

Industrial Pharmacy Section

Annual Report 2018

- IPS has been very active in FIP's Working Group on Pharmacists in the Supply Chain and in May this year the report, "Pharmacists in the supply chain: The role of the medicines expert in ensuring quality and availability" was published. The WG was chaired by Ulf Janzon and both Michael Anisfeld and Erik Naeser from IPS made important contributions to the report. The report aims to provide a foundation from which improvement can develop".
- IPS has gained support from BPP for the Special Project – The Future of Pharmacists in Pharma Industry. Unfortunately, due to technical reasons half of the responses were lost. IPS finalized a report but due to lack of responses the outcome was inconclusive. The BPP has asked IPS to resend the questionnaire to make it possible to publish a conclusive report and IPS has agreed to, again under the leadership of Michael Anisfeld.
- The IPS awarded the IPS Medal in 2018 to Mr. Luc Besançon, France. Mr. Besançon attracted a big audience at the IPS Membership Assembly and gave a much-appreciated lecture.
- At the FIP Congress in Glasgow IPS was the main organizer for three extremely well-attended sessions; "Breaking down barriers to patient access - how to bring stakeholders together?", "Strategies to improve adherence – technology needs communication", and "Industrial insights 2018"
- The "Industrial insights 2018" attracted a record number of registered participants, 130! During this full day session young pharmacists are provided with insights into the complexity of developing new medicines and into the many important and different roles pharmacists can play in the pharmaceutical, fully in line with BPP overall objective to promote the role and the value of the pharmacist in interprofessional teams.

Goals for 2019:

- Goal #1:
To actively contribute to maintain old and establishing new ways to interact between IPS Members and members of other Sections and SIGs
- Goal #2:
To elaborate a plan including strategies and objectives for 2019 - 2022
- Goal #3:
To finalize the important report "The Future of Pharmacists in Pharma Industry" as a means to identify in which areas pharmacists in the industry are currently working in different parts of the world, and the advantages pharmacists have in this area compared to other professionals