Welcome to the Winter 2018 ISPO UK MS bulletin. December is the time to come together, rest, end the uncertainty, re-focus on what unites us, tune up to a harmonious way of living for all, reflect on what has passed, identify what is needed, plan the future activities, and align them all with our vision. Awareness of challenges we face, on the back drop of unchanging shows opportunities to act.

We started the year on the back of a successful workshop “research day” leading to a very well attended status of science day on “Osseointegration”. We continued our work towards establishing a uniform standard of care in Prosthetics and Orthotics across the UK, through the support of education and dissemination of good information. Support of the NHS in outcome measures (www.amprom.uk), development of new ISPO UK MS website at www.ispo.org.uk as a platform to represent the Multi-Disciplinary Team (identified as an important area of need for rehabilitation medicine in UK).

Facilitating collection of Data, through working with ISPO International and US institutions to set up registry, liaison with ISO for quality and safety of devices “Direct Skeletal Fixation, Lower limb Orthosis”, preparing for new Medical Devices and custom built Rules, sharing future technology direction (www.movaid.eu) at the ISPO Central Europe meeting, encouraging the focus of ISPO Global educators around the user, and participation in Limbless Association’s 35th birthday are some of the highlights of the year.

Our joint bid for North Sea Countries World Congress proposed to be held in Stockholm (2023) focuses on MDT standards for best practice and evolving unified standard of rehabilitation. This is the natural continuation of our journey to achieve the goal we set. The October 2018 annual scientific meeting on “Advancing our understanding of the body interface in Orthotics and Prosthetics” was well attended with best practices shared from Germany, Ireland, and the Netherlands, all crystallising our steps to grow.

The organising team of the joint 2019 ISPO UK ASM, Trent International Prosthetics Symposium (TIPS) and BACPAR (20-23 March 2019) has attracted an unprecedented number of abstract submission. Early bird registration is now extended to end of January 2019. (www.trent-prosthetics.com). This meeting will be held in Media City (Salford, Manchester) in conjunction with the ISPO International board meeting which provides the advantage of participation of expert board members at our meeting. For 2019, we plan to hold more one day workshops on the status of science and horizon scanning on “socket technology, innovation on Scoliosis”, standards for safety of “Osseointegration implants and fail safe mechanism”. Any additional ideas are most welcome.

The world congress of ISPO at Kobe in Japan in the Autumn of 2019 is what promises to round up a new year with more certainty enabling us to get a step closer to ISPO UK MS strategy fulfilment. Planning for the 2020 ASM at Stanmore will begin soon. It would be very useful to hear from members and their views of what they think the next 3 year strategic plan of ISPO should contain. 2021 and 2022 could offer closer collaboration with neighbouring countries and national institutions.

I encourage you to register for the meeting in Salford and participate in General Assembly to provide feedback on how you would like ISPO UK MS to evolve, engage new members and future executive leadership.

We look forward to welcoming you at Salford in Spring 2019 and, on behalf of the ISPO UK MS Executive Committee, I wish you all peace, a very merry Christmas and very happy 2019.

Prof Sir Saeed Zahedi, Chair, ISPO UK MS
Arrangements for TIPS/ISPO/BACPAR 2019 are now well underway with an outline draft programme for TIPS2019 sessions available to view here. Details of the ISPO/BACPAR sessions on Friday 22 and Saturday 23 March will be available early in the new year.

The overarching theme of the conference is “Moving beyond the lab” and the programme will comprise a series of keynote and guest lectures, free paper presentations, poster exhibition and workshops. The exhibition has already attracted many key commercial organisations which will offer delegates an opportunity to see the latest innovations in rehabilitation engineering and assistive technologies.

We are also grateful to our sponsors for their additional contributions which will ensure the conference is a truly inspirational event for all professionals involved in rehabilitation medicine, research, practice, prosthetics, orthotics, engineering, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, neuroscience, assistive devices and technologies.

REGISTRATION is now open, with the deadline date for early birds extended to 31 January 2019. We’ve teamed up with local event management company, Salford Conferencing, who will handle all registration logistics. Register now for best rates – if you have any questions or need additional information, contact Vicky Beckett at tipsconference@salford.ac.uk.

Remember also to join or renew your membership of ISPO for 2019 to take advantage of further reduced rates.

Discounted rates at local hotels have also been negotiated. Visit the website for more details including booking information.

Commercial organisations and charities should be aware that exhibition space is filling up fast. Spaces are still available but to be sure you don’t miss out at TIPS/ISPO/BACPAR 2019, please download the booking form here and e-mail through to the ISPO UK Secretariat at info@ispo.org.uk as early as possible.

The next planning meeting of the joint organising committees is early in January 2019 and full updates will be posted on our websites, so visit regularly to keep up to date. We look forward to seeing you in Manchester!

It's time to renew ISPO membership subscriptions for 2019 and it's never been easier!

RENEW NOW online to take full advantage of all member benefits for 2019 including:

- Reduced registration fees for TIPS/ISPO/BACPAR 2019 which will be held at The Lowry, Manchester, from 20-23 March.

- Reduced registration fees for ISPO's 17th World Congress in Kobe, Japan (5-8 October 2019).

- 6 issues of Prosthetics & Orthotics International delivered to your door and available online together with all previous editions.

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- **Type of Membership requested**
  - Full
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On behalf of ISPO, I would like to personally invite you to the 17th World Congress in Kobe in 2019. The biennial World Congress is a highlight for all who deal with rehabilitation, in particular prosthetics and orthotics. The Congress in Kobe will certainly be an exciting time for all, as we continue to develop everything from new service models to new technological solutions while we remain focused on the people who benefit from our services. Significant progress has taken place since our last meeting to assist individuals with disabilities at a global level as well as in many places at a local and individual level and many of these developments will be highlighted in the numerous sessions.

‘Basics to Bionics’ captures the breadth of the Congress in every aspect and the scientific sessions as well as the exhibition will expand this theme. The exhibition will also highlight new technological developments and robotics in use in rehabilitation.

The Congress will have something for everyone: for service users, for the ISPO community and the broader rehabilitation community as well as industry. I would encourage all of you to make the effort to be in Kobe and I look forward to seeing you there.

Friedbert Kohler
ISPO President
Chair, ISPO 17th World Congress Committee

http://www.ispo-congress.com