Dear Colleagues,

This will be the 10th Sino-Australia/New Zealand (RACS) conference since 2000. The conference has been held biennially, alternating between China and Australasia. The aim is to provide a platform for academic exchange and friendship between surgeons of the three countries. This conference will explore the differences and similarities between Chinese and Western surgical cultures in the treatment of GI malignancy. Over the course of the day, experts from Australasia and China will present on the latest in treatment of upper GI cancers, colorectal cancers and liver metastases, followed by a panel discussion of cases.

This year the conference will be held in picturesque Adelaide, at the Royal Adelaide Hospital, the state of the art hospital opened in 2017. At the conclusion of the day, delegates are welcome to join a tour of the facility followed by dinner sampling fine South Australian produce.

The conference precedes the RACS State Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) to be held in Port Lincoln on Sept 6th and 7th, “Robots in Surgery: Tsunami or the next wave?”. For those wishing to go on to the ASM, arrangements will be made for transport from RAH to the airport in time to catch a flight to Port Lincoln to make the welcome function on the Thursday evening.

For those staying in Adelaide, especially the international visitors, a trip to Cleland wildlife park will be organised for Friday Sept 6th.

Adelaide is a beautiful city especially during spring with an abundance of world-renowned wineries close at hand.