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<u>Charge</u>: To propose ways that IUPAP can work more closely with the International Organization of Medical Physicists

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Recommendation: IOMP should form an Affiliated Commission of IUPAP



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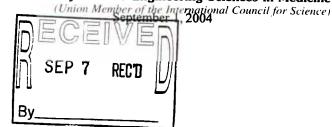
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Dear Dr. Franz:



The International Organization for Medical Physics (IOMP) would like to propose the establishment of an "International Commission on Medical Physics" (IComMP) which would be an Affiliated Commission of the International Union for Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP).

The IOMP is a non-profit, non-government organization, founded in 1963 as an umbrella organization for national medical physics associations worldwide. At present it has 74 national organizations with about 16000 medical physicists working in hospitals, medical schools, and research institutions. The IOMP is a member of the International Union of Physical and Engineering Sciences in Medicine (IUPESM) and has recently become a union member of the International Council for Sciences (ICSU).

The mission of IOMP is to assist in the worldwide development of medical physics, to foster international cooperation in medical physics by sponsoring international meetings, conferences, workshops and symposium in medical physics and to promote communication between the various branches of medical physics and allied sciences. The IOMP, thanks to the activity of a large number of its filial organizations and individual members, is deeply involved in application of physics in medicine; in particular use of ionizing radiation for cancer diagnosis and treatment.

The IOMP is aware of the mission and activities of the IUPAP in trying to help in the application of physics toward solving problems of concern to humanity. The Council of IOMP have fully endorsed the proposal and are convinced that the establishment of an Affiliated Commission will provide closer ties between medical physicists and other applied physicists and hence will enhance our cooperation on physics and streamline our efforts for the advancement of the application of physics for the benefit of patients worldwide.

To expedite the process of establishing IComMP, IOMP would like to propose the following membership for this commission:

- Five IOMP Elected Officers: President, Vice-President, Past-President, Secretary-General, and Treasurer,
- Three IUPESM Elected Officers: President, Vice-President, and Secretary-General,
- Few IUPAP (individuals) delegates from related commissions (such as Education (C14), Biophysics (C6), .. etc.)
- Four IOMP committee Chairs: ETC (Education and Training), SC (Science), PRC (Professional Relations), and IAB (International Advisory Board),
- Few IOMP (individuals) members-at-Large (if deemed necessary),

On behalf of IOMP, I look forward to presenting this proposal to the IUPAP Council and Commission Chairs Meeting in Mumbai, India, October 15-16, 2004.

Best wishes on a continuing relationship between IOMP and IUPAP.

Sincerely, Azam Ninomard-Rad

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