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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FORUM OF PHYSICAL AND REHABILITATION MEDICINE 8TH MEDITERRANEAN PRM CONGRESS

Dear friends and colleagues,

It gives me a great pleasure to welcome you in Limassol for the 8th Mediterranean Congress of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, 29th September to 2nd October, 2010.



Following the 1st successful Mediterranean Congress in Herzlia (1996) organized by the late Pr. Haim Ring et al, the pioneers of the Mediterranean movement continued to encourage colleagues from several countries to organize Mediterranean congresses for the benefit of our patients, for updating the knowledge and skills of our colleagues, for better understanding and co-operation among all the Health professionals who participate in the Rehabilitation Teams. We promoted to motto "Rehabilitation without frontiers" strongly believing that is a must for our Area and for the world in general.

All the Mediterranean Congresses, following the 1st, were very successful: the 2nd in Valencia (1998), the 3rd in Athens (2000), the 4th in Syracuse (2002), the 5th in Antalya (2004), the 6th in Vilamoura (2006) and the 7th in Portorose (2008). Now, the members of the "Mediterranean Forum of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (MFPRM) have entrusted me to organize together with the other members of the Cyprus Society of PRM the 8th Mediterranean Congress. We believe that Limassol, at the centre of the Eastern Mediterranean Sea will inspire and facilitate all people around to participate, from Middle East, from Africa and from Europe.

Moreover, the selection of our congress to host the 2010 Interim meetings of the International Society of PRM (ISPRM) has encouraged colleagues from all over the world (43 countries till now) to participate, exchanging with us their knowledge and experiences in the field of their work. The 8th Mediterranean PRM Congress hosts as well the 2nd Congress of Greek -Cypriot days of PRM.

Cyprus, the island of Aphrodite (Venus) or the island of love, was known from ancient times for its beauty and for the warm hospitality of its people. It was the crossroad of many civilizations and the place where they meet for their exchanges. Today, Cyprus is a modern country and from 2004 one of the member-states of European Union.

The unique combination of all modern facilities and the Mediterranean charm give the perfect settings for a truly successful and at the same time pleasant event.

The Congress covers various topics of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine and will enlighten the participants with all the new topics available in our field of work, as well as all the new equipment which have been brought in the market.

Prof. Dr. Nicolas Christodoulou,
President of 8th Mediterranean PRM Congress, Limassol



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UPCOMING ISPRM BOARD MEETINGS – MARK YOUR AGENDA

ATTENTION CHANGES APPLY COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Secretarial Meeting: 10.00 – 12.00 hrs: **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM Audit and Finance Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs: **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM Congress Committee: 14.00 – 16.00 hrs: **Tefkros Room**
 - ISPRM Education Committee: 14.00 – 16.00 hrs: **Evagoras Room**
 - ISPRM Publications Committee: 15.30 – 17.00 hrs: **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM Research Task Force: 16.00 – 17.30 hrs: **Tefkros Room**
 - ISPRM Sponsorship Committee: 17.30 hrs: **Tefkros Room**
 - ISPRM WHO Liaison Committee: 16.00 – 18.00 hrs: **Evagoras Room**
- ISPRM President's Cabinet Meeting and Dinner 19.00 hrs (on invitation only): **Onisillos Room**

Wednesday, 29 September

- ISPRM Executive Committee Meeting: 09.00-12.00 hrs - (on invitation only): **Evagoras Room**
- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 1, 14.00 – 17.30 hrs: **Room A+B**
- Official Opening of the Congress: 19.00 hrs at Ancient Amphitheatre of Kourion. Buses leaving from the congress venue (Grand Resort Hotel) at 18.30.

Thursday 30 September

- ISPRM Committee Meetings
 - ISPRM Audit and Finance Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs: **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM WHO Liaison Committee: 09.00-12.00 hrs and 14-15.30 hrs: **Tefkros Room**
 - ISPRM Disaster Relief Sub-Committee 14.00 – 15.30 hrs: **Evagoras Room**
 - ISPRM WHO Liaison Committee 16.00 -18 hrs: **Tefkros Room**

Friday 01 October

- ISPRM Committee Meetings
 - ISPRM International Societies Task Force: 09 – 10.30 hrs **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM Membership Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs: **Onisillos Room**
 - ISPRM WHO Liaison Committee: 14.00 – 15.30 hrs: **Evagoras Room**

Saturday 02 October

- ISPRM Board of Governors Meeting Part 2:, 13.30 – 17.30 hrs: **Room A**

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



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THE XXIV CONGRESS OF THE LATIN AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION – AMLAR 2010 AND THE XXV CONGRESS OF THE COLOMBIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

By Jorge E. Gutierrez, MD, MSc, Colombian ISPRM delegate

The Colombian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (ASCMF&R) organized the XXIV Congress of the Latin American Medical Association of Rehabilitation – AMLAR 2010. This supranational congress that included the XII meeting of the Latin-American Society of Paraplegia and the XXV Congress of the Colombian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation was held from August 25-28, in Cartagena, Colombia.

The Colombian Association was honored with the presence of most of the ISPRM president's cabinet including Dr Joel DeLisa - President, Dr. Marta Imamura -Vice-President, Dr Martin Grabois -Treasurer, and Dr. Linamara Battistella – Honorary president. Other ISPRM officers present at the meeting were Dr. Juan Manuel Guzman - Regional Vice President for Latin America, Dr. Walter Frontera Vice President for North America, Veronica Rodriguez - President of the 2011 ISPRM World Congress, Dr Christoph Gutenbrunner President of the 2015 ISPRM world Congress and numerous members of the ISPRM Committees, several representatives of the active national societies, and of the individual ISPRM members. They were joined by other world class speakers like Dr Jun Kimura, Dr Erik Stålberg, Dr William Micheo, Dr. Alberto Esquenazi, Dr. Bryan O'Young and Dr. Anton Wicker among others.

Some highlights of the congress are listed:

- We had 63 international speakers and 40 national speakers.
- More than 1060 people, from 30 different countries, attended the Congress. Besides the Americas, we had participants from Andorra, Spain, France, Italy, Portugal and Switzerland.
- The academic program was organized following the conceptual model proposed by Christoph Gutenbrunner, Jan D. Reinhardt, Gerold Stucki, and Alessandro Giustini (J Rehabil Med 2009; 41: 299–302). This model was adopted by the ISPRM for international PM&R congresses, and it was first applied in the European congress in Venice, earlier this year.
- The AMLAR congress had discounted registration charges for all the ISPRM members.
- Almost 90% of the practicing Colombian physiatrist attended the congress.
- We had 52 sponsors including the pharmaceutical industry, device and equipment distributors and publishers.
- Fellowships were granted to all Colombian PM&R residents to attend the congress.
- A forum about how to get published in Rehabilitation journals was held the first day.
- A round table about Accessibility and Rehabilitation policies was headed by Dr Joel DeLisa.
- Another round table about PM&R education in Latin America was conducted by Dr Martha Imamura, president of the ISPRM educational committee.
- Three special interest groups were created in the congress: Research in Latin America, Bioethics and Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation.
- The workshops about IFC, SFEMG, QEMG, SNMT, Research and outcomes in Rehabilitation and hydrotherapy were very well attended and evaluated.
- The Colombian association members declared, for third year in a row, to be very satisfied with the benefits of the combined national society/individual ISPRM membership.
- The ASCMF&R edited a new volume (two numbers) of the Colombian Journal of PM&R.
- 86 papers from 23 countries were presented; the abstracts of the ten best papers will be published in the American Journal of PM&R, the AMLAR's official journal.
- The best paper award was won by Dr. Fabio Salinas et al. from the Universidad de Antioquia for the manuscript titled "Evaluation of the efficacy of early intervention with Carbamazepine to prevent neuropathic pain after Spinal Cord Injury".



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- The Colombian Association of PM&R assumed the main directive positions of the Latin American Medical Association of Rehabilitation – AMLAR, Dr. Salomon Abuchaibe is the new AMLAR president, Dr Jorge Gutierrez the new AMLAR Secretary and Dr Carlos Rangel the new AMLAR Treasurer.
- Dr. Doris Valencia, was elected as new president of the Colombian Association of PM&R
- The congress organizers received a very positive feedback from the attendees and from the ISPRM officers for the high scientific level and for the way the meeting was organized.
- The 2011 ISPRM Congress in San Juan, Puerto Rico was widely promoted during the Congress. The Berlin 2015 Congress was also promoted.
- The Dominican Society of Physiatry will host in 2012 the XXV Meeting of the Latin American Association of Rehabilitation Medicine (AMLAR 2012), a conference endorsed by the ISPRM. The host town is Punta Cana. Information will be available soon in the upcoming website <http://amlar2012.com.do>

7TH INTERDISCIPLINARY WORLD CONGRESS ON LOW BACK & PELVIC PAIN

Balanced Solutions: Effective Implementation of Evidence Based Research, November 9 - 12, 2010

Hyatt Regency Century Plaza, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Early Registration Deadline Approaching - Sign Up Now!

We invite you to join us for the 7th Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back & Pelvic Pain, to be held November 9-12, 2010 in Los Angeles, California. This 2010 Congress will feature diverse and exciting research from our colleagues around the world.

A preliminary program is now available on the Congress website www.worldcongresslbp.com. Please visit the website for more information on registration, accommodations, and updated information.

In addition to the general session, 7 post Congress workshops will be offered on November 13th and 14th. All workshops have limited space, and we encourage you to register early to reserve your place.

Register by September 1, 2010 to receive a discounted registration rate. Reduced registration fees are also available for members of endorsing organizations. Please review the [website](#) for a list of organizations and to register.

The headquarters for the 7th Interdisciplinary World Congress on Low Back & Pelvic Pain is the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza Hotel. We have negotiated a reduced rate for Congress attendees. Please visit the program website for more information.

This activity has been approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*™.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Los Angeles in November.

Andry Vleeming and Colleen Fitzgerald

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Development and bibliography of Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine

Gunnar Grimby

Use of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health to describe patient-reported disability: A comparison of Guillain Barre syndrome with Multiple sclerosis in a Community cohort

Fary Khan, Bhasker Amatya, Louisa Ng

Validation of the London Chest Activity of Daily Living scale in patients with heart failure

Vitor Oliveira Carvalho, Rachel Garrod, Edimar Alcides Bocchi, Fabio Pitta, Guilherme Veiga Guimarães

Cost of walking, exertional dyspnoea and fatigue in individuals with multiple sclerosis not requiring assistive devices

Marco Franceschini, Anais Rampello, Federica Bovolenta, Aiello Marino, Panagiota Tzani, Alfredo Chetta

Comparing the validity of five participation instruments in persons with spinal conditions

Vanessa K. Noonan, Jacek Kopec, Luc Noreau, Joel Singer, Louise C. Mâsse, Hongbin Zhang, Marcel F. Dvorak

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Feasibility of a new concept for measuring actual functional performance in daily life of transfemoral amputees

Patrick Theeven, Bea Hemmen, Caroline Stevens, Esther Ilmer, Peter Brink, Henk Seelen

Reproducibility of three self-report participation measures: The ICF Measure of Participation and Activities Screener, the Participation Scale, and the Utrecht Scale for Evaluation of Rehabilitation-Participation

Carlijn H. van der Zee, Anniq R. Priesterbach, Luikje van der Dussen, Albert Kap, Vera Schepers, Johanna M.A. Visser-Meily, Marcel W.M. Post

Long-term effects of rTMS on motor recovery in patients after subacute stroke

Won Hyuk Chang, Yun-Hee Kim, Oh Young Bang, Sung Tae Kim, Yun H. Park, Peter K.W. Lee

Evidence of reduced sympatho-adrenal and hypothalamic-pituitary activity during static muscular work in patients with fibromyalgia

Diana Kadetoff, Eva Kosek

Who waits for inpatient rehabilitation services in Canada after neurotrauma? A population based-study

Angela Colantonio, Gary Gerber, Mark Bayley, Raisa Deber, Hwan Kim, Junlang Yin

Validation of the comprehensive ICF Core Set for rheumatoid arthritis: The perspective of physicians

Christina Gebhardt, Inge Kirchberger, Gerold Stucki, Alarcos Cieza

Mode of hand training determines cortical reorganisation: A randomized controlled study in healthy adults

Christina Brogårdh, Fredrik W Johansson, Frida Nygren, Bengt H. Sjölund

Restoration of walking function in an individual with chronic complete (AIS A) spinal cord injury

Kathleen J. Manella, Juana Torres, Edelle C. Field-Fote

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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



= congresses offering reduced registration fees for ISPRM members

2010

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.aapmr.org

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- **XX CONGRESO ARGENTINO DE MEDICINA FÍSICA Y REHABILITACIÓN (SAMFYR)**, 4-6 November, Mar Del Plato, Argentina. Info: coevent@fibertel.com.ar – Visit www.samfyr.org
- **6th. National Convention and Scientific Conference of the Bangladesh Association of PMR 2010**, Dhaka Sheraton Hotel, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 6-7 November. Visit: www.bapmrbd.org Contact: taslim@bdc.com
- **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

- **XII Congress of the Portuguese Society of PRM (SPMFR)**, 10 to 12 March 2011, Algarve, Portugal. Website: www.congressospmfr.org and www.spmfr.org
- **11th European Congress on Clinical and Economic Aspects of Osteoporosis and Osteoarthritis**. 23-26 March, Valencia, Spain. Visit: www.eccceo11-iof.org

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

- **6th World Physical Therapy Congress**, 20-22 June, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Website: www.wcpt.org/congress
- **European Conference on Post Polio Syndrome**, 31 August-2 September, Copenhagen, Denmark. Visit www.polioconference.com
- **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

2012

- **Ninth World Congress on Brain Injury**, 22-25 March, Edinburgh, Scotland, Visit: www.internationalbrain.org/
- **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



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- **Spineweek**, Third Combined Congress of the Different Spine Societies, 27 May - 1 June, RAI Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Info congresses@medicongress.com
- **18th European Congress of Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine**, “Science & Art in Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine”. 28 May - 1 June, Macedonia Palace Hotel, Thessaloniki, Greece Info: info@esprm2012.eu. Website www.esprm2012.eu
- **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

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