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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 **8th Mediterranean Congress on PM&R**, Wednesday, 29 September - Saturday 02 October 2010 in Limassol, Cyprus. See www.medcongress.prm10.org

Please book flights according to the agenda below:

Tuesday, 28 September

- ISPRM Committee Meetings; whole day. If you are a member of one of the ISPRM Committees, please check with the chair of your committee on the meeting schedule and book your flights according to the schedule of these meetings.
 - ISPRM Audit and Finance Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs
 - ISPRM Congress Committee: 14.00 – 16.00 hrs
 - ISPRM Education Committee: 14.00 – 16.00 hrs
 - ISPRM Publications Committee: 15.30 – 17.00 hrs
 - ISPRM Sponsorship Committee: 17.30 hrs
- ISPRM President's Cabinet 19.00 hrs - (on invitation only)

Wednesday, 29 September

- ISPRM Executive Committee Meeting: 09.00-12.00 hrs - (on invitation only)
- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 1, 14.00 – 17.30 hrs
- Official Opening of the Congress

Thursday 30 September

- ISPRM Committee Meetings
 - ISPRM Audit and Finance Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs

Friday 01 October

- ISPRM Committee Meetings
 - ISPRM Membership Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs

Saturday 02 October

- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 2: 13.30 – 17.30 hrs

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

REPORTS

We kindly invite the ISPRM Board members with specific tasks as well as the chairmen of the different committees and liaisons to provide a report on their activities by **August 15 at the latest**.



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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS DEADLINE EXTENDED TILL MAY 31

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. For the different positions within the ISPRM Board see our website www.isprm.org

Please provide your ideas to me at cipark@yuhs.ac not later than **May 31**

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. 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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ESPRM SUPPORTS THE RESEARCH: VENICE FRONT OFFICE DESK

Tommaso Sciarra, MD, PRM Specialist, Tor Vergata University, Rome- Italy

The European Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ESPRM), led by Prof. Alessandro Giustini, started a new initiative: "ESPRM SUPPORTS THE RESEARCH".

Aim of this service is to improve the Research in PRM, by means of the relationship between European researchers, facilitating useful contacts and promoting discussion about contents for new research projects.

Very often it is difficult to collect similar experiences and aims at International level to have a strong and competent panel to define and realize a Project (and also to try to find sufficient financial supports).

To this purpose, "VENICE FRONT OFFICE DESK" will be set up all over the next 17th ESPRM Congress in Venice from 23 to 27 of May, covering each topic in Rehabilitation.

A Front Office Team composed of specialists (collectors) will be at your disposal, to collect all proposals and create a database for each topic. Research ideas/Projects may be submitted by single Colleagues, Scientific Institutions, Universities and Companies operating in the Rehabilitation area.

Finally, at the end of the Congress the Front Office Team Collector is expected to summarize the information obtained in order to diffuse it and facilitate the trials in progress, and to facilitate the starting of the new ones.

The ESPRM Web-Site (www.esprm.net) will be the "platform" for exchanging information and keeping in touch and carrying out all the various activities.

The most interesting projects carried out by the Society Members could be awarded by ESPRM quality mark and they will be published on the Web-Site.

All Scientists are kindly invited to participate and prepare their project proposals before the Congress and submit to this e-mail: sciarratommaso@hotmail.com

THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE FOR REHABILITATION (GPOPR)

Jim Gosney MD MPH, AAPM&R Haiti Task Force, IRF Disaster Rehab Workgroup, ISPRM; gosneyjr@hotmail.com

The Global Community of Practice for Rehabilitation is being led by the Chief Health Professions Officer (CHPO) for Scotland on behalf of the UK/Ireland and International CHPO group. The secretariat is being provided by the National Centre for Prosthetists and Orthotists at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland. The community launched in June 2009, in advance of the Global Forum of Health Professionals, providing valuable input into this event which was held by the World Health Organisation. The focus of the discussion was "Community Based Rehabilitation - development and challenges" and featured a number of patient case studies, illustrating the real issues and challenges of delivering rehabilitation services in different countries. This CoP is open to all health professionals with an interest in Rehabilitation - Clinical Leaders, Researchers, Expert Practitioners, Policy Makers, Support Workers and Key Stakeholders

Newly launched, this promising online resource presently has a CBR focus and highlights other aspects of rehabilitation as described in its most recent bulletin [excerpted below, att]). Expect significant site activity w/ (ISPO) World Congress in Leipzig, Germany (www.ispo-2010-leipzig.de) and consider tuning in to the webcasts on the 11th/12th May - featuring 'Provision of P & O services /CBR in low and middle income countries' among other relevant topics.

Please consider joining this online rehabilitation community and pass to potentially interested colleagues! - <http://my.ibpinitiative.org/public/rehabilitation>. If you have additional questions or would like further information, please contact Susan Shaw MBA MBAPO, GCoPR Project Officer; shaw-susan@btconnect.com.

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Following the success of our discussion week on Community Based Rehabilitation in June 2009, a further 6 separate discussions are planned for 2010 and will be held over the course of a 6-month period. Each discussion topic will be hosted by a WHO region and whilst maintaining a CBR focus, the topics covered will concentrate on a specific aspect of rehabilitation. As before, the discussions are intended to support inter-professional networking and facilitate the sharing of best practice across international communities and professions. Provisional schedule is as follow:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Host Region</u>	<u>Topic</u>
May	Europe	Long Term Conditions
May/June	Western Pacific	Healthy Aging
July	Eastern Med	Post Natural Disaster
Aug/Sept	Americas	Workforce planning
October	SE Asia	Vocational Rehab
October	Africa	Post Trauma/Conflict

Details on the countries within each WHO region can be found at: <http://www.who.int/about/regions/en/>

Each discussion topic will be launched via a number of WebCasts from international rehabilitation conferences around the world. All that is needed to access these WebCasts, through the GCoPR website, is a laptop/PC and a broadband connection to the internet.

The first WebCasts will take place on the 11th/12th May and will be from the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO) World Congress in Leipzig, Germany (www.ispo-2010-leipzig.de) and will include:-

- Community Based Rehabilitation and P & O Service Provision
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with
- Disabilities and Mobility Devices
- Benefits of Good Seating & Peer Training in Less Resourced Settings
- Provision of P & O services /CBR in low and middle income countries
- International Classification of Function, Disability and Health (ICF)

As outlined above, a further 5 discussion topics will be presented over the course of the next few months, culminating at the Community Based Rehabilitation conference in Africa in October 2010, where the WHO will also be launching their CBR guidelines.

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Electrotherapy for the treatment of painful diabetic peripheral neuropathy - a review

Karin Pieber, Malvina Herceg, Tatjana Paternostro-Sluga

Time-course and determinants of spasticity during the first six months following first-ever stroke

Erik Lundström, Anja Smits, Andreas Terént, Jörgen Borg

Analysis and Rasch analysis of the Zarit Burden Interview for acquired brain injury carer research

Richard J Siebert, Diana Jackson, Alan Tennant, Lynne Turner-Stokes

The arm studio to intensify the upper limb rehabilitation after stroke: Concept, acceptance, utilization and preliminary clinical results

R. Buschfort, J. Brocke, A. Heß, C. Werner, A. Waldner, Stefan Hesse

Evaluation of the psychometric properties of the upper limb subscales of the motor assessment scale using a Rasch analysis model

Kimberly J. Miller, Anita Slade, Julie F. Pallant, Mary P. Galea

Using psychometric techniques to improve the Balance Evaluation Systems Test: the mini-BESTest

Franco Franchignoni, Fay Horak, Marco Godi, Antonio Nardone, Andrea Giordano

Effect of addition of botulinum toxin-A to standardized therapy for dynamic manual skills measured with kinematic aiming tasks in children with spastic hemiplegia

Eugene Rameckers, Jacques Duysens, Hans J.S. Vles, Bouwien C.M. Smits-Engelsman

Effect of shock wave stimulation on hypertonic plantar flexor muscles in patients with cerebral palsy: A placebo-controlled study

Ernesto Amelio, Paolo Manganotti

Effect of neck exercises on cervicogenic headache: A randomized controlled trial

Jari Ylinen, Riku Nikander, Matti Nykänen, Hannu Kautiainen, Arja Häkkinen

Interdisciplinary rehabilitation after whiplash injury: An observational prospective outcome study

Felix Angst, Françoise Gysi, Martin L. Verra, Susanne Lehmann, Walter Jenni, André Aeschlimann

Three cases of referred sensation in traumatic nerve injury of the hand; Implications for understanding central nervous system reorganization

Salima D Poirrier, Wilbert Nieuwstraten, Ben Van Cranenburgh, Ton A.R. Schreuders, Henk J. Stam, Ruud W. Selles

Characteristics of patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease choosing rehabilitation

Ola Bratås, Geir Arild Espnes, Toril Rannestad, Rolf Walstad

Eye-hand coordination and its relationship with sensori-motor impairments in stroke survivors

Kelly L. Gao, Shamay S.M. Ng, Joey W.Y. Kwok, Ray T.K. Chow, William W.N. Tsang,

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Pain, Especially neuropathic pain, in adults with spina bifida, and its relation to age, neurological level, completeness, gender and hydrocephalus

Lars Werhagen, Claes Hultling, Kristian Borg

Quality of life and health conditions reported from two post-polio clinics in Israel

Tamar Jacob, Alex Shapira

Verifying the hypothesis of overwork weakness in Charcot-Marie-Tooth

Annemieke J. Videler, Anita Beelen, Frans Nollet

ABSTRACTS from the 1st Baltic and North Sea Conference on Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine “Reclaim Function!”

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND CONGRESSES

ISPRM World Congresses

- **6th Congress** **June 12 - 15, 2011** **San Juan, Puerto Rico**
- **7th Congress** **June 16 - 20, 2013** **Beijing, China**
- **8th Congress** **June 06 - 11, 2015** **Berlin, Germany**

Congresses on:

- **Stroke** www.internationalstroke.org/s_content.php?id=fb2002-03-04-1020
- **Neurology** www.eurostroke.org/esc_main%20links.htm
- **Neurorehab** www.wfnr.co.uk/docs/events.htm
- **Spine** www.spine.org/calendar/nass_future_events.cfm
- **Brain Injury** www.internationalbrain.org/content.php?pages=congress
- **Osteoporosis** www.iofbonehealth.org/meetings-events.html



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2010

17th European Congress on Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, 23 - 27 May 2010, Venice, Italy. Contact: alessandro.giustini@ntc.it



- **7th World Conference, International Society for Gerontotechnology, 27-30 May, Vancouver, Canada. Visit: www.sfu.ca/grc/isg2010**
- **20th Meeting of the European Neurological Society, 19-23 June, Berlin, Germany. Visit www.ensinfo.org**
- **37th World Congress of the International Society of Medical Hydrology, 23-26 June, Paris, France. Visit www.ismh2010.org**
- **ICAD 10 - Int. Conference on Alzheimer's Disease, 10-15 July, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Visit 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, Visit. <http://amlar2010.org>





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- **13th World Congress on Pain**, 29 August-3 September, Montreal, Canada. Visit 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 - visit <http://www.medcongress.prm10.org>



- **2nd World Parkinson Congress**, 28 September – October 1, Glasgow, Scotland. Visit 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
- **Integrative Course on Spasticity Management**, Organised by Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands, 10-12 October, Bodrum, Turkey, Visit: www.vitalmedbodrum.com
- **7th World Stroke Congress**, 13-16 October, Seoul, Korea. Visit www.kenes.com/stroke2010
- **National Congress of the French PM&R Society - SOFMER**, 13-16 October, Marseille. Visit: www.sofmer.com
- **2010 ACRM-ASNR Joint Educational Conference**, 20-23 October, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Visit: www.acrm.org/annual_conference/index.cfm
- **71st Annual Meeting of the AAPM&R**, 3-7 November, Seattle, Washington, USA. Visit www.apmr.org
- **XX CONGRESO ARGENTINO DE MEDICINA FÍSICA Y REHABILITACIÓN (SAMFYR)**, 4-6 November, Mar Del Plato, Argentina. Info: oevent@fibertel.com.ar – Visit www.samfyr.org
- **7th Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back & Pelvic Pain**, 9-12 November, Hyatt Regency Century Hotel, Los Angeles, USA, Visit www.worldcongresslbp.com
- **Introduction Disability and Development (course code 470588)**, Coordinator Wim H. van Brakel, 29 Nov-23 Dec, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Contact h.cornielje@enablement.nl
- **Second International Congress of Pan Arab Regional Group for Military Medicine**, 4-9 December, Jeddah, Saudi-Arabia Visit: <http://www.panarab2rcmm.org.sa/english/interconf/Pages/default.aspx>. Contact: Maher Jadid: msjadid@yahoo.com
- **1st IOF Asia-Pacific Meeting on Osteoporosis**, 10-13 Dec, Singapore. Contact: nakhmisse@iofbonehealth.org Visit www.iofbonehealth.org/singapore-2010.html

2011

- **11th European Congress on Clinical and Economic Aspects of Osteoporosis and Osteoarthritis**. 23-26 March, Valencia, Spain. Visit: www.ecco11-iof.org

6th ISPRM World Congress, June, 12 - 15, 2011, San Juan, Puerto Rico



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- **6th World Physical Therapy Congress**, 20-22 June, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Website: www.wcpt.org/congress
- **26th Annual Meeting of the North American Spine Society**, 1-5 November, Chicago, USA. Website: www.spine.org
- **72nd Annual Assembly of the AAPM&R**, 17-20 November, Orlando, Florida, USA. Website: www.aapmr.org

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- **World Congress for Neurorehabilitation**, 15 -19 May, Melbourne, Australia. Info follows.
- **3rd Conference of the Asian Oceania Society of PRM (AOSPRM)**, 17-19 May, Bali, Indonesia. Contact: 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
- **4th Congress of the World Union of Wound Healing Societies**, 1-7 September, Yokohama, Japan. Visit: <http://wuwhs2012.com>
- **27th Annual Meeting of the North American Spine Society**, 23-27 October, Dallas, Texas, USA. Visit: www.spine.org

2013

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