World Phonocon 2017 (joint meeting of International Association of Phonosurgeons and Association of Phonosurgeons) of India was held in Hotel Leela Ambience Gurgaon , India from 17th to 19th February 2017 . Gurgaon which is a sprawling suburb to capital city of New Delhi and has become a hub for not only Information technology but also for medical tourism. This was a landmark and one of the biggest event in the fields of voice and laryngology and broke the global barriers bringing everybody in the field together . It was attended by more than 500 delegates from 37 countries all over the world and included 55 international faculty .

The highlights of the conference were 17 state of art instructional courses and live surgery on Day 2 which was relayed from Medanta The Medicity Gurgaon. During the time of surgery a parallel speech language pathology programme was held .Live surgery included thyroplasty , larynx laser surgeries , Fat Augumentation , Microlaryngeal surgery and closed surgeries for laryngotracheal stenosis .

The inaugration of the conference was done by Dr NareshTrehan leading cardiothoracic surgeon of India and CMD of Medanta the Medicity Gurgaon. Dr KK Handa from India was the organizing chairman while Prof MichealBenninger from Cleveland Clinic who is currently the President of the International Association of Phonosurgery was the International coordinator .

The other distinguished international faculty included Shigeru Hirano (Japan), Marcus Hess (Germany), Guillermo Campos (Colombia) Mara Behlau (Brazil), Taner Yilmaz (Turkey), Karen Kost (Canada), Fred Dikkers (Netherlands), Dailey Seth (USA), Ilter Denizoglu (Turkey), Dinesh Chettri USA, Thomas Murry USA, Josef Schlomicher Their (Austria), AnastosiosHantzakos (Abu Dhabi), Carmen Gorriz Gill (Spain), Daniel Novakovic (Australia), David Vokes (New Zealand), Elisabeth Sjogren (Netherlands), Eugenia Chavez (Mexico), Iris Rodriguez (Argentina), Jean Abitbol (France), Lance Maron (South Africa), Peter biro (Switzerland), Mette Pederson (Denmark), Milstein Claudio (USA), Chen Chi Weng Taiwan, YakubuKaragama (UK) and Dinesh Chettri (USA).

The instructional courses included topics like Early laryngeal cancer, office based laryngeal surgeries, Vocal rehabilitation, Swallowing, Indirect endoscopic phonosurgery, Phonomicrosurgery, Chronic cough, Laryngeal respiratory disorders, Laryngeal scar, Voice feminization, transnasaloesophagoscopy, laryngeal papilloma, High frequency jet ventilation, Lax voice therapy and voice feminization.

The conference also saw launch of 2 books on laryngology. The first one being the official book from Association of phonosurgeons of India edited by Dr Nupur K Nerurkar and Dr Amitabh Roy Chaudhary and the other one on Voice and laryngology authored by Dr KK Handa.

The Worldphonocon received outstanding reviews and feedback from all faculty and delegates in terms of academic content and arrangements quality .



