



Dear colleagues,

I am writing to you in my role as Chair of the radiographer Scientific Subcommittee at the European Congress of Radiology, which will take place in Vienna in March 2016. It will be an exciting educational and networking opportunity with a Radiographers' programme more diverse and more innovative than ever before, please find it in the attached (green fonts represent Radiographer speakers).

We are contacting you about strengthening radiographer participation at the European Congress of Radiology in 2016 to ensure our educational and research achievements are celebrated and advertised in a wider audience at a European level.

As the Radiographer scientific programme lead I worked with my team to ensure a wide **thematic and geographical representation** and a balanced and interesting programme of expert Radiographer speakers from different European countries. We have made extra efforts this year to have **a diverse programme**, to reflect the variety of our role. Therefore there are sessions on radiography education, radiography research, innovation, patient safety, image quality optimisation across different disciplines, mammography, interventional radiology, molecular imaging, paediatric imaging, as well as a special focus session on radiation protection, management in radiology and the role of the radiographers in management. There is a variety of many more sessions that appeal to the specific research interests of any medical imaging professional, there will be more details published soon at https://www.myesr.org/cms/website.php?id=/en/ecr_2016.htm

It is also the first year we have managed to have **100% participation of Radiographer speakers in our Refresher Courses**. However to ensure we reach another **record of radiographer participation** we need to have a lot of submitted abstracts too, either as papers or posters.

Therefore, may I please ask you to consider submitting an abstract and also to pass the message to your radiography colleagues and students at your universities, hospitals and research centres **to help enhance abstracts submission from radiographers at ECR 2016?**

Abstracts can be in any field relating to radiography, including -but not limited to- education, patient care, image quality optimisation, patient safety across all the medical imaging disciplines, role development, management in healthcare, auditing, service improvement, technology assessment.

Deadline is October 15th 2015, so 6 weeks from now and you may find more at https://www.myesr.org/cms/website.php?id=/en/ecr_2016/scientific_paper_abstract_submission.htm Please make sure submissions are made under the **category: Radiographers**. Please note there are many discounts and prizes for student

radiographers:

https://www.myesr.org/cms/website.php?id=/en/ecr_2016/esr_rising_stars.htm

Thank you very much for your support in advance.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Vienna to celebrate the achievements of our profession together!

Warm wishes,

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