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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As you are all aware, the catastrophic earthquake in Haiti has resulted in an unprecedented amount of death and destruction. Steven Fisher, MD, the President of Healing Hands for Haiti International Board (HHHI), estimates that there are an estimated 3,000 amputees and “tens of thousands” with fractured limbs that require rehabilitation services. It is unclear how many individuals there are with spinal cord injuries and/or traumatic brain injuries.

As an international organization with physiatrists located throughout the world, ISPRM can serve as a communication link to immediate and long term Haitian physical rehabilitation needs for post earthquake survivors. ISPRM has a network of physiatrists who have worked in these situations previously, such as Professor Jianan Li of China with the Sichuan earthquake, the Japanese physiatrists in the aftermath of the Great Hanshin earthquake and the Israeli and Turkish physiatrists who went to work after the Izmit earthquake.

The ISPRM in conjunction with its various subsidiary Committees, take a very serious interest in humanitarian service. One of the Committees—The Exchange Committee, through ‘Operation Functional Recovery’, has previously played an important role in rehabilitation planning, education, and service delivery following contemporary natural disasters including Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans ([http://www.isprm.org/\\_Uploads/dbsAttachedFiles/October.pdf](http://www.isprm.org/_Uploads/dbsAttachedFiles/October.pdf)) and more recently the Sichuan Earthquakes (<http://www.nycpm.edu/newEvents/china.pdf>).

The ISPRM and its membership stand ready to once again rise to the challenge of humanitarian service. Consistent with the ISPRM’s mission of helping to “improve the quality of life with people with impairments and disabilities”, our organization and its constituent membership and committees will take an active interest in rendering assistance and leadership during times of natural disaster. The ISPRM Exchange Committee will once again dedicate energy to planning, organizing, and orchestrating exchange opportunities for volunteers wishing to provide assistance.

We have been working with “The Healing Hands for Haiti” ([www.healinghandsforhaiti.org](http://www.healinghandsforhaiti.org)) a well organized NGO, to take the lead in organizing physiatrists and rehabilitation medicine assistance to the Haitian people. Another useful source of information is the International Rehabilitation Forum ([www.rehabforum.org](http://www.rehabforum.org)) founded by Andrew Haig, MD.

It is the ISPRM’s role to facilitate the distribution of information on what the HHHI identifies as the rehabilitation needs in Haiti. We need to work with DAR/WHO to aid in the disaster relief efforts.

Joel A. DeLisa, MD, MS  
President, ISPRM



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### SUMMER SCHOOL ON DISABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT IN JAKARTA, INDONESIA

The Athena Institute, Faculty of Earth and Life Sciences, VU University (Amsterdam), Enablement (Alphen aan den Rijn) and the Disability Studies Centre, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, University of Indonesia, are pleased to announce the introduction of the second module in the Disability & Development programme, which will be offered in the form of a **Summer School** at the University of Indonesia in Jakarta.

Dates: 12 July to 6 August 2010. This Summer School is part of an academic Master degree programme and is open to external participants as well.

The **Summer School** will cover the following topics:

Project planning and management, monitoring and evaluation of community-based rehabilitation (CBR) programmes, management information systems, CBR as a preferred strategy for rehabilitation, organisational and institutional development, Disabled People's Organisations, educational and economic empowerment of disabled people, the role of specific rehabilitation services, and sports and disability.

#### Module I

We are pleased to announce also the dates for the next Module I on Disability and Development, which will be held from November 22<sup>nd</sup> to December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the VU University, Amsterdam.

Module I will cover the following topics:

Disability models and stereotypes, culture and disability, ICF conceptual framework, experience of having a disability, frequencies and distribution of disability, determinants of disability, including stigma and discrimination, poverty, gender and HIV/AIDS, rights of persons with disabilities, the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, measurement of disability, disability-relevant research methods, survey methods, examples of disability research and an introduction to community-based rehabilitation.

Students will learn in both courses in a highly participatory environment built around a problem-based learning approach. Lecturers have extensive international experience in disability and related fields.

Interested candidates should apply well in advance and contact Huib Cornielje as soon as possible.

**TARGET GROUP:** rehabilitation professionals and students and professionals with an interest in disability and development.

**REQUIREMENTS:** a high level of fluency in both spoken and written English; Bachelor degree or equivalent (in terms of experience and thinking capacity)

**COURSE FEES:** Euro 1,800 (excluding board & lodging) for 4 weeks

#### FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM:

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### COMBINED NATIONAL SOCIETY/INDIVIDUAL ISPRM MEMBERSHIP

Werner Van Cleemputte, ISPRM Executive Director

The end of the year also means the period for membership renewal.

We therefore would like to remind the advantages of individual ISPRM Membership.

This also means that all individual members of national societies made their choice for combined membership can profit from the advantages as pointed out below.

In short these advantages are

- Individual membership of the ISPRM for each member of your national society
- Monthly electronic version of the newsletter called News & Views with announcements on the society, its members, views and info on what is happening in the field of PM&R as well as a congress section. This News & Views is sent monthly by email to each of your members.
- Free electronic version of the Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine with access to all publications of the JRM as of 2001
- Certification of membership through an official ISPRM membership card
- Certification of membership through a wall paper certificate
- Reduced registration fees at a large number of international congresses worldwide - all congresses that are endorsed by the ISPRM
- Individual page for each ISPRM individual member on the ISPRM website
- Full access to the “members only” section of the ISPRM website with discussion forums, reporting etc.
- National society membership like paid before is waived for the society.
- Having the Central Office of the ISPRM as direct spokesperson towards the society and intermediate with all countries members of the ISPRM

### NATIONAL SOCIETIES FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES ALREADY MADE AN APPLICATION FOR COMBINED ISPRM MEMBERSHIP

Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China (two societies), Columbia, France, Greece, Hong Kong, Italy, Kuwait, Mexico, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand, Venezuela and The Netherlands.

**WE KINDLY ENCOURAGE ALL OTHER NATIONAL SOCIETIES TO EXAMINE THIS COMBINED MODEL IN DETAIL AND CONSIDER THE BENEFITS FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS AS WELL.**

**WE KINDLY ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS  
TO RENEW ISPRM MEMBERSHIP BY  
PAYING THEIR DUES FOR 2010 THROUGH  
OUR WEBSITE [WWW.ISPRM.ORG](http://WWW.ISPRM.ORG)**

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### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

**Chang-il Park, Chair of the Nominating Committee**

This is a brief note inviting all members of our Society to indicate names for the positions to be elected in the next Board Meeting. Please provide your ideas to me at [cipark@yuhs.ac](mailto:cipark@yuhs.ac) not later than **March 31<sup>st</sup>**.

### UPCOMING ISPRM BOARD MEETINGS – MARK YOUR AGENDA

On an invitation by Prof. Nicolas Christodoulou, the next ISPRM Board Meetings will be organised combined with the **8<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Congress on PM&R**, Wednesday, 29 September - Saturday 02 October 2010 in Limassol, Cyprus,

Please mark your agenda as follows:

- ISPRM President's Cabinet Meeting: Wednesday, 29 September, 09.00-11.00 hrs - (on invitation only)
- ISPRM Executive Committee Meeting: Wednesday, 29 September, 11.00-13.00 hrs - (on invitation only)
- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 1: Wednesday, 29 September, 13.30 – 17.30 hrs
- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 2: Saturday 02 October, 13.30 – 17.30 hrs

All meetings will take place at the congress venue, being the **Grand Resort Hotel**

### THE ISPRM 2012 INTERIM BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING – CALL FOR TENDER

**Werner Van Cleemputte**

The ISPRM holds its Board of Governors Meetings every second year (odd years) during its ISPRM World Congresses.

During interim years, the ISPRM organizes its Board of Governors Meetings in conjunction with an exciting congress.

In the past, the Interim Board Meetings were mainly supported by the Congresses in Europe as shown below:

2000	Athens, Greece	Mediterranean Congress
2002	Catania, Italy	Mediterranean Congress
2004	Antalya, Turkey	Mediterranean Congress
2006	Algarve, Portugal	Mediterranean Congress
2008	Brugge, Belgium	European Congress
2010	Limassol, Cyprus	Mediterranean Congress

We kindly announce that the 2012 ISPRM Board of Governors is now open to bidding and we would like to encourage national societies to submit their bids to host the ISPRM Board of Governors meeting in conjunction with their congresses. The Central Office of ISPRM would like to call for submission of proposals to host the Interim Board Meeting 2012. The interested party should

1. Follow the rules and regulation listed in the document for hosting Interim ISPRM Board meeting - visit <http://www.isprm.org/?CategoryID=231&ArticleID=130>
2. An application to hold the 2012 ISPRM Interim Board Meeting can be made by any active National Society, member of the ISPRM and **in good standing for at least two successive years** or any individual active ISPRM member **in good standing** fully backed by his or her national society.
3. Submit your proposal on or before **August 29, 2010** to the Central Office at [Werner@medicongress.com](mailto:Werner@medicongress.com). Late submission will not be entertained. PowerPoint presentations and/or video clips (not more than 5 minutes) could also be submitted to be uploaded to the website for the Board members to review.

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### OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE ISPRM

We herewith inform our ISPRM members that as of January 1, 2010, the DRJ will no longer be one of the official journals of the ISPRM. This will affect the discounted rate for ISPRM members as well as the on-line access.

ISPRM is continuing its collaboration with the Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine, ISPRM members will also have free access to the electronic version of the JRM. For further details, please contact the Central Office.

### NEWS & VIEWS EDITORIAL BOARD 2008-2010

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### JOURNAL OF REHABILITATION MEDICINE

*(Official journal of the ISPRM)*

**Issue 2, February 2010 (Volume 42)**

*Articles are accessible electronically for all ISPRM individual members (in good standing)*

**Comprehensive rehabilitation programmes in the chronic phase after severe brain injury: A systematic review**

*Gert J Geurtsen, Caroline M van Heugten, Juan D Martina, Alexander C.H. Geurts*

**Benefits of treatment theory in the design of explanatory trials: Cognitive treatment of illness perception in chronic low back pain rehabilitation as an illustrative example**

*Petra C. Siemonsma, Carin D. Schröder, Leo D. Roorda, Ant T. Lettinga*

**Is transcutaneous peroneal stimulation beneficial to patients with chronic stroke using an ankle-foot orthosis? A within-subjects study of patients' satisfaction, walking speed and physical activity level**

*Roos van Swigchem, Judith Vloothuis, Jasper den Boer, Vivian Weerdesteyn, Alexander C.H. Geurts*

**Effects of group-based versus individual-based exercise training on motor performance in children with developmental coordination disorder: A randomized controlled study**

*Winnie W. Y. Hung, Marco Y.C. Pang*

**Rehabilitation using manual mobilization for thoracic kyphosis in elderly postmenopausal patients with osteoporosis**

*Ivan Bautmans, Judith Van Arken, Mike Van Mackelenberg, Tony Mets*

**Ultrasonographic guided botulinum toxin type A treatment for plantar fasciitis; an outcome-based investigation for treating pain and gait changes**

*Yung-Cheng Huang, Shun-Hwa Wei, Hsing-Kuo Wang, Fu-Kong Lieu*

**A qualitative examination of wheelchair configuration for optimal mobility performance in wheelchair sports: A pilot study**

*Barry Mason, Lorna Porcellato, Lucas H. van der Woude, Victoria L. Goosey-Tolfrey*

**Effects of functional electrical stimulation cycling exercise on bone mineral density loss in the early stages of spinal cord injury**

*Chien-Hung Lai, Walter Hong-Shong Chang, Wing P. Chan, Chih-Wei Peng, Li-Kuo Shen, Jia-Jin Jason Chen, Shih-Ching Chen*

**Life satisfaction in younger individuals after stroke: Different predisposing factors among men and women**

*Jenny Rödning, Eva-Lotta Glader, Jan Malm, Britta Lindström*

**Determinants of return to work following non life threatening acute orthopaedic trauma: a prospective cohort study**

*Fiona J Clay, Stuart. V. Newstead, Wendy. L. Watson, Roderick. J. McClure*

**Development and initial psychometric evaluation of an item bank created to measure upper extremity function in persons with stroke**

*Johanne Higgins, Lois E. Finch, Jacek Kopec, Nancy E. Mayo*



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**Revised version of the ability for basic movement scale (ABMS II) as an early predictor of functioning related to activities of daily living in patients after stroke**

*Taira Tanaka, Keiji Hashimoto, Kentaro Kobayashi, Hidekazu Sugawara, Masahiro Abo*

**A definition of disability emphasizing the interaction between individual and social aspects that existed among Scandinavian precursors of rehabilitation medicine as early as 1912**

*Mikael Thyberg, Marie C. Nelson, Ingrid Thyberg*

**Graded exercise for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Too soon to dismiss reports of adverse reactions**

*Tom Kindlon, Ellen M Goudsmit*

**Comments of the community-based rehabilitation Africa network regarding the special report from the International Rehabilitation Forum**

*Sally Hartley, Siphokazi Gcaza, Barbara Batesaki, Peter Ngomwa, Zamo Soumana, Phitalis Were, Daniel Tsengu, Peter Obeng Asamoah, Andre Zinga Nkula, Joan Okune, Grace Musoke*



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### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND CONGRESSES

#### ISPRM World Congresses

- **6<sup>th</sup> Congress**    **June 12 - 15, 2011**    **San Juan, Puerto Rico**
- **7<sup>th</sup> Congress**    **June 16 - 20, 2013**    **Beijing, China**
- **8<sup>th</sup> Congress**    **June 2015**    **Berlin, Germany**

#### Congresses on:

- **Stroke**    [www.internationalstroke.org/s\\_content.php?id=fb2002-03-04-1020](http://www.internationalstroke.org/s_content.php?id=fb2002-03-04-1020)
- **Neurology**    [www.eurostroke.org/esc\\_main%20links.htm](http://www.eurostroke.org/esc_main%20links.htm)
- **Neurorehab**    [www.wfnr.co.uk/docs/events.htm](http://www.wfnr.co.uk/docs/events.htm)
- **Spine**    [www.spine.org/calendar/nass\\_future\\_events.cfm](http://www.spine.org/calendar/nass_future_events.cfm)
- **Brain Injury**    [www.internationalbrain.org/content.php?pages=congress](http://www.internationalbrain.org/content.php?pages=congress)
- **Osteoporosis**    [www.iofbonehealth.org/meetings-events.html](http://www.iofbonehealth.org/meetings-events.html)



= congresses offering reduced registration fees for ISPRM members

#### 2010

- **3<sup>rd</sup> International Football Medicine Conference**, 19-21 February, Sun City, South Afrika. Visit [www.fifa.org](http://www.fifa.org)
- **3rd Int. Congress on Gait & Mental Health (GAIT 2010)**, 26-28 February, Washington DC, USA, Visit [www.kenes.com/gait](http://www.kenes.com/gait)
- **Eight World Congress on Brain Injury (IBIA)**, 10-14 March, Washington DC, USA. Visit [www.internationalbrain.org](http://www.internationalbrain.org)
- **Clinical Osteoporosis 2010: An ISCD-NOF Symposium**, 10-13 March, San Antonio, Texas, USA Visit [www.clinicalosteoporosis.org](http://www.clinicalosteoporosis.org) - Contact [info@clinicalosteoporosis.org](mailto:info@clinicalosteoporosis.org)
- **Portuguese PRM Society Annual Congress** (Sociedade Portuguesa de Medicina Física e de Reabilitação), 11-13 March. Hotel Porto Palácio - Porto, Portugal. Visit: [www.spmfr2010.org](http://www.spmfr2010.org) – Contact: [spmfr@spmfr.org](mailto:spmfr@spmfr.org)
- **II Simposio Int. em Neuromodulacao**, 19-20 March, Sao Paolo, Brazil. Contact: Marta Imamura [martaimf@gmail.com](mailto:martaimf@gmail.com)
- **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine**, 20-25 March, Melbourne, Victoria. Contact: [afrm@racp.edu.au](mailto:afrm@racp.edu.au)
- **6<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Neurorehabilitation**, 21-24 March, Vienna, Austria. Contact: [traceymole@wfnr.co.uk](mailto:traceymole@wfnr.co.uk)
- **XIX International Congress on Sport rehabilitation and Traumatology** - 10-11 April, Bologna, Italy. Visit [www.isokinetic.com](http://www.isokinetic.com)

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- **1st Baltic & North Sea Conference on PRM,; “Reclaim Function!”**, 14-16 April, Stockholm, Sweden. Contact: [www.bncprm2010.org](http://www.bncprm2010.org)
- **44th Comprehensive Review Course in PM&R** of Baylor College Of Medicine. 17-24 April, Houston, TX. Contact [asamuels@bcm.tmc.edu](mailto:asamuels@bcm.tmc.edu)

**2nd Asia-Oceanian Conference on Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, April 29 - 2 May Taipei, Taiwan, Visit: [www.aocprm2010.com](http://www.aocprm2010.com). Contact: [aocprm2010@knaiml.com.tw](mailto:aocprm2010@knaiml.com.tw)**



- **SAS10 – Int. Society for the Advancement of Spine Surgery:** April 27 - 30, 2010. New Orleans, LA USA. Visit [www.spinearthroplasty.org](http://www.spinearthroplasty.org)
- **World Congress on Osteoporosis**, 5-8 May, Venice, Italy, Visit [www.iofbonehealth.org](http://www.iofbonehealth.org)
- **XXXI Sports Medicine World Congress**, 19-22 May, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Visit [www.fimspr.org](http://www.fimspr.org)

**17<sup>th</sup> European Congress on Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, 23 - 27 May 2010, Venice, Italy. Contact: [alessandro.giustini@ntc.it](mailto:alessandro.giustini@ntc.it)**



- **7<sup>th</sup> World Conference, International Society for Gerontotechnology**, 27-30 May, Vancouver, Canada. Visit: [www.sfu.ca/grc/isg2010](http://www.sfu.ca/grc/isg2010)
- **20<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Neurological Society**, 19-23 June, Berlin, Germany. Visit [www.ensinfo.org](http://www.ensinfo.org)
- **37<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the International Society of Medical Hydrology**, 23-26 June, Paris, France. Visit [www.ismh2010.org](http://www.ismh2010.org)
- **Int. Conference on Alzheimer’s Disease**, 10-15 July, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Visit [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org)

**XXIV Congress of the Latin American Medical Association of Rehabilitation – AMLAR. Includes the XII meeting of the Latin-American Society of Paraplegia and the XXV Congress of the Colombian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. August 25-28, Hilton Convention Center, Cartagena, Colombia. Contact: Dr. Jorge E Gutierrez [jegutier@gmail.com](mailto:jegutier@gmail.com), Visit: <http://amlar2010.org>**



- **13<sup>th</sup> World Congress on Pain**, 29 August-3 September, Montreal, Canada. Visit [www.iasp-pain.org](http://www.iasp-pain.org)

**8th Mediterranean Congress of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, September 29 to October 2, Limassol, Cyprus. Hosting the ISPRM Interim Board of Governors meeting. Contact Congress president: Nicolas Christodoulou. [chrisfam@logosnet.cy.net](mailto:chrisfam@logosnet.cy.net) - visit <http://www.medcongress.prm10.org>**



- **2<sup>nd</sup> World Parkinson Congress**, 28 September – October 1, Glasgow, Scotland. Visit [www.worldpdcongress.org](http://www.worldpdcongress.org)
- **The Best of Both World-Rehabilitation 2010-Mind & Body:** 6-8 October, Hilton on the Park, Melbourne, Australia. Visit: [www.dconferences.com.au/rehab2010](http://www.dconferences.com.au/rehab2010)



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- **7<sup>th</sup> World Stroke Congress**, 13-16 October, Seoul, Korea. Visit [www.kenes.com/stroke2010](http://www.kenes.com/stroke2010)
- **National Congress of the French PM&R Society - SOFMER**, 13-16 October, Marseille. Visit: [www.sofmer.com](http://www.sofmer.com)
- **71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the AAPM&R**, 3-7 November, Seattle, Washington, USA. Visit [www.apmr.org](http://www.apmr.org)
- **7<sup>th</sup> Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back & Pelvic Pain**, 9-12 November, Hyatt Regency Century Hotel, Los Angeles, USA, Visit [www.worldcongresslbp.com](http://www.worldcongresslbp.com)

### 2011

- **72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Assembly of the AAPM&R**, 17-20 November, Orlando, Florida, USA. Website: [www.aapmr.org](http://www.aapmr.org)

**6<sup>th</sup> ISPRM World Congress, June, 12 - 15, 2011, San Juan, Puerto Rico**

### 2012

- **World Congress for Neurorehabilitation**, 15 -19 May, Melbourne, Australia. Info follows.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Conference of the Asian Oceania Society of PRM (AOSPRM)**, 17-19 May, Bali, Indonesia. Contact: [aosprmbali@pharma-pro.com](mailto:aosprmbali@pharma-pro.com)
- **Spineweek**, Third Combined Congress of the Different Spine Societies, May 27- June 1, Rai Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Info [congresses@medicongress.com](mailto:congresses@medicongress.com)

### 2013

**7<sup>th</sup> ISPRM World Congress, June 16 – 20, 2013, Beijing, China**

### 2015

**8<sup>th</sup> ISPRM World Congress, June 2015, Berlin, Germany**