

## **Activity Report of the EurAsiaHeart Foundation in Vietnam 2010**

EurAsiaHeart Foundation again visited hospitals in Ho Chi Minh City, between November, 21nd and 29th, 2010. The following activities were taken:

1. Scientific presentations during the Vietnamese-German Heart Days at the PNT University, HCMC
2. Surgical activity at the Tam Duc Hospital

ad 1. Again this year, I took part in the scientific program of the the Vietnamese-German Heart Days at the PNT University, HCMC with presentations about aortic and tricuspid valve surgery and CABG surgery, and as chairman in various sessions. Attendance was satisfactory this year.

Furthermore, I was officially appointed Associate Professor for Cardiovascular Medicine at the PNT University.

ad 2. This year, I was invited to perform a complex 3rd reoperation of a young colleague dermatologist from Hanoi at the Tam Duc Hospital in HCMC. I got to know the staff and the hospital within 2 days, before perform surgery on this patient myself. although rather difficult, surgery went well and the patient recovered fast from the operation without any complication.

In additioin during my stay, I had the opportunity to operate and assist on various congenital pediatric and other adult cases.

In summary, there is still a great need for cardiovascular treatments and know-how. Additional hospitals are planned to be built to meet the needs, however medical quality remains relatively low.

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