

#### **Newsletter November 2015**

# Chair's message of the month

Dear members, I hope that all members have visited our renewed website. The board is very happy with the result to date. There are some issues which still have to be addressed, one of them is the membership database. As this is not yet activated in the website we will contact all members to renew their membership in the usual way. It is important to renew your membership on time in order to be eligible for a reduced fee for the 2016 ISFRI in Amsterdam and to continue JoFRI's subscription.

## 2016 conference update

As announced at the last ISFRI/IAFR meeting the 2016 annual meeting will be held from May 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Academic Medical Center Amsterdam the Netherlands.

The website is open and up to date. As of November 1<sup>st</sup> it is possible to register for the meeting and to submit your abstracts. Please visit our website: <a href="www.isfri2016.org">www.isfri2016.org</a>, for the latest news. We will also use the Facebook and Twitter account of the ISFRI to keep you up to date, so if you use one of these social media like us or follow us.



#### **JOFRI**

The Journal of Forensic Radiology and Imaging, although a relatively young journal, has proven itself to be a viable subspecialty journal. The Board encourages all ISFRI members to submit their case reports, original articles or review article online via <a href="http://ees.elsevier.com/jofri/">http://ees.elsevier.com/jofri/</a>.

### Update from the working groups

#### **Disaster Victim Identification**

The DVI group has been looking for an internationally reputed odontologist to assist with the next statement. The chair of this working group, G. Rutty, has secured the assistance of the lead for Interpol who is the ex-deputy chair of the Interpol dvi group. Work on the next statement will start very soon.

### **Upcoming conferences and events**

- February 22<sup>nd</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 2016 AAFS, Las Vegas, USA.
   The annual meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, a multi-disciplinary professional organization that provides leadership to advance science and its application to the legal system, will be held in Las Vegas, USA. More information on the program can be found on-line: http://www.aafs.org/meetings/2016.
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 ESR, Vienna, Austria
   The ISFRI will be present with a society booth at the upcoming congress of the European Society of Radiology. We hope to see many of you there and encourage the submission of abstract on forensic imaging to the ESR. More information on the program can be found online: <a href="https://www.myesr.org/cms/website.php?id=/en/ecr\_2016.htm">https://www.myesr.org/cms/website.php?id=/en/ecr\_2016.htm</a>
- March 14<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 2016, Virtopsy Course, Zurich, Switzerland
   The Virtopsy Course combines a Basic and an Advanced Course into an entire week of
   forensic imaging. The Basic Course is focused on post-mortem CT and 3D documentation.
   The Advanced Course is dedicated to post-mortem MR and angiography. The objective of the
   course is to provide theoretical knowledge and practical skills in forensic radiology and
   imaging. Virtopsy Courses are aimed at all persons who are professionally involved in
   forensic radiology and imaging, including forensic pathologists, radiologists, radiographers,
   and surveying specialists. Information on the program can be found on-line:
   <a href="http://www.virtopsy.com/datastore/documents/courses/upcoming/VC2016prelimprogramf.pdf">http://www.virtopsy.com/datastore/documents/courses/upcoming/VC2016prelimprogramf.pdf</a>
- June 21<sup>st</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 2016 Symposium of the International Academy of Legal Medicine, Venice, Italy.
  - The 2016 IALM will discuss the present and future evolution of Bio-Medicolegal Sciences in the post-genomic framework of Personalized Medicine, in terms of Innovation, Unitariness and Evidence. The unitariness of the "Bio-Medicolegal Sciences", historically founded on the accuracy and rigor of the methods of ascertainment and criteria of evaluation, should reestablish itself on molecular evidence, in the promotion of a Personalized Justice. During this meeting the ISFRI will hold an afternoon session focussed on forensic radiology. Early bird registration ends on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Reduced rate for ISFRI members. <a href="http://www.ialm2016venice.org">http://www.ialm2016venice.org</a>

## **Contact the Chair**

As the chair of ISFRI I believe that a our society should be an open and democratic society, this means that every members voice should be heard. This can be achieved through an active role within our working groups or as a future member of the board. The board would like to encourage our members to contact us if you have ideas or suggestions, e.g. for research projects or collaboration. This can be done via our secretary Thomas Ruder: <a href="mailto:contact@isfri.org">contact@isfri.org</a>

Of course if you would like to contact me please feel free to so, I can be contacted via e-mail on: <a href="mailto:r.r.vanrijn@amc.uva.nl">r.r.vanrijn@amc.uva.nl</a>