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Dr. Pereira is currently President of the Portuguese Neurosurgical Society (SPNC), National Representative (Portugal) of the International Society for Minimal Intervention in Spinal Surgery (ISMIS), Member at Large of the Board of Directors of the World Spinal Column Society (WSCS), member of the Programme Committee of EuroSpine and Chairman of the Young Neurosurgeons Award Committee of the World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies (WFNS). He has served as Vice-President of the Portuguese Spine Society (SPPCV) from 2007-2012 and 2015-2016, Vice-President of Portuguese Neurosurgical Society (SPNC) from 2013-2014, Vice-President of the Executive Committee of the World Federation of Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery (WFMISS) from 2012-2015 and member of the Training Committee of the Portuguese Society of Neurosurgery from 2011-2016.

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