

Dear ISPAD member,

On behalf of the ISPAD Steering Committee I wish to update you on the recent developments.

1. Annual General Business Meeting on Friday, September 4th , 2009 in Ljubljana at 5:00 p.m.

During the Annual General Business Meeting we will elect new officers for the Advisory Council and a President-elect (taking over from Thomas Danne after the meeting in Buenos Aires 2010). Nominees will be circulated to ISPAD members via e-mail prior to the meeting. An agenda of the meeting will also be circulated by e-mail prior to the meeting.

2. Official Call for Nominations for Office

This is the first call for nominations. All nominees must have agreed to have been nominated. Nominations must be received 60 days prior to election during the business meeting on August 14th. In Durban, i.e. by **July 5th, 2009**

We will elect four people to the advisory council 2009-2011 (replacing: Jeremy Algrove, London, UK, Carmel Smart, Newcastle, Australia (non-medical), Tatsuhiko Urakami, Tokyo, Japan and Claire Levy-Marchal, Paris, France) . This year we should elect 3 medical members and 1 non-medical. Nominations should be sent to the Secretary-General by email, with an attached Word file (not more than one page altogether, and preferably with a small photo inserted) where the nominee states their details on the following subjects:

Born:

Nationality:

Profession:

Previous ISPAD roles:

Present Position:

Other relevant memberships and positions:

Education and previous positions:

Main research interests:

Aim when elected to ISPAD office:

3. ISPAD Prize Of Achievement 2009

The ISPAD Prize is the Society's highest honor. It is awarded to any individual who has made outstanding contributions in the areas of SCIENCE, EDUCATION and ADVOCACY which have had a major impact on childhood and adolescent diabetes. The ISPAD Prize may be awarded to members or non-members of ISPAD. The Prize has been made possible by a generous grant from Eli Lilly and consists of a glass sculptured trophy, a monetary prize of US\$ 5,000 plus standard travel, registration

and hotel 4 nights. The recipient will be expected to travel to Ljubljana to formally receive the Prize at the 35th Annual Scientific Meeting of ISPAD. Nominations should be addressed to the Secretary General by June 1st, 2009, detailing the nominee's achievements.

4. Other ISPAD Prizes

Please send in your applications for the following other awards (Deadline June 1st, 2009):

- **ISPAD Award for Education and Advocacy**

ISPAD's honor for Education and Advocacy will be awarded to an ISPAD member who has made outstanding contribution within these areas. It will be presented at the 35th ISPAD Annual Meeting in Ljubljana. The prize winner gets US\$ 3,000 plus economy travel to the Ljubljana Annual ISPAD meeting where he or she will give a talk, the "Lestradet Lecture". The award is supported by Lifescan.

- **ISPAD Young Investigator Award**

This award is open for any ISPAD member aged 40 or less. Apply with CV and a paper published in a peer reviewed journal (or accepted) within 2 years prior to application to the Secretary-General. The winner will receive US\$ 3,000 plus economy travel to the Ljubljana Annual ISPAD meeting where he or she will give a 15 minute presentation, the "Young Investigator Lecture". The award is supported by Medtronic.

5. Visiting Research Fellowship 2009-10

Applications are invited from ISPAD members or other young researchers who wish to study or carry out diabetes related research at a recognized centre of excellence.

We now have only one fellowship available per year, but have increased its value to US \$25,000.

The deadline for the application for this Visiting Fellowship is **June 1st, 2009**.

A report on the fellowship will be published on the website within 1 year after fellowship. The recipient will give credit to ISPAD on any publication arising from any work done during the fellowship.

6. Allan Drash Clinical Fellowship

ISPAD's 6 week clinical fellowship (US\$ 5,000): applicants below 45 years, applications from any ISPAD member by June 1st. (CV, Current place of employment, Cover letter with current place of employment, reason and goals,

acceptance letter from place they want to visit). Report will be published on the website within 1 year after fellowship.

7. ISPAD Guidelines

- a) The ISPAD Clinical Practice Consensus Guidelines 2006-2008. These have been published successively as separate chapters in Pediatric Diabetes. The next step is to publish them all in time for the Ljubljana meeting as a compendium, which will be a supplement to Pediatric Diabetes.
- b) The IDF/ISPAD Type 1 Diabetes Summarized Guidelines. This is a request from IDF (International Diabetes Foundation, www.idf.org) to rewrite our Guidelines in another format, stating Comprehensive, Standard and Minimal Recommendations. They will be printed in time for the IDF meeting in Montreal, October 2009.
- c) SWEET Recommendations. SWEET (Better control in Pediatric and Adolescent diabetes: working to create Centres of Reference) is developing recommendations for Centres of Excellence based on the ISPAD Clinical Practice Consensus Guidelines.

8. ISPAD 2010 – save the date

The 36th ISPAD Annual meeting will be held from October 27th to 30th in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The convenor is Olga Ramos [oramos@intramed.net].

9. Future ISPAD meetings

2011: Miami, USA (Alan Delamater). Preliminary date Oct 19th -22nd.

2012: Izmir, Turkey (Damla Göksen, Sukran Darcan)

2013: Open for bids: Please contact Mr. Wolfgang Huang (whuang@kit-group.org) at our secretariat for further information and instructions. A bid book shall give information about the host city, the suggested meeting venue, the social program etc. A preliminary bid book should be submitted by May 29th 2009, and applicants may present their application at the ISPAD Advisory Council meeting in connection with the ADA meeting in New Orleans on Tuesday June 9th. The presentation at ADA is not obligatory, but it is required to be given to the Advisory Council at the Ljubljana meeting (Sept 1st), after which the decision of venue will be taken.

2014: We are also glad to hear about any plans for bidding for future meetings from 2014 onwards, although the formal bidding will not take place until later.

10. Annual ISPAD SCIENCE SCHOOL 2009 for Physicians

The 2009 Science School for Physicians will be hosted by the Department of Paediatrics, University of Cambridge and will take place between the 15th and 20th November 2009 at Madingley Hall, Cambridge, UK. Deadline for applications was 15th April 2009.

The syllabus will cover a range of core topics including the pathophysiology of diabetes, epidemiology, genetics, complications risk, clinical trials and statistical methods, and will be supported by a faculty of internationally renowned experts from the Institute of Metabolic Sciences, University of Cambridge together with external speakers. Set in the historic and relaxed environment of Madingley Hall, near Cambridge, students will have the opportunity to explore and develop their research ideas under the tutelage of the resident faculty.

Convener: Dr Carlo L. Acerini, University of Cambridge.

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Full information can be found at www.ispad.org

11. Sixth ISPAD Science School for Health Professionals, Ljubljana, Slovenia, August 30th - September 1st 2009

The Sixth ISPAD Science School for Health Professionals will be held in Ljubljana immediately prior to the 35th Annual Scientific Meeting of ISPAD.

The 3 day meeting is designed for nurses, dietitians, psychologists, social workers and podiatrists (*not MD's*) who have or wish to develop a research interest and expertise in diabetes in young people. The School will give participants an understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methodologies, statistics, publication strategies and will provide constructive discussion about research projects currently being undertaken or considered.

The closing date for applications was February 20th. Student places will be limited to 15. Applications were assessed by the Science School Steering Committee.

The cost of the meeting will be covered by ISPAD. All costs (economy flights, accommodation and meals) will be covered.

- Senior Convenors -
- Professor Alan Delamater, Psychologist,
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 - Dr. Sheridan Waldron, Senior Diabetes Dietitian
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ISPAD wishes to thank all those involved for their efforts. For questions please contact Alan Delamater and Sheridan Waldron at email adelamater@med.miami.edu and sheridan.waldron@btinternet.com

The Science Schools for health Professionals are sponsored by an unrestricted educational grant from Lifescan and Animas. We wish to thank our treasurer Lynda Fisher for facilitating this support.

12. Postgraduate Courses

Buenos Aires:

An ISPAD postgraduate course was organized in November 2008 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in collaboration with ALAD (Asociacion Latinoamericana de Diabetes). The local organizing committee was headed by Olga Ramos. Around 400 participants from all over South and Latin America came to this event, most of them pediatricians working in diabetes care, but also diabetes nurses and some psychologists and dieticians. The faculty represented the whole region.

All lectures were simultaneously translated into Spanish or English by very skilled interpreters (doctors). We enjoyed the very high scientific level of all the presentations and thanks to the simultaneous translations we could take full part in the very lively discussion. The conference language was Spanish, i.e. even people who were fluent in English addressed their questions to us in Spanish, enabling every participant to fully understand. We replied in English which was simultaneously translated. It was impressive to see how easily people from so many different countries could follow the debate, thanks to their common Spanish language. After the conference, more than 50 persons applied for ISPAD membership.

Buzias, Romania:

About 125 people attended the course in Buzias in April 2008. Half a dozen plenary lectures plus multiple workshops and case discussions were held, with great organization and enthusiasm for ISPAD, ONROCAD (Romanian acronym for Romanian National Organization for the Protection of Children and Adolescents with Diabetes) and ongoing cooperation among the pediatric and adult diabetes community.

13. Future Postgraduate Courses

Future Postgraduate Courses are planned for Krasnoyarsk (Jan Bruining, Stu Brink), Amman, Jordan, May 2010 in connection with Pan Arab Society for Diabetes and Mayo Clinic (Abbas Quadreh), Peru 2011 (Maria Isabel Rojas, Ragnar Hanas), Kuwait (Kenneth Robertson), India (Anju Virmani)



13. ISPAD 35th Annual Meeting 2009, September 2nd – 5th , Ljubljana, Slovenia

Prof. Tadej Battelino, the ISPAD 2009 Conference Chair, writes:

I warmly invite you to my hometown Ljubljana to the 35th annual meeting of ISPAD, September 2nd to 5th, 2009. Twenty years after the first ISPAD annual meeting in Slovenia, our Society is stronger, more influential, and as dedicated as ever to our common principles. Please come and actively participate in the exuberant and prolific exchange of scientific and clinical knowledge of every aspect of diabetes in the young. The motto of the 35th annual ISPAD meeting in Ljubljana "Translation research in pediatric diabetes" conveys sincere hope and conviction that by convening and working together we can continue to make a difference for young people entrusted to our care.

More than 300 abstracts have been received and are currently under review by the Abstract Review Committee. The Scientific Committee and the Local Organizing Committee are in the final stages of putting together a programme of high scientific standard for all members of the pediatric diabetes team. Please be reminded of the deadlines for registration:

Early Registration Fee Deadline: May 15th, 2009

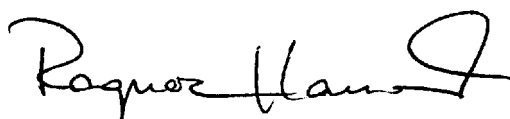
Standard Registration Fee Deadline: August 1st, 2009

For more information visit the website under www.ispad2009.com and download the 2nd announcement.

14. World Diabetes Day; St Vincent Declaration

The 20th Anniversary of the St Vincent Declaration will be celebrated by a meeting in Glasgow, UK 21 – 23 November 2009, and there will be a pediatric track included in the program.

With very best wishes and looking forward to seeing you in Ljubljana,



Ragnar Hanas
ISPAD Secretary General