | Approach to saccades and saccadic intrusions Aasef Shaikh (Cleveland) |
| 10:10 10:30 | Migraine and visual vestibular phenomena Alexander Tarnutzer (Zurich) |
| 10:30 10:50 | Update on instrumented measures and analyses of eye movements Alessandra Rufa (Siena) ZOOM |
| 10:50 11:10 | Discussion – Q&A |
| 11:10 11:30 | <i>Coffee break</i> |

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| 11:30 13:00 | EFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 2 <i>Chair persons: Aasef Shaikh, Joao Lemos</i> |
| 11:30 11:50 | Approach to pediatric eye movement disorders Fatema Ghasia (Cleveland) ZOOM |
| 11:50 12:10 | Approach to pendular nystagmus Joao Lemos (Lisbon) |
| 12:10 12:30 | Approach to downbeat nystagmus Aasef Shaikh (Cleveland) |
| 12:30 12:50 | Approach to other jerk nystagmus Aasef Shaikh (Cleveland) |
| 12:50 13:00 | Discussion – Q&A |
| 13:00 14:00 | <i>Lunch</i> |



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| 14:00 15:10 | EFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 3 <i>Chair persons: Natasa Dragasevic Miskovic, Aasef Shaikh</i> |
| <u>14:00</u> 14:20 | Eye movements in Parkinson's disease and atypical parkinsonism Natasa Dragasevic Miskovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>14:20</u> 14:40 | Deep brain stimulation and its effects on eye movements and vestibular system Aasef Shaikh (Cleveland) |
| <u>14:40</u> 15:00 | Bilateral vestibulopathy Bojana Bukurov (Belgrade) |
| <u>15:00</u> 15:10 | Discussion – Q&A |

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| 15:10 16:20 | EFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 4 <i>Chair persons: Bojana Bukurov, Dusan Pavlovic</i> |
| <u>15:10</u> 15:30 | Eye movement disorders in patients with epilepsy Aleksandar Ristic (Belgrade) |
| <u>15:30</u> 15:50 | Positional vertigo beyond canalolithiasis Bojana Bukurov (Belgrade) |
| <u>15:50</u> 16:10 | Positional nystagmus in vestibular migraine Dusan Pavlovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>16:10</u> 16:20 | Discussion – Q&A |

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| 16:20 16:40 | Coffee break |
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| 16:40 17:55 | PRACTICAL SESSION – SESSION 5 <i>Chair persons: Aasef Shaikh, Igor Petrovic</i> |
| <u>16:40</u> 17:00 | Course 1 - Botulinum neurotoxin treatment in migraine, hemifacial spasm, and blepharospasm Aleksandra Tomic Pesic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:00</u> 17:15 | Trainee case presentations (15 minutes) Andona Milovanovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:15</u> 17:30 | Trainee case presentation (15 minutes) Nina Mazalica (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:30</u> 17:45 | Trainee case presentations (15 minutes) Ana Nikolic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:45</u> 17:55 | Discussion – Q&A |



Day 2 – Saturday, June 13

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| 10:00 11:10 | AFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 1 <i>Chair persons: Sarlota Mesaros, Olivera Tamas</i> |
| <u>10:00</u> 10:20 | Optic neuritis in the context of MS diagnostic criteria Olivera Tamas (Belgrade) |
| <u>10:20</u> 10:40 | Neuro-ophthalmology in NMOSS and MOGAD Alessandro Serra (Cleveland) |
| <u>10:40</u> 11:00 | Update on treatment in neuromyelitis optical spectrum disorders (NMOSS) Sarlota Mesaros (Belgrade) |
| <u>11:00</u> 11:10 | Discussion – Q&A |
| 11:10 11:30 | <i>Coffee break</i> |
| 11:30 12:40 | AFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 2 <i>Chair persons: Nikola Kresojevic, Jasna Jancic</i> |
| <u>11:30</u> 11:50 | Hereditary optic neuropathies: Clinical and paraclinical findings Sanja Petrovic Pajic (Belgrade) |
| <u>11:50</u> 12:10 | Neuro-ophthalmology of genetic ataxias Nikola Kresojevic (Belgrade) |
| <u>12:10</u> 12:30 | Leber's hereditary optic neuropathy – A new clinico-genetic paradigm? Jasna Jancic (Belgrade) |
| <u>12:30</u> 12:40 | Discussion – Q&A |

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| 12:40 13:40 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 13:40 15:10 | AFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 3 <i>Chair persons: Aki Kawasaki, Milija Mijajlovic</i> |
| <u>13:40</u> 14:00 | Pupils in neuro-ophthalmology Aki Kawasaki (Laussane) |
| <u>14:00</u> 14:20 | Neuro-ophthalmic pitfalls Aki Kawasaki (Laussane) |
| <u>14:20</u> 14:40 | Central vertigo with emphasis on cerebrovascular diseases Milija Mijajlovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>14:40</u> 15:10 | Discussion – Q&A |
| 14:50 15:10 | <i>Break</i> |



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| 15:10 16:20 | AFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 4 <i>Chair persons: Alessandro Serra, Joao Lemos</i> |
| <u>15:10</u> 15:30 | Eye movements in multiple sclerosis Joao Lemos (Lisbon) |
| <u>15:30</u> 15:50 | Internuclear ophthalmoplegia research Alessandro Serra (Cleveland) |
| <u>15:50</u> 16:10 | Significance and interpretation of the OCT in multiple sclerosis Maja Budimkic (Belgrade) |
| <u>16:10</u> 16:20 | Discussion – Q&A |
| 16:20 16:40 | Break |
| 16:40 17:50 | AFFERENT SYSTEM – SESSION 5 <i>Chair persons: Marija Bozic, Aleksandra Radosavljevic Pavlovic</i> |
| <u>16:40</u> 17:00 | Ischemic optic neuropathy Aleksandra Radosavljevic Pavlovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:00</u> 17:20 | Glaucoma as a neurodegenerative disorder Marija Bozic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:20</u> 17:40 | Papilledema: differential diagnosis Nikola Veselinovic (Belgrade) |
| <u>17:40</u> 17:50 | Discussion – Q&A |

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| 17:50 | Closure congress and enabling of CME Questionnaire Scientific |
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General Information

DATE AND VENUE

June 12-13, 2026
Hotel Mona Plaza, Donji Dorcol Hall, Cara Urosa 62-64, Belgrade

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

English

EXHIBITION AREA

An exhibition of pharmaceutical companies will be open in the gallery area (at the same level as Donji Dorcol Congress Hall).
Coffee breaks are served in the exhibition area.

REGISTRATION

Participant registration is organized through representatives of pharmaceutical companies, as well as by directly completing the online application via the following web address: www.drustvoneurologasrbije.org.
The official badge received upon registration is required for attending lectures and all other activities.

REGISTRATION FEES

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| Physicians | 160 eur / 18.000 RSD |
| Physician DNS member | 110 eur / 12.000 RSD* |
| Medical residents | 55 eur / 6.000 RSD |

**with membership fee paid for the current year*

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

- Access to all scientific sessions and exhibition area
- Congress materials kit and attendance badge
- Lunch and coffee breaks daily (according to the Program)
- E-certificate of attendance
- A networking dinner on June 12, 2026

ACCOMMODATION

During the meeting, it is possible to book accommodation at the Mona Plaza Hotel, at competitive rates:

Single room - **130 eur** / Double room - **150 eur** (price per night/per room)

For availability, please kindly contact us via e-mail: dns@congress.rs.

CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE

Certificates of attendance will be issued after the event and sent electronically to the email address provided during registration.

ACCREDITATION

The symposium "Modern Approaches in Neuro-Ophthalmology" is currently in the accreditation process.

PARKING

The registration fee, as well as accommodation reservations, do not include a parking space. The number of parking spaces at the Mona Plaza Hotel is limited and subject to an additional charge. We recommend using public transportation or arriving by taxi.

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