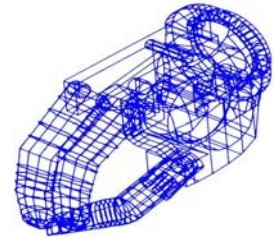




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As Conference Chair of the TIPS 2009 Organising Committee, I am delighted to invite you to attend and exhibit at this premier event in the field of upper limb prosthetics to be held in Loughborough from 18th – 20th May 2009. TPS, as it was then, was first held in 1992, the brainchild of a small team of rehabilitation professionals based in the Trent area. It was originally intended to be a multidisciplinary triennial *national* event but has grown immensely in popularity over the years and is now recognised as *the leading international* event for all professionals involved with upper limb rehabilitation.

Following the retirement of founding members Janet Kingston, Viv Ibbotson and John Ronald, TPS 2005 was held under the auspices of ISPO UK NMS and continued the success of previous events, increasing in size and reputation, attracting delegates from eleven countries spanning three continents. I believe this continued success is due to the large clinical content of the programme, the excellent organisational skills of a dedicated team of professionals and the consistent support of the commercial exhibitors.

TIPS 2009 will continue to target and attract an international audience and I fully expect the number of countries represented and delegates in attendance to maintain this upward trend. Indeed, several overseas enquiries have already been received following early notification and advertising of the event. To maximise this opportunity, the organisers have chosen Burleigh Court Conference Centre, a first class venue located in the heart of the Trent area, convenient for both national and international delegates, providing excellent meeting and leisure facilities and flexible exhibition accommodation.

The commercial exhibition has always been a key aspect of this international event, providing delegates with a rare opportunity to view the specialised components required in the field of upper limb prosthetics and discuss new products and innovations with representatives in the rehabilitation industries.

I very much hope you will take advantage of this exciting opportunity to exhibit at TIPS 2009. You can count on a warm welcome from our delegates and organisers and lots of interest in your products and innovations.

I look forward to welcoming you to Loughborough.

Best wishes.

Bill Dykes  
Conference Chair