Postgraduate Course:

Percutaneous Valvular Therapies

Wednesday 6 June 2007
14.00 - 16.00 (2pm - 4pm)
Auditorium Michelangelo, Aurelia Convention Centre & Expo
(Subject to Change, Last Updated 24 May)

Chairs:   Ottavio Alfieri, MD; Ospedale San Raffaele, Milan, Italy
William E. Cohn, MD; Texas Heart Institute, Houston, TX, USA

Objectives:  Attendees will be informed about the current state of the art of percutaneous aortic valve replacement, transapical aortic valve replacement, and percutaneous mitral valve repair, both edge to edge and coronary sinus-based annuloplasty, including numbers of procedures performed and results to date.

Attendees will learn about the technical and anatomical hurdles associated with each procedure, and will gain an understanding of the tools and techniques required for successful implementation of each approach.

Attendees will see which patients are currently being referred for each of these new technologies, and will gain an appreciation for where these procedures may be headed over the next 5-10 years.

14.00 - 14.05 Welcome, Introductions & Course Objectives

Session A: Percutaneous Aortic Valve Therapy

14.05 - 14:20 Vascular Approaches to the Aortic Valve
   Thierry A. Folliguet, MD; L'Institut Mutualiste Montsouris, Paris, France

14:20 – 14:35 The Transapical Approach
   Thomas J. Walther, MD; University Leipzig Heart Centre, Leipzig, Germany

14:35 – 14:45 Discussion

Session B: Percutaneous Mitral Valve Repair

14:45 - 15:00 Remodeling the Annulus
   William E. Cohn, MD; Texas Heart Institute, Houston, TX, USA

15:00 - 15:15 Coapting the Leaflets
   Ottavio Alfieri, MD; Ospedale San Raffaele, Milan, Italy

15:15P - 15:25 Discussion
Session C:

15:25 - 15:45 Collaborative Experience in the Field
Flavio Airoldi, MD; Ospedale San Raffaele, Milan, Italy
Francesco Maisano, MD; Ospedale San Raffaele, Milan, Italy

15:45 - 16:00 Discussion

16:00 Adjourn