"nulla Medicina sine Anatomia" –
there is no Medicine without Anatomy

Reminder

World Anatomy Day is a joint initiative of the IFAA and national Anatomical Societies

At the 19th IFAA Congress in London, in August 2019 the IFAA General Assembly took a decision to celebrate World Anatomy Day on October 15th of each year. It was on this day, that the father of anatomy, Vesalius died in 1564.

World Anatomy Day is an opportunity to celebrate the discipline of anatomy and make local communities aware of its important role in the training of health sciences professionals. Depending on the countries’ needs and community interest, this could be celebrated as a week-long activity which includes 15th of October.

All IFAA member associations are asked to arrange their own activities, such as public lectures, department open days, national media appearances and press events.

Some of the objectives of the event:

- Enhance the awareness of anatomy among the community
  – Promote the professional diversity of the discipline
  – Transform the perception of anatomy
  – Acknowledge donors.
  – Potentially assist with the current shortage of donors
  – Attract young scientist into the Anatomical Sciences

The ultimate goal is to pronounce World Anatomy Day as a United Nations-recognized Day