The Damage Control Resuscitation (DCR) group would like to cordially invite you to the first International DCR Congress with Co-Sponsorship from THOR and EVTM societies. The purpose of this international group is to meet annually and establish international consensus guidelines on all aspects of Damage Control Resuscitation. Originally coined by the US Navy in reference to techniques for salvaging a ship that had sustained serious damage, the term “damage control” has been adapted to truncating initial surgical procedures on severely injured patients in order to expedite re-establishing a survivable physiological status. After initial temporizing procedures, patients then undergo aggressive correction of their coagulopathy, hypothermia, and acidosis in the intensive care unit before returning to the operating room for the definitive repair of their injuries. This approach has been shown to lead to better-than-expected survival rates for patients with severe trauma. In order to maximize outcomes in this group of patients, DCR encompasses not only volume resuscitation but rather, intra-abdominal interventions and all other interventions from first contact on the scene by paramedics, different modalities of resuscitation on the field and throughout the hospital and breaking through surgical interventions by different modalities. We have a world class faculty already confirmed, and your presence will be invaluable!

The Congress will take place in the city of Campinas, a Brazilian municipality in São Paulo State, part of the country's Southeast Region. According to the 2015 Census, the city's population is 1,280,999 making it the fourteenth most populous Brazilian city and the third most populous municipality in São Paulo state. The city's metropolitan area, Metropolitan Region of Campinas, contains twenty municipalities with a total population of 3,856,363 people. The date for the event is already confirmed for 1st June 2019 with a pre-congress COT-BEST course on May 31st. The chosen venue for the event is The Royal Palm Hall, opened in July 2018. In addition, the Royal Palm complex also houses the equally new Royal Palm Tower hotel. We suggest that your arrival to the country be made through VIRACOPOS international airport, which is only 25 minutes from the Royal Palm Tower and Royal Palm Hall. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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