



Dear MOs and RIGs,

Happy Leap Day to all! We are already two months into 2020 and below, an update of what the Executive Committee has been up to:

1. We received a RIG application from Latvia and following submission of all the required documents, they were approved as the 20<sup>th</sup> RIG of IFOMPT.
2. The call for nominations for one additional member for the Standards Committee has been extended to 14 March 2020. Please consider suitable candidates from your MO to put their names forward to serve on this Committee.
3. We are in the process of upgrading and updating the IFOMPT website. A small team has been appointed to anchor this project, but it is a joint effort by all and we would like to invite you to send any insights and ideas you may have to the office as a priority. We hope to make it a reflection of the IFOMPT family and welcome all high-resolution photographs and videos you may have for us to use on the website, please.
4. The Constitutional Review Task Force is continuing with the task of updating the constitution. Thank you to all that participated in the latest forum on the proposed membership categories. If you did not participate or have further inputs, please send us those as soon as possible. The first draft of the updated constitution is expected to be ready in early March and will be sent to members to look at and comment. We hope to follow that up with a further rolling forum where the various clauses will be explained and opened for discussion.

and feedback. We invite all our MOs to please participate in the discussion so that we can finalise as much as possible to present an agreed to constitution for consideration in Melbourne.

5. The next two IFOMPT webinars will be presented by Prof. Kim Bennell and Prof. Michelle Sterling and will be a precursor of what they will be presenting in Melbourne in October. These will be advertised shortly, and you are encouraged to let your members know. The recordings from all the previous webinars are also now available online in a partnership with APTA who will host this offering for 2020

(Headache: <http://learningcenter.apta.org/student/mycourse.aspx?id=ef5780d7-39a2-40fb-a98a-f19249d7bf9d> and Pain

Science: <http://learningcenter.apta.org/student/mycourse.aspx?id=7e3ca4ab-f524-4eb7-bbbc-a0c4b8162a96> and

Nerves: <http://learningcenter.apta.org/student/mycourse.aspx?id=03625dcf-4ea9-422a-bcf1-166d66a2b0ec>; and Neck

Pain: <http://learningcenter.apta.org/student/mycourse.aspx?id=af3531ea-8b2e-4e90-821f-2e117be69a88>),

while the Prof. Gwen Jull webinar is also available as an online course in partnership with Physiopedia. ([https://members.physio-pedia.com/course\\_tutor/international-federation-of-orthopaedic-manipulative-physical-therapists-ifompt/](https://members.physio-pedia.com/course_tutor/international-federation-of-orthopaedic-manipulative-physical-therapists-ifompt/) and importantly, we have an IFOMPT discount code for our members doing the course : IFOMPT50. The specific discount link <http://bit.ly/2LZeGhU> should be used).

6. IFOMPT 2020 is just around the corner and we would like to encourage you to increase your efforts to encourage your members to register and attend. Promotional material has been made available to all members by the team from Australia and we ask that you please push this out as far and wide as possible. The programme should be out shortly and, following receipt of a high number of abstracts, it is shaping up to be an unforgettable event. Remember to also encourage your members to submit videos on the benefits of IFOMPT to be in line to win the final conference registration.

7. This is a further reminder that we will be hosting a Strategic Planning meeting on 4 October 2020 in Melbourne to plot the next phase in the evolution of IFOMPT. Planning for this is under way and members will be asked for inputs in the period leading up to Melbourne.

8. The 2020 General Meeting will take place from 2 to 5 p.m. on Monday, 5 October 2020. The draft agenda and call for inputs will go out shortly and we will be requesting written confirmation of official voting delegates per MO.

9. All members were notified of a special meeting that will run from 17 February

to 16 June 2020. The purpose of this meeting is to have the members consider and vote for candidates nominated for Life Membership of IFOMPT as well as the acceptance of the Red Flags Framework. Further supporting documentation and reminders will be sent over the course of the 4 months.

10. Various matters have been sent to MOs and RIGs and require responses over the course of the next few months including:

- USA and Switzerland to submit their comprehensive conference proposals for 2024 by **29 February 2020** after which the bids will be sent to all MOs to make recommendations **by 1 May 2020**
- Responses to IFOMPT MO Survey by the Membership Task Force by **1 March 2020**
- IFOMPT Standards Committee Nominations extended to **14 March 2020**
- 2020 Subscription payments due by **31 March 2020**
- Nominations for IFOMPT Awards by **31 March 2020**
- The International Monitoring Reports for Canada, Finland, Hong Kong, Ireland, Sweden, and Switzerland are all due by **31 March 2020**
- Nominations for IFOMPT Executive Committee Members by **15 May 2020**
- Special Meeting vote regarding Life Members and Red Flags Framework on **17 to 19 June 2020**

Kind regards

IFOMPT Executive Committee  
29 February 2020