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 31st, 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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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 stateVVIP'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 Manual 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
Upcoming Meetings and Congresses

- Sixth Scandinavian Congress on Medicine and Science in Sports, November 21-24, Aarhus, Denmark. 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 - Web 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

- 4th International Copenhagen Symposium on Chronic Pain, January 25-26, 2003, Copenhagen, Denmark bdp@bdp.dk


- 7th Annual Meeting of the Biofeedback Foundation of Europe, Udine, Italy. February 16-22, 2003 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


- Annual Meeting of the Philippine Academy of Rehabilitation Medicine, March 5 to 8, 2003, Boracay Regency, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan, Philippines. www.eparm.org
• Australian Pain Society 24th ASM/New Zealand Pain Society 10th ASM, March 9-13, 2003; Christchurch, New Zealand.  www.apsoc.org.au


• The 22nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Pain Society, March 20-23, 2003, Chicago, Illinois Visit  www.ampainsoc.org/meeting/

• The Association of Academic Physiatrists Annual Meeting, March 26-30, 2003, Fort Lauderdale, Florida Visit:  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 for all detailed information and on-line abstract submission and registration.

• The 2nd World Congress of the ISPRM, Hilton Hotel, Prague, Czech Republic, May 18-22, 2003. Please contact Haim Ring (hring@post.tau.ac.il) for further information. Visit:  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

• 6th Int. Symposium on Paediatric Pain: Pain in Childhood, 15-19 June, 2003, Sydney, Australia ISPP2003@dcconferences.com.au

• Fifth Brazilian Congress of Pediatric Orthopaedics, June 18-21, 2003. Belo Horizonte, Brazil sternick@gold.com.br

• 2nd Inderdisciplinary Congress on Spine Care, 10-13 August 2003, Chicago, USA:  www.worldspine.org

• 4th Congress of the European Federation of IASP Chapters, September 2-6, 2003, Prague, Czech Republic Visit  www.pain2003.cz


• XI Congress of the International Headache Society, September 13-16, 2003; Rome, Italy  www.i-h-s.org

• Rehabilitation International Assembly and Regional Conference, September 29-October 4, 2003, Durban, South Africa.


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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, Visit: www.continueingeducation.net


- The European Congress of the FEMPR, May 2004 in Vienna
  Dr. Michael Quittan, michael.quittan@univie.ac.at

- 8th European Congress of Research in Rehabilitation, June 13-17, 2004, Ljubljana, Slovenia
crt.marincek@mail.ir-rs.si

- 11th World Congress of the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO), 1-6 August 2004
  Hong Kong: ispo@ptcoursbhk.com

- Rehabilitation International Assembly and World Congress, August 9-13, 2004; Oslo, Norway.
  www.RI-Norway.no

- 3rd World Congress of the World Institute of Pain, 22-25 September 2004, Barcelona, Spain
  info@clinicadeldolor.com


- 5th Mediterranean Congress on PM&R, September 30 -October 2004, Antalya, Turkey, conduct Pr. Tansu at Arasil, tansu@surf.net.tr

Reminder: the 3rd 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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