

## IPS Annual Report 2017

IPS has offered three webinars during 2017 – topics were:

- No 1 – ‘PHARMACEUTICAL PATENTS’
- No 2 – ‘Prevention of Anti-Microbial Resistance in Manufacturing Operations’
- No 3 – ‘Pharmacy in 2050; Forces That Will Shape Practice’

IPS has been, and is, actively involved in two BPP Working Groups and one Policy Group:

- Supply Chain WG
- Pharmacy Vision WG
- FIP Statement of Policy “Control of antimicrobial resistance (AMR)”

During the FIP Congress in Seoul IPS was part of delivering the following seminars; ‘Biosimilars for all: Research, regulation and responsible use’, ‘Individualized medicines: An ethical approach’, ‘Gene-based therapy’, ‘Supporting patients with chronic diseases’, ‘Counterfeit medicines: Safeguarding the supply chain, protecting people’, ‘Antimicrobial stewardship – Looking for global solutions’, ‘Shortages: The International Toronto Summit and beyond?’, and Short Oral Presentations. Furthermore IPS arranged a very successful ‘Industrial Visit’ (Handok) and a much appreciated ‘Students half day’ (Sookmyung Women’s University) and finally a most popular post-Congress ‘GMP Seminar’ together with the Korean Society of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Technology.

IPS has initiated and maintains an active Facebook page with well over 1.000 ‘Friends’ and an active Twitter account in order to improve awareness of FIP, IPS and its activities.

Several presentations were also given at other international conferences by IPS ExCo Members, as always using these opportunities to inform about FIP and IPS; Sri Lanka Pharmaceutical Society, Sri Lanka - February 2017 – Michael Anisfeld presented on "Process Validation", PROCEASEP, Cuba - March 2017 - Michael Anisfeld presented on "GMPs for Sterile and Biotechnology Products" and "Data Integrity", SINDUSFARMA/ ANVISA - June 2017 - Sini Eskola presented on "Post Marketing Regulatory Changes - Risk Analysis"

Awards:

- The Mike How Travel Award winner for 2017 is Ms. Joanne Chinemerem Muoh, Republic of Benin.
- The IPS Best Poster Award (awarded at the IPSF Congress) winner is Ms. Jana Kubackova, Czech Republic

Publications:

Two quarterly IPS Newsletters have been distributed to IPS members during 1H/2017. As before we also provide IPS members with a complimentary copy of the “Industrial Pharmacy Journal” each quarter.

Review of WHO guidelines:

IPS continues to participate in the review of draft WHO Guidelines and has provided its comments to the FIP Secretariat. During the first part of 2017 IPS provided comments on five draft WHO guidelines. Draft WHO Guidelines are distributed not only to the IPS ExCo but to all IPS Members,

providing them with an opportunity to gain early insight into proposed WHO guidelines and to provide their input into the proposed document.

ExCo meetings:

The IPS ExCo has held monthly GoToMeetings and two face-to-face meeting, at the FIP Headquarters in The Hague on 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> January and in Seoul on 11<sup>th</sup> September

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A highlight of the year was the post Congress GMP Workshop in Seoul, organized by the Korean Society of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Technology, held at Anjou University for Korean industrial pharmacists. More than 100 participants gathered to discuss Good Manufacturing Practice and listen to lectures by Korean and IPS experts. Three IPS ExCo members delivered presentations on various topics related to “Quality by Design-based cGMP Inspection and Registration of Advanced Formulations”; Michael Anisfeld, Mathew Cherian and Forum Jalundhwala. In this way IPS contributed to an increased visibility of FIP, to raising the professional standards and in the long term to advancing pharmacy practice.

Goals for 2018:

- To contribute to a successful Congress in Glasgow including the one-day event “Industrial Insights” organised together with the Academy of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- To finalize the BPP Special project ““The value a pharmacist adds in the pharmaceutical industry”
- To increase the interaction with IPS Members including more extensive use of social media