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EFOMP in ECR 2013

This year's contribution of EFOMP to the European Congress of Radiology (ECR) was a workshop on "**New technologies for lung imaging**". The workshop was well balanced and well attended by both medical physicists and a lot of radiologists. Total number of attendants in the two sessions (about 160 participants) was increased from last year (128 participants). Apart from the workshop, EFOMP had the opportunity to distribute a lot of material and information on its scientific and professional activities and schools, as well as on the following conferences in Brighton 2013 and Athens 2014 from the EFOMP society booth. |

EFOMP School for MPE 4-6 July, Prague, 2013

Following the results of the 'Guidelines on the Medical

Physics Expert' project the Education Committee of EFOMP is encouraging its NMOs to organise modules which would be specifically targeted towards Medical Physicists who would like to achieve Medical Physics Expert status. The first such module is organised by the Czech Association of Medical Physicists (CAMP) in collaboration with the EFOMP Working Group for Nuclear Medicine with the title: 'Specification, Selection, Acceptance-Testing, Commissioning and QC of Whole-Body PET-CT Devices' and will address one of the key activities of the Medical Physics Expert that is 'Clinical medical device management'. Each course will consist of lectures and practical delivered by international experts. EFOMP and CAMP have provided 5 bursaries to make it possible for a nuclear medicine medical physicist from Eastern Europe who is not yet recognized as a medical physics expert to participate. They have been recently

assigned by the EFOMP Education and Training Committee (1 Bulgaria, 2 Croatia, 1 Cyprus, 1 Turkey). Until now more than 30 people have registered (Algéria, UK, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, U.S.A.). Registration is open until 20 June: www.csfm.cz/Summer2013.html. For all practical information, including accommodation and public transport in Prague, please contact Czech part of organizing committee: summer2013@csfm.cz.

Female medical physicists

The International Organization for Medical Physics (IOMP) is currently trying to assess the percent of female medical physicists in order to decide if any action needed, to increase the number. EFOMP strongly encourages member states to take part in the online survey. The link is: <http://goo.gl/oA2bA>



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The EFOMP president, Peter Sharp, with the Chair of the Publications and Communications Committee, Virginia Tsapaki, in front of the EFOMP society booth in ECR.

European School of Medical Physics Archamps, France 2013

The annual European School of Medical Physics, which EFOMP organises in collaboration with the European Scientific Institute, will run from 17th October to 26th November at Archamps, France. It consists of 6 week-long courses which can be attended either separately or in combination. The courses cover: Medical Imaging (Imaging principles, Radiology and Ultrasound), Medical Imaging (Nuclear Medicine and MRI), Medical Computing, Physics of Modern Radiotherapy, Brachytherapy and Radiation Protection. This is an excellent opportunity for the newly qualified medical physicist, or for those considering a career in medical physics, to spend an intense period studying the subject in a supportive environment. Deadline for registration is 1st June.

More info at:

<http://lemoine.home.cern.ch/lemoine/esiweb/ESMPnn16.htm>.

Call for EFOMP nominations 2013

According to the present EFOMP Constitution 4 positions are open for elections. These are: The Vice President, Treasurer, Education and Training Vice-Chair, and finally European Matters Vice-Chair. National Member Organizations are encouraged to submit nominations for these positions. Nominations should be sent to the Secretary General by email no later than 5th of June, 2013.

44th Annual Meeting of the German Society 18-21 September 2013, Cologne

Just after the International conference of Medical physics, the Annual Meeting of the German Society for Medical Physics will take place in 18 - 21 September 2013 in Cologne (Germany). The conference venue will be University of Cologne. The official conference language will be German. For more info please visit the following website: <http://www.dgmp-kongress.de>

Hospital Governance Board and the Role of the Medical Physicist

EFOMP Officers propose to set up a Working Group to develop a Policy Statement that will set out the case for Medical Physicists to be closely involved in hospital governance and, where this has not already happened, to seek membership of their hospital's governance boards and its committees, emphasising the importance of such membership for the good of the patients and the hospital as a whole. In order to proceed with the above proposal and before approval is requested from the EFOMP Council, NMOs are requested to provide the EFOMP Secretary with a brief description of the governance systems of the hospitals in their country and the role, if any, Medical Physicists have in such governance systems. Council will discuss the proposal. If approved, to issue specific mandates to the Board and Committees of EFOMP to proceed with its implementation. Deadline is 15th May 2013.