Dear Sir or Madam

Are you interested in pushing the field of Rehabilitation Technologies forward by exchanging your ideas and sharing your experiences with engineers, clinical researchers, clinicians, industry-, and patient representatives as well as politicians and insurers from all around the world? Then it is our great pleasure to invite you to attend the third RehabWeek, which will take place in London, from July 17th to 20th 2017.

We are, for the third time after 2011 in Zürich and 2015 in Valencia, combining four reputable international events in the field of rehabilitation technology for the RehabWeek 2017 with the goal to bring all players in the field to the same place at the same time. The four participating conferences are:

- International Conference on Rehabilitation Robotics (ICORR)
- International Neurorehabilitation Symposium (INRS)
- Annual Meeting of the International Functional Electrical Stimulation Society (IFESS)
- British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine (BSRM) Meeting

The general theme of the RehabWeek 2017 is “Translation and clinical delivery”. The aim of rehabilitation should be to maximize recovery for real life activities. Hereby, we should encourage restorative practices at every turn resulting to achieve the coordinated use of affected extremities or faculties. Ideally, clinicians and engineers alike desire affordable technology systems that span to clinical and home environment, are easy to use and result in functional gains that carryover to real life. Over the last decade we have witnessed the development of technology playing a pivotal role in measurement, assessment, therapy provision through movement assistance and social aspects. Although a number of very
exciting ideas found their way to commercialization, the slow uptake of technology seems to be associated (among other factors) with the need to make technology transparent to the user. Besides the technological push, we now face the challenge of making such technology meaningful to the clinicians, patients and support networks.

The London RehabWeek will target basic science, the translation of technologies across fields and promote clinical delivery. It will have a strong user involvement, inspire the younger generations and galvanise experts to tackle the challenges ahead through collaboration.

We would like to invite you to join us in making the RehabWeek 2017 an inspiring, innovative and successful event.

Kind regards
RehabWeek Steering Committee

Dear IFESS Member,

We have often talked of having an IFESS meeting in conjunction with another society with related interests. This is to announce the joint meeting with no less than three other societies, to be held in London in July 2017.

During the 4 days, there will still IFESS-specific Workshops and Presentation Sessions, but there will also joint sessions with the other societies: round-table discussions and poster sessions to encourage cross-fertilisation.

What you need to do – think about running a workshop on the first day of the meeting. If you want to do so, please contact us as soon as possible. Then also start thinking about presenting a poster or an oral at the meeting. Further information will be sent out soon.

We hope to see you next July in London!

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