Editorial

Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo celebrated the 70th anniversary of the continuous work

On Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> November 2016<sup>th</sup> Faculty of Medicine, University of Sarajevo celebrated 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of continuous work with Gala ceremony that was held at the National Theater in Sarajevo.

Distinguished representatives of the academic community participated in the ceremony – Rector of the University of Sarajevo, Prof. Dr. Rifat Škrijelj, members of the Senate and the Governing Board of the University of Sarajevo, students of the Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo Canton Prime Minister Mr. Elmedin Konaković, members of the diplomatic corps - the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia H.E. HANI A. Mominah, Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt H.E. Yasser El Atawi, Representatives of the Embassy of Kuwait, Ambassador of the Austria H.E. Mr. Martin Pamm, Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia H.E. John Del Vecchio, First Counselor of the Embassy of Montenegro, Mr. Predrag Arsović, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in BiH Mr. Paul Horowitz, Head of the Mission of BiH to NATO, Ambassador Almir Džuvo, ECON officer of the US Embassy in BH, Ms. Lillian Wahl-Tuco, Regional Medical Officer at the US Embassy in Sarajevo and Member of Bosnian-Herzegovinan American Academy of Arts and Sciences (BHAAAS) Board of Directors Dr. Eldina Vajzović-Nizamić, Rector of the University of Mostar, Prof. Dr. Ljerka Ostojić, Rector of the University of Zenica Prof. Dr. Dževad Zečić, General Secretary of the AMSE (Association of Medical Schools in Europe) and Dean of Faculty of Medicine University of Ljubljana Prof. Dr. Dušan Šuput, Deans and Representatives of the Medical Faculty, Universities of Rijeka, Zagreb, Osijek, Skopje, Tuzla, Split, Mostar, Podgorica, Banja Luka, Foča, Pomeranian Medical University of Szczecin, Poland, Representative of the Faculty of Kinesiology, University of Zagreb, world-widely known plastic surgeon, Prof. Dr. Milomir Ninković, Federal and Cantonal Institutions Representatives – Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Health Ms Snježana Bodnaruk, Municipality Center Mayor, Prof. Dr. Nedžad Ajnadžić, Parliament of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina representatives, Representatives of the Companies BH Telecom, and BOSNALIJEK, Director of the Cantonal Hospital “Dr. Irfan Ljubijankić” in Bihać, Representatives of Medical Chamber of Sarajevo Canton, Director of HEA Agency for Development of Higher Education and Quality Assurance, as well as many other distinguished representatives of the academic, political, cultural, economic and public life of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The celebration was opened with welcoming speech held by the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo, Prof. Dr. Almira Hadžović-Džuvo. Guests were addressed by Prof. Dr Rifat Škrijelj, Rector of the University of Sarajevo, Mr. Elmedin Konaković, Sarajevo Canton Prime Minister, Dr Eldina Vajzović-Nizamić, Regional Medical Officer at the US Embassy in Sarajevo and Member of BHAAAS Board of Director Prof. Dr. Dušan Šuput, General Secretary of the AMSE and Dean of Faculty of Medicine University of Ljubljana and Ms Zenaida Hasić, Representative of the main sponsor of the event - Bosnalijek.

The program continued with the screening of the film about Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo, and a musical work “Bosnian Pastorale” composed by Milan Prebanda, performed by the Symphony Orchestra of the Music Academy of the University of Sarajevo.

The awards were being presented at the celebration event of 70 years of existence and continuous work of Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo. Special Award, “Lifetime Achievement Award, Faculty of
Medicine, University of Sarajevo”, was posthumously given to Prof. Dr. Mira Winterhalter-Jadrić and Prof. Dr. Osman Durić. Special award, “Great plaque with Charter of Faculty of Medicine, University of Sarajevo” was awarded to Prof. Dr. Bakir Mehdić, Prof. Dr. Vjekoslav Gerc, and deserving Institutions of the Clinical Center of the University of Sarajevo, Federal Ministry of Health, and Government of the Sarajevo Canton.

Award, “Plaque with Charter of Faculty of Medicine, University of Sarajevo” was awarded to Prof. Dr. Nermina Obralić, Prof. Dr. Muzaffer Mujić and Prof. Dr. Milomir Ninković as well as to Foundation “Dr. Nedžad Beganović”.

Prize winners and family members of the deceased laureate thanked with warm words to Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo for the recognition.

The program continued with the screening of the film, which was made entirely by students of Faculty of Medicine University of Sarajevo (direction and acting). The official part of the program ended in tunes of tango, “Libertango” composed by Astor Piazzolla, performed by the Symphony Orchestra of the Music Academy of the University of Sarajevo.

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