Aims and objectives
To provide a detailed overview of the management of all types and stages of cutaneous melanoma, from diagnosis and primary treatment to the management of locoregional and distant metastases. Specifically, at the end of the course the participants will be able to discuss issues regarding:
• Current epidemiology and prevention.
• Elements of modern diagnosis (including dermoscopy, imaging, pathology and molecular biology).
• Identification and surveillance of individuals at high risk.
• Principles and techniques of primary excision for simple and complicated cases.
• Appropriate staging of the disease with the use of surgery and imaging techniques.
• Identification and surveillance of groups at high risk for relapse.
• Adjunct treatment.
• Management of local and in transit relapse.
• Management of distant metastases.
• Developments in the field of targeted therapies and immunotherapies.
• Recent and on-going trials.
• Social and psychological issues of the patient.

Educational Methods
Plenary Lectures
Workshops in small groups
Difficult case presentations
Hands on course
Discussions and debates
Multidisciplinary approach

Partnerships
The ESSO 1st Advanced Course on Surgical and Medical Management of Melanoma is organised in partnership with SSO (Society of Surgical Oncology), EADO (European Association of Dermato Oncology), HeSMO (Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology) and HSSO (Hellenic Society of Surgical Oncology).

Application Procedure
• Complete application form available at www.essoweb.org (education/courses and masterclasses).
• Motivation letter
• Short CV (max. 2 pages)
• Application must be sent by e-mail to Vanna Antonopoulou (vantonopoulo@otenet.gr).

Application deadline
The complete application including all supporting documents must be received by 17th August 2013.

Accreditation
Accreditation has been requested from the Accreditation Council of Europe (ACOE).

Course Venue
Nomicos Conference Center Thera
www.thera-conferences.gr

Course Accommodation
Hotel El Greco
www.elgreco.com

For hotel reservation, please contact the Course Secretariat.

Registration
The participation fee is 700 EUR for ESSO, SSO, EADO, HSSO and HeSMO members (minimum 1 year membership) and 850 EUR for non members. The fee includes the registration, 3 nights accommodation, lunches and 2 dinners.

Accreditation
The course is accredited for 30 European credits (ECTS).
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Saturday 12 October

08:00-10:00 Workshop 1 - group D Workshop 3 - group B Workshop 4 - group A
10:00-10:30 Minimally invasive lymphadenectomy. Does it work? C. Burch
10:30-11:00 Adjuvant therapy with interferons. Which one, what dose and for how long? N. Gogas
11:30-11:30 Coffee break
11:30-12:30 Workshop 5 - group A Workshop 7 - group C Workshop 6 - group B Workshop 8 - group D
12:30-14:00 Lunch
14:00-15:00 Workshop 5 - group B Workshop 7 - group D Workshop 6 - group A Workshop 8 - group C
15:00-15:30 Coffee break
15:30-16:00 Isolated limb perfusion for recurrent melanoma A. Eggermont
16:00-16:30 The management of in transit metastases J. Thompson
20:30 Social dinner

Sunday 13 October

08:00-10:00 Workshop 5 - group C Workshop 7 - group A Workshop 6 - group D Workshop 8 - group B
10:00-10:30 Oncolytic immunotherapy drug development K. Harrington
10:30-11:00 Targeted Therapies in metastatic melanoma D. Bafaloukos
11:30-11:30 Coffee break
11:30-12:30 Workshop 5 - group D Workshop 7 - group B Workshop 6 - group C Workshop 8 - group A
12:30-13:00 Difficult cases - Interactive presentation - Televoting J. Thompson, K. Lasithiotakis
13:00-14:00 Post-course evaluation - MCQ test S. Schneebaum, K. Lasithiotakis
14:00-14:30 Awards - Close O. Zoras
14:30 Lunch

Workshop Topic Chair Room
1 Epidemiology – Diagnosis of melanoma C. Garbe - A. Stratigos I
2 Primary surgery, sentinel node biopsy and lymph node dissection in melanoma. A. Testori II
3 Pathological and clinical staging of melanoma M. Santinami III
4 Adjuvant treatment J. Kirkwood IV
5 Management of local, satellite and in transit disease O. Zoras I
6 Systemic treatment of stage IV disease J. Boukova IV
7 Technical difficulties in melanoma surgery (acral, subungual, face) G. Kokkats II
8 SNB – “hands on” S. Schneebaum - K Frangia IV

All lectures will take place in the central auditorium.