



International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation Newsletter 33rd Issue – 2nd October 2006

Handovers have been finished and the new executives have started turning their ideas and plans into reality...In this special issue of the Newsletter the IPSF Executive Committee of 2005-06 says goodbye to the past year, but hopefully not to IPSF!

Katja Hakkarainen **President**

The term 2005-06 in IPSF finished in July in Australia at an incredible IPSF Congress. When I think of my term as IPSF President, I think of the 12 months of great team work with the Executive and all IPSFers, thousands of emails, travelling all over the world, meeting pharmacy students from different countries, developing activities for members, promoting and representing IPSF and pharmacy in professional organisations, and working in The Hague as IPSF Permanent Officer. The year was extremely busy, but at the same time the most rewarding and enjoyable learning experience you can have, a wonderful year of my life. I wish to thank all IPSFers who gave me the honour and pleasure to serve the Federation as IPSF President 2005-06. Although I have left IPSF at the executive level, IPSF will always be in my heart and I will definitely follow the developments of this amazing organisation. I wish the new executive and other committee members great success leading IPSF this year. The more you give, the more you get. Keep up the spirit and take the most out of it!
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Yasmine Salah Koraiem **Chairperson of Professional Development**

My story started like Alice's in Wonderland. I knocked on the doors of the pharmacy world in Halifax and kept holding the handle of the door for a year. Then in Bonn the doors opened to reveal the beauty of the pharmacy world when I was elected as IPSF Chairperson of Professional Development. Walking in this fabulous world, I



didn't meet the seven dwarfs, but my dear 8 executives. It was the IPSF love and dedication that led us all the way during the last year.

Thanks to my friends in IPSF who made my year so special for me. Now Zhining Goh, the new Chairperson of Education and Practice will continue the way the coming year and I am sure she will do a great job.

With all love and appreciation I have in my mind, I would like to say IPSF has added lots to the pharmacy world and will never stop...the future is ours!

Salam alykom! (peace and love upon you all)

Irena Subová
Chairperson of Student Exchange

It is time to say good bye and believe me it is not easy at all. I got the infection called IPSF in Budapest 2002 during congress. It is one of the best infections you can imagine and best medicine to it is to be involved. The year in the IPSF executive was the highlight of my IPSF life. I was happy to share with you what "IPSF oldies" taught me. Merit of Chairperson of Student Exchange is having team of Student Exchange Officers. I was extremely proud of my team this year – SEOs, you were great!!!
Keep the IPSF spirit, Viva la pharmacy!

Ellen Diedrichsen
Chairperson of Pharmacy Education

Thanks to all the great IPSF members who made this past year truly successful. It was an amazing opportunity to serve on the IPSF executive and I cannot find adequate words to share my joy with you all. IPSF succeeds because of the dedication of its members. Thanks to you all for your energy and enthusiasm. Best wishes for continued growth and success.

Axel Thomas
Chairperson of Public Relations

Hi to all IPSFers, and especially my beloved CPs!
I began this year with the desire of getting to know more of the fabulous world of pharmacy students, and how our members, the associations, were working in their countries... I was not disappointed at all ! After a bit less than 150.000 kms crossed around the globe and hundreds of events attended, I had a wonderful year full of discoveries and new friends, where I could see how dedicated and imaginative students can be in order to bring more health and better life to people, and how Pharmacy is such an incredible world... You are studying for the best job on earth, don't forget it! So

thank you once more for the amazing opportunities you all brought to me, and as I may see you again in a still unknown place, let me tell the traditional IPSF goodbye: "see you somewhere, sometime!" Until then, that's the end of the show, but the show must go on! I'm sure Public Relations will be handled finely by my fellow comrade Mohammed Atef from Egypt, but for now, That's all Folks!

Mohanad Nader
Chairperson of Publications

After two years of serving the federation and for sure being IPSF addicted, I have to say that IPSF changed my life and gave me the direction which will lead my life. During the past two years with two execs we tried to serve IPSF to the best of our knowledge and I am sure that the new exec will do their best to complete this and start new projects for IPSF. Good Luck for the New Executives and I am sure Audrey will be a great leader!
Viva la Pharmacie and Viva IPSF!

Juha Mönkäre
Treasurer 2005-08

Georgina Gál
Secretary General 2005-07 and Vice President 2005-06

Some things (and people) never change...☺ We have the pleasure of serving our beloved Federation further, so we still hope to meet lots of you in upcoming events!

We wish all the best to our ex-exec mates and we are looking forward to working together with this year's great team!

Yoko Gocho
Chairperson of Public Health

The past year as the Chairperson of Public Health had seen the most wonderful moments of my life and I couldn't have done it without all your help. I thank you for your support.

IPSF is the place to meet a lot of nice people, and to be exposed to numerous opportunities. It is with so many passionate people around you that you can achieve almost anything that you set out to do in IPSF. And of course to have fun together ☺

I am sure that Anna Watson, the new Chairperson of Public Health will develop more IPSF Public Health activities, and everyone will continue their great work on Public Health activities.

I believe that we will see each other in future, so I don't want to say good-bye....

Arigato-gozaimeshita! (Thank you in Japanese ☺)

Joe Whitehouse
52nd IPSF Congress Chairperson

Although it was my 5th IPSF Congress, the 52nd Congress in Cairns was an awesome experience and it is clear that the IPSF spirit does not change. In fact, it peaked in Australia, and I know that we all had a great time, including the entire Organising Committee, and all the sponsors and speakers. The success was purely due to the great people that came to explore pharmacy downunder – IPSF members themselves. Thank you to the IPSF Executive for working so closely with me and the OC over the last 2 years to organise such a great event, and thank you to IPSF for putting their trust in NAPSA to make pharmacy student history in our great country.

Keep the spirit!!!

Karen McGill
PARO Chairperson 2005-07

Thank you to everyone who made this a fantastic year! I enjoyed working with and meeting everyone. Through collaboration with enthusiastic students from across the globe, many projects are underway in the Pan-American Region. I look forward to continuing this over the upcoming year!