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(newsletter prepared by Annelies de Wolf - SCIPT secretary)



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SCIPT has become an official subgroup of ISCoS

SCIPT is pleased to inform you of SCIPT's new status as an official subgroup of ISCoS.

Discourse regarding this proposal took place during the SCIPT discipline specific meeting at the 55th ISCoS Annual Scientific Meeting in Vienna, Austria. The SCIPT meeting was chaired by Ulla Bergner and attended by 50 delegates from 17 countries.

At the SCIPT meeting, ISCoS Chair Jean-Jacque Windaele presented and elaborated on ISCoS's proposal and answered any questions posed by SCIPT members present at the Vienna meeting. At the end of the meeting a vote was casted from all present in favour of SCIPT to strengthen its ties with ISCoS and therefore to become an official subgroup of ISCoS.

SCIPT views this process and change as a positive step towards ISCoS recognizing the multi-disciplinary and true nature of the care for people with SCI. Moving forward, the SCIPT Committee will have a Seat on the ISCoS Council, will be granted a meeting/workshop at each Annual Scientific Meeting, and the ISCoS website will have a link to the SCIPT website. Other implications for SCIPT to function as an official subgroup of ISCoS is that the SCIPT

Committee commits to provide ISCoS with an Annual Report, will promote ISCoS membership as well as ISCoS initiatives. At present, SCIPT will remain an affiliated Network of WCPT. The SCIPT website will also remain.

Call for SCIPT Committee Member Nominations

The process of becoming an official subgroup of ISCoS furthermore necessitates SCIPT to refigure the SCIPT Committee - one which will sit under ISCoS.

Please consider nominating yourself or a colleague for one of the SCIPT Committee positions. SCIPT is seeking Nominations for each of the following Regions:

- Europe
- Middle East
- South America
- Africa
- North America (USA/Canada)

Nominees for Committee member must demonstrate an interest and willingness to work with international collaborations to further increase knowledge in SCI Physiotherapy.

A Committee member must be an experienced Physiotherapist in the area of SCI and preferably an ISCoS member (not mandatory initially). A Committee member will carry the responsibility of representing his/her region. It would be great if he/she attends the ISCoS annual meetings for our face-to-face meetings. All nominations must be received by January 15, 2017 via email to Ulla Bergner (ulla.bergner@bge-murnau.de). If more than one nomination is received for a particular region then the position will be put up for vote.

More information about the Committee position and eligibility requirements can be obtained from SCIPT Chair Ulla Bergner (Ulla.Bergner@bgu-murnau.de)

~ The SCIPT team would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season ~

Find us on Facebook

Please join our group on facebook. Over 2,500 people representing an array of countries are currently signed up and participating in discussions on various topics. This is the place to meet like minded SCIPTs from all over the world and talk about anything SCIPT-related you like.



Send us contributions

Please send us contributions for our website. This Network is primarily intended as a forum for sharing resources. So we need people to be willing to contribute and share their resources. So please consider sending us your Powerpoint presentations, documents and policies or anything which might help others.

Future newsletters

Please tell us about what you are doing on your SCI unit. It does not matter how big or how small ' people are generally interested to know what is going on outside their own countries.

Please send material to us at:
adminSCIPT@med.usyd.edu.au

Our network

SCRIPT continues to grow. We now have over 1,800 members from all around the globe.

Updated facts:

No of SCRIPTs who have registered for membership via the website	1,861
No of country representatives	240
No of SCRIPTs receiving this newsletter	1,800
No of people who have joined our face book page	2,779
No of countries represented on our network	92
No of people who have visited our website	93,700
No of presentations which have been uploaded onto the website	166
No of documents which have been uploaded onto the website	187
No of videos which have been uploaded onto the website	183