**20th Annual Kuwait Postgraduate Assembly in Surgery**

**9th Kuwait Surgical Society Meeting**

**February 15-17, 2025**

**Opening Ceremony**

**Saturday, February 15, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Radisson Blu Hotel – AlHashemi Ballroom**

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Dora Hussein Safar

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| 6:00 – 6:05 | National Anthem and recitation from the Holy Quran |
| 6:05 - 6:15  | His Excellency Dr. Ahmad AlAwadhi, Minister of Health |
| 6:15 – 6:20 | Her Excellency Karen Hideko Sasahara, Ambassador of the USA to the State of Kuwait  |
| 6:20 – 6:25 | His Excellency, Lawrence R. Silverman, Former Ambassador of the USA to the State of Kuwait (recorded speech) |
| 6:25 – 6:30 | Professor Waddah Al-Refaie, Professor and Chair of Surgery, Creighton University School of Medicine, USA |
| 6:30 – 6:35 | Ms. Manal F. Al Mattar, Executive Vice President, Head of NBK Group Corporate Communications |
| 6:35 – 6:45 | Prof. Mousa Khoursheed, Conference Chairman and Chairman of Kuwait Surgical Society |
| 6:45 – 6:50 | Prof. Abdulla E. Behbehani, Former Dean, Faculty of Medicine, and former Vice President for Health Sciences, Kuwait University.  |
| 6:50 – 7:00 | Distribution of Certificates |
| 7:00 | Medical Exhibition |