Regional Working Group Introduction

Step into EMRO's world
Since establishment in 1949, IPSF now represents more than 350,000 pharmacy students and recent graduates in 84 countries worldwide. IPSF is the leading international advocacy organisation of pharmacy students promoting improved public health through provision of information, education, networking, and a range of publication and professional activities.
Dear IPSF’ers,
It’s my great pleasure to write the editorial for the first issue of IPSF EMRO newsletter for the term, and the sixth for the office. In this newsletter are information on the new regional working group, as we hope you will get a glimpse of the new team, as well as it contains a welcome letter for the new associations that have joined the EMRO family this year. Enjoy reading, and keep your love and support for EMRO.

Yours.
Essra Noureldin
Internal Coordinator & Communication Officer 2012-2013
Established in August 2008, after being approved during The 54th IPSF World Congress in Romania, our EMRO office is managed by the Regional Working Group (RWG), who are pharmacy students and recent graduates from the Eastern Mediterranean region.

The establishment of the IPSF EMRO gave us the opportunity to expand the IPSF worldwide activities to reach pharmacy students in the Eastern Mediterranean Region and give them the chance to explore and enjoy IPSF spirit.
Welcome Letter

It’s a great privilege to congratulate our new stars who have joined the EMRO galaxy this year. PhACT, (Pharmacist with An Impact), Saudi Arabia, and PPSF (Palestinian Pharmaceutical Students’ Federation), Palestine.

In behalf of the whole EMRO family, we extend our warm wishes to the new associations and wish them a remarkable IPSF experience! Let us work together, as we believe that each association can contribute immensely to the EMRO growth and prosperity as we pursue the dream to be one of the most active and vivid regions in IPSF.

Sincerely..

IPSF EMRO RWG
Hello,

My name is Anas Siddig writing from Khartoum, Sudan. I have recently graduated from the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Khartoum. I have had the pleasure of working in the Faculty of Pharmacy Students Association (FPSA) as the head of the FPSA twentieth council for 3 months while I was (and currently still am) participating in most of our association programs. I was the FPSA Contact Person for two years (2010 & 2009) and official delegate at the IPSF 57th World Congress in HatYai, Thailand, as well as the 2nd EMPS Doha, Qatar. I was also the Chairperson of the 3rd Eastern Mediterranean Pharmaceutical Symposium (EMPS) 2012 Reception Committee Khartoum, Sudan. Our Regional office has been growing well since its establishment 4 years ago (2008) and it will reach its maximum peak of growing this year; if we worked as one heart, one model for IPSF EMRO. I am very happy to work with such enthusiastic IPSF EMRO RWG because they do not just seem to, but are instead very promising. I consider them as best friends and family. Hope to meet most of you next summer in Alexandria, Egypt.

Sincerely,
Hey everyone,

I’m Yasmin Nasr Eldin a 20 years old Egyptian girl, studying in the fourth year Faculty of Clinical Pharmacy. My beginning with IPSF was when I was in my first year and attended the first EMPS in Amman, Jordan. It was the starting point to a world full of creativity and challenges. After I participated in all EPSF national and local events, I was one of the leaders among them and I participated in the 58th IPSF world congress held in Hurghada, Egypt. and I was one of the team that was responsible for the fund raising, and it was such a rewarding experience. This year it’s my honour to work in IPSF EMRO and now I’m planning to invest all my experience and skills in the office in which I will try hardly to motivate all RWG to make the difference as one team, one family and one hand. I know that this position will take hard efforts, time, responsibility and work for up to 6 hours daily but I like it more than I have ever imagined. In EMPS 2012 Khartoum, Sudan I promised that I will do my best to bring EMRO to the place it deserves to be, and I hope to make the difference. The goal is the foundation, the vision is the intelligence, the spirit is the secret and working on it is the success.

Viva la EMRO, Viva la IPSF...
Dear IPSFers and friends around the globe,

Ahmed AbdulGhaffar is a 21 year old male from Sudan. He presently studies at the University of Khartoum, Faculty of Pharmacy and is about to head for his 5th and last journey in his studies. During the 3rd EMPS in Sudan Regional Assembly he was designated as the EMRO Regional Relations Officer. Ahmed adores meeting new people and longing to expand his EMRO and IPSF families. His foremost IPSF experience was at the 3rd EMPS held by his association, FPSA in the beloved Sudan. During the previous term he was working under the regional relations subcommittee and was awarded a certificate for being the most active member at the Gala Night. He wanted to expand this lovely experience and continue to supply the region with the utmost of his efforts. He genuinely trusts in the cause of the IPSF, and is determined to improve and sustain the IPSF spirit in the region. With all those involved in this marvellous family, and working collectively hand in hand, the IPSF will unquestionably flourish.

P.S My name is Ahmed AbdulGhaffar :P
Greetings to All the Promising IPSF’ers the pharmacists of Tomorrow around the world,

This is Sarah Hagras, from Egypt, the Regional Project Officer 2012-2013. I have recently graduated from MSA university in Egypt which is validated by Greenwich University in United Kingdom, I am now working in Prince Sultan Cardiac Center (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia). I was a member in Egyptian Pharmaceutical students’ Federation for two consecutive years; I believe that the sky is not the limit. I believe that we can do the best this year for our office and our region so that we can spread our success including motivation all over the world. I will try to do my best this year by spreading the knowledge and awareness in our region. Cooperation, Creativity, Hope and Patience are very important factors to spread the success and applying it. I hope we can use our skills, knowledge and motivations correctly to serve our goals in applying our mission and vision.

BEST REGARDS,
Hello everyone,

My name is Essra Noureldin, a recent graduate from University of Khartoum, Sudan. I’m glad and most honored to serve this year as IPSF EMRO Internal coordinator and communication officer, and I can’t believe that two of the things that I’m most passionate about have met in one position, my passion and love for IPSF EMRO and my love for art and designing. I can say that my relationship with IPSF was a love at first sight, back when I participated in the 2nd IPSF EMPS held in Doha, Qatar 2011 and fell insistently with the spirit and the atmosphere. Then, I was lucky enough to be part of EMRO family by serving in two subcommittees, regional relations and promotional materials subcommittees, besides ending up by getting elected as ICCO in the last EMPS that was held in Khartoum, Sudan and participating in the 58th IPSF World Congress Hurghada, Egypt.

With such motivated team this year, we hope to bring you a new image of EMRO.

Yours in IPSF,
Essra
As much as it makes me extremely happy to be part of the IPSF EMRO family, it makes me feel that I have a huge responsibility that comes with such honor. I have been involved in the IPSF for three years as ASPSA contact person and this is my fourth year now. I was really amazed by IPSF and IPSF EMRO’s spirit and I always believed in their capability of gathering students and making the pharmacy career a better one. Being the chairperson of 4th IPSF EMPS gives me the chance to do something for IPSF and IPSF EMRO. With the help of my amazing and highly dedicated team, I hope we can create something that doesn’t just match your expectations, but an EMPS that sweeps you off your feet. I hope to see you all in Alexandria, Egypt in July 2013 and I also hope I won’t let you down

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