

The 7th International Congress of the World Federation of Skull Base Societies (WFSBS) was held at the Osaka Convention Center from the 15th to the 17th of June, 2016.

The first WFSBS congress was held in Germany in 1992, under the leadership of the International Skull Base Society and Skull Study Group. Since then, the meeting has been held every four years in different places around the world. It was an honor for us to be the first country in the Asia to organize the meeting.

The central theme of this meeting, "Creation and Collaboration for the Future," included the central purpose of educating young doctors, especially from developing countries.

The meeting was a great success academically, with 760 participants from various fields attending, including authorities relating to skull base diseases from 45 countries.

The meeting was preceded by a pre-congress hands-on workshop, connecting the dissection room and lecture room via a 3D transmission system. In addition, theoretical lectures were provided by famous neurosurgeons and lively discussions were held amongst about 100 participants.

WFSBS was held jointly with the 28th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Skull Base Surgery and the 10th Congress of the International Meningioma Society and Cerebral Venous System, all of which turned out to be successful.

We sincerely appreciate the great contribution and support from all the participants.