I-BLAST

Dear IFOMPT Team

We have had some developments since the last I-Blast:

1. We sadly lost Brazil as an MO following the suspension of the World Physiotherapy membership of Brazil. This meant we also lost Aline Miranda Ferreira from the EC, Anamaria Siriani D'Oliviera from the SC and Allesandra Ottoni from the Business and Finance Committee. The good news is that Brazil has re-joined as a RIG and will remain involved with IFOMPT with the members on Task Forces and Advisory groups all able to continue their involvement. We trust that the WP membership matter will be resolved soon and we can welcome them back as an MO.
2. We welcome Lily Bautista as a member of the EC. Her exact roles and responsibilities will be shared with the membership in due course.
3. The RIG from Singapore submitted their MO application to EC in early November. This is a very encouraging development as they were able to work with the Advisory Group on Membership Development to have their application documentation ready in record time. The application has been referred to the SC to evaluate their programme and once all is in place, a special meeting will be called to vote them in as an MO.
4. Tracy Bury presented the draft Strategic Plan for the next 5 years to EC at the November EC meeting and once some final amendments have been made, we will present the plan to the members. This has been a thorough and collaborative process over the past nine months, and Tracy was very encouraged by the engagement of the members and stakeholders and the evolution of IFOMPT that was evident from the discussions. We look forward to sharing the plan with the members and working with you to implement this.
5. The Basel Conference administration has been concluded with the transfer of the IFOMPT share of the conference profit following a protracted 16-month post conference process. The conference policy is very clear and requires a comprehensive post event report including a fully transparent financial report in which the organisers report on the actual situation compared to the budget originally presented and transfer of the IFOMPT profit share 6 months following the event. Sadly, we were not able to get a comprehensive final report.

Unfortunately, the financial reporting was not to the standard required by EC and the Business and Finance Committee, including many unresolved questions. Following multiple interactions and meetings; advice from the auditors; advice from World Physiotherapy and the involvement of the Business and Finance Committee, it was decided to conclude the process and accept the information provided by SVOMP. The conference was a major success and SVOMP is very highly commended for this. It will go down as a very memorable marker in our history, and it was unfortunate that we were unable to resolve the differences regarding the comprehensive report and the financial reporting by SVOMP. The lesson learned is that the policy and oversight of the conference need to be significantly strengthened going forward.

6. The Committees, Working Groups and Task Forces all continue to work on their various tasks and we appreciate all the effort being put in by many volunteers. The 2 new Task Forces have already started their work and we are encouraged by the enthusiasm from all corners of the world.
7. The Standards Committee presented their draft Maintenance Review documents to EC following a comprehensive development process in which they involved the MOs of Denmark and Canada to sense check the proposed process. This reflects the collaborative approach of the SC and we look forward to the further documents as they keep developing the new processes. They are also working with the web developer on the new online submission portal and we hope to launch that soon in response to the request from MOs over many years for a streamlined IM submission process.
8. We will be calling for nominations for additional SC members in early 2026 as there are some vacant positions at present, and encourage our members to consider potential candidates to approach to be nominated.
9. We invite all our MO and RIG delegates to attend the November 2025 Team Talk and Town Hall session in the week of 17 November 2025. The Vancouver Team will give a quick update and members are invited to raise any matters they would like to discuss as always.

Kind regards
IFOMPT Executive Committee
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