

**Advisory Group on Communication  
Report to Executive Committee on Meetings/Interactions  
Date 4 April 2017**

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**The second GoToMeeting was held on 3 April 2017 – ALL members + Ingrid attended**

**General Progress Report:**

All members are familiar with DROPBOX, but several also with GOOGLE Docs  
Committee members were urged to make use of the WA chat group.

IFOMPT unique email addresses:

It is the ideal situation

- More professional
- Information is stored and available to next MO rep

Logistics may be a constraint

- Cost an issue, especially for data storage
- Heavy burden on Office Secretary to coordinate

For now, decided to [at least] implement use of the national association's official email address  
[e.g. [MOrep@omptg.co.za](mailto:MOrep@omptg.co.za)], rather than personal email address

A suggestion was made that a Communication Guideline is developed to facilitate communication  
between EC and the MO representatives. Renee will do the first draft

**Matters that the Group would like to bring to the Attention of the Executive Committee:**

It was proposed that the IFOMPT website needs a page to upload scientific publication/papers which  
MOs can access. Possibly with a log-in facility

- Not for the public
- Countries can get to know each other
- Information can be shared

In a general discussion on 'Why do we have an IFOMPT?'

- Most important is standardisation of OMT training and therefore the Standards committee,  
to promote excellence in MT. This goes hand-in-hand with achieving specialisation
- Other reasons for an International; Federation is to sort out politics in the profession and  
to stand up for this field of physiotherapy

The AGC expressed the need for more communication from the EC regarding their activities:

- Need a report on current activities and planning of the next year from the EC – in each of  
the portfolios of the EC
- Possibly a letter to MOs after every EC meeting
- These also then needs to be published on the website
- NAME of the 'I-Blast'? Revisit the names that were submitted. Needs to contain 'IFOMPT' in  
the name?

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