Message from the Chair

The excitement continues to build as we put the final touches on the biennial International Conference on Medical Regulation to be held 2-5 October 2012 in Ottawa. The number and caliber of abstracts received has exceeded our expectations. The program planning committee, chaired by Dr. André Jacques has developed a fast-paced agenda covering many of the timely topics facing medical regulators worldwide. To address these issues, we are thrilled to have leading experts and innovators in the field presenting at this year’s event.

Early fall is the perfect time of year to visit the remarkable city of Ottawa. I am keeping my fingers crossed that you will get to see the fiery autumnal colours of the trees; if you do not, it means that the temperatures are not cold enough, so perhaps it will not be such a bad thing after all? Canada’s Capital is an inviting destination with many sites, museums, art galleries and restaurants to tempt you.

There is still time to register (early bird registration closes on 27 August 2012) so if you have not done so already, please do not delay.

I look forward to welcoming you soon in my hometown!

Fleur-Ange Lefebvre
Chair

IAMRA News

IAMRA welcomes new members
The International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA) is pleased to welcome the Brazilian General Medical Council, The Gambia Medical and Dental Council and Dubai Health Authority as its newest members. IAMRA currently has 74 members from 36 countries.

Membership information available online
Outreach by IAMRA members remains the most effective method of increasing membership. To support this work, the
Supreme Court upholds healthcare law (Washington Post, 28 June 2012)

Rise of overseas trained doctors (The Times of Malta, 4 July 2012)

Doctors strike over pay conditions in Tanzania (British Medical Journal, 10 July 2012)

Telemedicine research published (British Medical Journal, 11 July 2012)

Doctors strike over budget cuts in Portugal (British Broadcasting Corporation, 12 July 2012)

European Parliament publish key reports on professional qualifications directive (European Commission, 16 July 2012)

Planned changes to Irish health system (The Irish Times, 30 July 2012)

IAMRA Membership Committee has created several documents to aid in this effort: an IAMRA Brochure, IAMRA Talking Points, a Solicitation Letter template, and a Volunteer Form. These documents can be found in the Members Only section of the IAMRA website. We encourage you to utilize these valuable tools when communicating the work of IAMRA.

Meetings

IAMRA Biennial Conference
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
2-5 October 2012
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CPE and IPAC Meeting
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
4-5 October 2012
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Future IAMRA Biennial Conference
September 2014
London, England, United Kingdom

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