

To the Executive Committee of the  
International Society for Ceramics in  
Medicine (ISCM).

Athens, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009

Subject: Supporting the Greek candidature for the organization of the International Scientific Conference on Bioceramics.

Dear Executive Committee of the  
International Society for Ceramics in Medicine,  
Dear Prof. Agathopoulos,

I was pleased to learn about the Department of Materials Science and Engineering's of the University of Ioannina interest to host the 26<sup>th</sup> International Scientific Conference.

I am certain that this distinguished event will have a highly positive influence on the whole scientific community. Greece is ideal for the hosting of scientific meetings, combining modern infrastructure with cultural heritage and warm hospitality.

The Ministry of Tourism is therefore prepared to offer its support to the candidature of the Department of Materials Science and Engineering to host this eminent scientific meeting, bringing together scientists from all over the world.

As a doctor exercising my profession for several years, I know how much that kind of events are missing from Greece and how much doctor's life is lacking of the time which is necessary to assist on that kind of events and on the contrary how crucial these events are for several scientists. Therefore it would be a great pleasure if such an event was held in Greece.

I strongly encourage the local committee to pursue its efforts to organize the 26<sup>th</sup> International Scientific Conference on Bioceramics in Ioannina, Greece and look forward to be given more details about this event. I do hope that the international executive committee will respond positively to the Greek candidature.

Yours sincerely,

  
Kostas Markopoulos