# Boston Scientific Offers World Class Endoscopy Training at its Paris Institute for Advancing Science

## Boston Scientific Reinforces Its Commitment to Global Education and Innovation

PARIS, May 15, 2014 / PRNewswire / -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE: BSX) celebrated the opening of a new facility dedicated to endoscopy training within its Institute for Advancing Science in Paris. The ceremony included major representatives of the endoscopy medical community in Europe. Endoscopy professional training and education is now part of the multi-disciplinary programs available for European physicians within the Paris Institute.

The Institute is fully equipped with state-of-the-art technology to support integrated hands-on and didactic medical training in endoscopy. It has a broad range of endoscopes, bronchoscopes, advanced visualization systems and numerous biological and non-biological models to recreate and simulate adapted clinical conditions for training and education. Physicians will have access to a complete endoscopy lab fully equipped with fluoroscopy capabilities and simultaneous translation facilities. Boston Scientific offers a broad curriculum of training courses from basic to advanced levels in a range of specialties and techniques including Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP), Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS), cholangioscopy and Bronchial Thermoplasty (BT). The Institute in Paris reinforces the commitment that Boston Scientific has to innovation and education by offering world class training facilities designed to meet the educational needs of endoscopists, endosonographers and pulmonologists.

Over the last year, Boston Scientific trained more than 25,000 health care providers worldwide through local and regional programs, seminars, preceptorships and proctorships. In Europe alone, more than 2,500 nurses and technicians participated in more than 300 training sessions in more than 12 countries as a part of the Boston Scientific Professional Development Program. The company also unveiled several new centers of excellence. Last April, Boston Scientific hosted physicians and fellows at its third Center of Excellence Workshop at the National University Hospital in Singapore. Earlier this year, the company launched the Endoscopy Institute in Shanghai, China, which provides basic through advanced ERCP courses and fellowship training as well as a "train the trainer" program. In March 2014, seven experts in ERCP participated in the Institute's first faculty meeting and the first course took place in May. Most recently, Boston Scientific opened a training center at its Endoscopy headquarters in Marlborough, Massachusetts, including state-of-the-art equipment to facilitate education and collaboration with health care providers. In 2012, Boston Scientific became the first industry partner to commit to the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy's (ASGE) capital campaign at the Cornerstone Level for its global Institute for Training and Technology.

"The development of endoscopy training demonstrates Boston Scientific's continued commitment to providing industry-leading training and education in partnership with physicians and societies to further the practice of endoscopy," said Paraic Curtis, vice president of Endoscopy Europe Boston Scientific. "Hands-on training and peer-to-peer education are essential to maintaining good clinical practice and improving the quality of patient care. We hope that endoscopy training at the Institute for Advancing Science will become an integral part of the training continuum of endoscopists and pulmonologists across Europe."

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