



# INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF PHYSICAL AND REHABILITATION MEDICINE

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### Tender to organise the 2009 ISPRM Congress

We herewith would like to announce that the tender for the 2009 ISPRM Congress is now open for bidding.

It is undoubtedly a great challenge for a national society to organise the ISPRM World Congress in its country. Apart from the high scientific level the ISPRM World Congress also offers an opportunity to welcome a large number of colleagues.

We therefore would like to encourage national societies to submit their bid for the 2009 congress.

An application to hold the 2009 ISPRM World Congress can be made by any active ISPRM national society member in good standing or any individual active ISPRM member in good standing fully sponsored by his national society.

Guidelines for making the application and how to organise the ISPRM World Congresses can be requested from the Central Office.

**Deadline for sending the application: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2003**

### The Central Office

For the benefit of our ISPRM members we would like to give you a survey of the services offered by the Central Office. The ISPRM Central Office is not only there for sending invoices in order to renew your annual membership fees and to send reminders if payment has not been received.

At the ISPRM Central Office there is a lot of exchange of ideas and information among our members, both individual members and national societies.

The ISPRM Central office also serves as a go between and as the liaison for all specialists involved in PM&R. For example we could help you and your colleagues in their search for a rehab centre for patients moving to another country (mainly in the third world). We can also help to trace your former training director or one of your colleagues of so many years ago....

The only thing we unfortunately cannot do is offering financial support for which we also receive numerous requests.

So please feel free to contact the Central Office for all information you could need with regard to your function or activities.

Kind regards,

Werner Van Cleemputte

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Revised to include the At Large Members representing National Societies. “Awaiting nomination”

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#### Members at Large Representing National Societies

Hubert Baumgartner	Switzerland	
Mihai Berteanu	Romania	(awaiting nomination)
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Frans Bruyninckx	Belgium	
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Abdulla Eyadeh	Kuwait	
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Guo Shenggui	China (CARM)	
Nikos Tassiopoulos	Greece	
Satoshi Miyano	Japan	(awaiting nomination)
Jeanne Oporto-Flordelis	Phillipines	
Tai Ryoan Han	South Korea	
Carlos Rangel	Columbia	
Eli Isakov	Israel	
Veronica Rodriguez	Puerto Rico	(awaiting nomination)
Manuela Silva	Portugal	
Tom Strax	USA	
Attarit Strinkapaibulaya	Thailand	
Mohd Taslim Uddin	Bangladesh	
Martinus Terburg	Netherlands	(awaiting nomination)
Fikret Tuzun	Turkey	
Anton Wicker	Austria	
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Nominating Committee:

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Gerold Stucki (chair), John Melvin, Peter Disler

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### NEWS FROM NATIONAL SOCIETIES, MEMBERS OF ISPRM

#### BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION (BAPMR)

The Second National Conference and Scientific Seminar of the Bangladesh Association of physical medicine and Rehabilitation (BAPMR) held in Dhaka, the Capital City of Bangladesh on 23rd. October'02. The Theme of BAPMRCON2002 was "Let us build a disability free society". 225 registered participants including a number of international participants have attended the conference. The conference had opening ceremonies, Scientific sessions, Annual General Meeting and the closing ceremony. The impressive opening ceremony held in Dhaka Sheraton Hotel was attended by a number of state VVIP's, including hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Mr Dr. Khondakar Mosharraf Hussain and State Minister of Ministry of Health and family welfare Mr. Amanullah Aman. An interesting commercial and pharmaceutical exhibition was held in parallel to the programs of the conference. The Scientific session was graced with various rehabilitation problems including the locomotor system disabilities, update on spinal cord injuries, rehabilitation of neurological and rheumatological disabilities, osteoporosis, pediatric rehabilitation and rehabilitation of traumatic Brain injuries. There were 3 lectures from international speakers, 14 oral presentations and 2 symposia on stroke rehabilitation and arthritic disorders. The closing ceremony had a colored cultural program with a raffle draw followed by the gala dinner.

#### THE MEXICAN SOCIETY OF PM&R

Had its XVII meeting in beautiful Mazatlan. There were over 500 attendees to this impressive 4 day scientific meeting that was also attended by many therapists, nurses and psychologists reaffirming the team approach to the rehabilitation philosophy. As previously reported, there are almost 1000 physiatrists in Mexico working in private practice, private sector institutions and the government.

Lectures in the areas of pain, electromyography, pediatric rehabilitation myopathies, spasticity management and genetics were complemented by important conferences in the areas of patients rights and the government views on the value of rehabilitation. Participants from the private sector, governmental institutions and private practitioners were all represented. A poster session and paper presentations reflected on the caliber of education that physicians in training are receiving at the leading institutions in Mexico City, Guadalajara and Monterrey.

The society had elections for a new board and several physicians were recognized with honorary degrees for their contribution to the field of Rehabilitation in Mexico. Dr. Juan Manuel Guzman a member of ISPRM was named to head the international relations section of the Society.

All of the activities were capped by a wonderful dinner dance where friendships were strengthened and muscles exercised until past 2 AM at the rhythm of Latin music, the way only Mexicans know how.

Participating in the meeting as a lecturer and representative of ISPRM I had the opportunity to encourage members to join our organization and on behalf of Dr. Haim Ring invited all to attend next year meeting in Prague.

### NEWS FROM YOUR NATIONAL SOCIETY MEMBER OF ISPRM

Please feel free to announce news from your National Society to the ISPRM Central office for publication in this section of the News & Views.

#### ISPRM WEBSITE

Please note that the website now features a full search engine, which enables visitors to fully search our content (including the abstracts).E.g. "bone and joint decade" or "membership" immediately directs the visitor to the proper places.

Please feel free to try it yourself at [www.isprm.org](http://www.isprm.org)

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### Upcoming Meetings and Congresses



2nd World Congress of the  
International Society of Physical and  
Rehabilitation Medicine – ISPRM  
PRAGUE 2003 Prague, Czech Republic, May 18 - 22, 2003

The 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress of the ISPRM Hilton Hotel, Prague, Czech Republic, May 18-22, 2003. Please contact Haim Ring ([hiring@post.tau.ac.il](mailto:hiring@post.tau.ac.il)) for further information.

For updates, registration, accommodation and papers submission please visit: [www.kenes.com/physical](http://www.kenes.com/physical)

- **Sixth Scandinavian Congress on Medicine and Science in Sports**, November 21-24, Aarhus, Denmark.  
[www.sportsmedicin.dk](http://www.sportsmedicin.dk)
- **The American Academy of PM&R** will take place in Orlando Florida, November 21-24, 2002. Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, Florida - E-mail: [fcygan@aaprm.org](mailto:fcygan@aaprm.org) - Web [www.aaprm.org](http://www.aaprm.org)  
*November 19-20, 2002* : - *Preparing Yourself for Physiatric Practice, Disability Evaluation Program, PASSOR Spinal Procedures Workshop*  
*November 21-24* - *AAPMR 63rd Annual Assembly and Technical Exhibition in conjunction with the AHA Section for Long-Term Care and Rehabilitation and American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association*  
*November 24-25* - *Coding and Billing Workshop*  
*November 24-26* - *Principles of Manual Medicine*
- National Congress of the **French Society of Sports Medicine**, December 6-8, Angers, France  
[www.sfms.assoc.fr](http://www.sfms.assoc.fr)
- **4th International Copenhagen Symposium on Chronic Pain**, January 25-26, 2003, Copenhagen, Denmark  
[bdp@bdp.dk](mailto:bdp@bdp.dk)
- **American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Annual Meeting**, February 5-9, 2003, New Orleans  
[www.aaos.org](http://www.aaos.org)
- **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Biofeedback Foundation of Europe**, Udine, Italy. February 16-22, 2003  
[www.bfe.org](http://www.bfe.org)
- **5th South Asian Confederation of Anaesthesiologists/1st South Asian Regional Pain Societies Congress** Dhaka, Bangladesh, February 18-20, 2003; [www.sacbd2003.com](http://www.sacbd2003.com)
- **American Academy of Pain Medicine 19th Annual Meeting**, February 28-23, 2003, New Orleans, Louisiana  
[www.painmed.org](http://www.painmed.org)
- Annual Meeting of the **Philippine Academy of Rehabilitation Medicine**, March 5 to 8, 2003, Boracay Regency, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan, Philippines. [www.eparm.org](http://www.eparm.org)

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- **Australian Pain Society 24th ASM/New Zealand Pain Society 10th ASM**, March 9-13, 2003; Christchurch, New Zealand. [www.apsoc.org.au](http://www.apsoc.org.au)
- **ISAKOS 2003, International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine** March 10-14, 2003. Auckland, New Zealand. [www.isakos.com](http://www.isakos.com)
- **The 22nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Pain Society**, March 20-23, 2003, Chicago, Illinois  
Visit [www.ampainsoc.org/meeting/](http://www.ampainsoc.org/meeting/)
- **The Association of Academic Physiatrists Annual Meeting**, March 26-30, 2003, Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
Visit: [www.physiatry.org](http://www.physiatry.org) also for call for papers and posters
- **The European Congress on Sports Medicine** will be held in Hasselt, Belgium, May 14-16, 2003  
Visit [www.medicongress.com](http://www.medicongress.com) for all detailed information and on-line abstract submission and registration.
- **The 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress of the ISPRM**, Hilton Hotel, Prague, Czech Republic, May 18-22, 2003. Please contact Haim Ring ([hring@post.tau.ac.il](mailto:hring@post.tau.ac.il)) for further information. Visit: [www.kenes.com/physical](http://www.kenes.com/physical)
- **11th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine (AFRM)** Rehabilitation in the Decade of Bone and Joint, Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart, Tasmania, 23-26 May 2003. Contact: DC Conferences, PO Box 571, Crows Nest NSW 1585, Australia, [afrm@dcconferences.com.au](mailto:afrm@dcconferences.com.au)
- **6<sup>th</sup> Int. Symposium on Paediatric Pain: Pain in Childhood**, 15-19 June, 2003, Sydney, Australia  
[ISPP2003@dcconferences.com.au](mailto:ISPP2003@dcconferences.com.au)
- **Fifth Brazilian Congress of Pediatric Orthopaedics**, June 18-21, 2003. Belo Horizonte, Brazil  
[sternick@gold.com.br](mailto:sternick@gold.com.br)
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Interdisciplinary Congress on Spine Care**, 10-13 August 2003, Chicago, USA: [www.worldspine.org](http://www.worldspine.org)
- **4th Congress of the European Federation of IASP Chapters**, September 2-6, 2003, Prague, Czech Republic  
Visit [www.pain2003.cz](http://www.pain2003.cz)
- **14th Annual Clinical Meeting of the American Academy of Pain Management**, September 3-7, 2003  
Denver, Colorado. Visit [www.aapainmanage.org](http://www.aapainmanage.org)
- **XI Congress of the International Headache Society**, September 13-16, 2003; Rome, Italy [www.i-h-s.org](http://www.i-h-s.org)
- **Rehabilitation International Assembly and Regional Conference**, September 29-October 4, 2003, Durban, South Africa.
- **EuroSpine 2003**, Annual Congress of the Spine Society of Europe, Sept. 30-Oct 4, 2003, Prague  
[www.eurospine.org](http://www.eurospine.org)

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- **Annual Scientific Meeting of the Southern Pain Society**, October 17-19, 2003; 2003, San Juan, Puerto Rico
- **The Southern Pain Society 2003 Annual Scientific Meeting** in Conjunction with the **Puerto Rico Pain Society: Pain Topics in the Tropics**, October 17-20, 2003 - **3-Night Bahamas Cruise** on Royal Caribbean's Sovereign of the Seas. E-mail: [southernpain@continuingeducation.net](mailto:southernpain@continuingeducation.net), Visit: [www.continuingeducation.net](http://www.continuingeducation.net)
- **SpineWeek 2004**, May 30 – June 05, 2004, Porto, Portugal – Combined meeting of the Leading Scientific Spine Societies being the **International Society for the Study of the Lumbar Spine – Spine Society of Europe - Soc Ibero-latino-americano de Columna Vertebral – Cervical Spine Research Society – Brazilian Society for the Pathology of the Spine – Asia Pacific Orthopaedic Association, Spine Section**  
Visit [www.medicongress.com](http://www.medicongress.com)
- **The European Congress of the FEMPR**, May 2004 in Vienna  
Dr. Michael Quittan, [michael.quittan@univie.ac.at](mailto:michael.quittan@univie.ac.at)
- **8th European Congress of Research in Rehabilitation**, June 13-17, 2004, Ljubljana, Slovenia  
[crt.marincek@mail.ir-rs.si](mailto:crt.marincek@mail.ir-rs.si)
- **11<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO)**, 1-6 August 2004  
Hong Kong: [ispo@pctourshk.com](mailto:ispo@pctourshk.com)
- **Rehabilitation International Assembly and World Congress**, August 9-13, 2004; Oslo, Norway.  
[www.RI-Norway.no](http://www.RI-Norway.no)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> World Congress of the World Institute of Pain**, 22-25 September 2004, Barcelona, Spain  
[info@clinicadeldolor.com](mailto:info@clinicadeldolor.com)
- **43rd Annual Scientific Meeting of the ISCOS, International Spinal Cord Society**, 27-30 September 2004, Athens, Greece. Visit [www.triaenatours.gr](http://www.triaenatours.gr)
- **5th Mediterranean Congress on PM&R**, September 30 -October 2004, Antalya, Turkey, conduct Pr. Tansu at Arasil, [tansu@surf.net.tr](mailto:tansu@surf.net.tr)

**Reminder: the 3<sup>rd</sup> ISPRM World Congress will be organised May 18-22, 2005 in San Paolo, Brazil and the 4th ISPRM World Congress will take place in 2007 in Seoul, Korea.**

Please feel free to announce your upcoming congresses in this agenda by sending an email with all information to the Executive Director

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