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Dear IMIA Council member

Please find attached 20 copies of the INVITE TO PARTECIPATION to the IMIA Working Conference on "Changes in Health Care Instrumentation due to microprocessor technology" to be held in Rome (Italy) next year.

As you may remember from the discussion during the last Council meeting in Paris the Call for Papers for the above W.C. does not reach its best diffusion and some Council member regret not having received it or not enough in number,

At the last meeting of the Organizing Committee held in Rome on August 10th, with the participation of IMIA Chairman (J. Roukens) and IMIA Italian delegate (A. Fernandez Perez de Talens), it has been noted that only a too small number of papers reached the Program Committee. Then it was accepted Roukens proposal for a delayed time scheduling.

The W.C. will be held on May 7-9 at the same place at the premises of the Istituto Superiore di Sanità in Rome, three months later of the announced data; consequently the Call for Papers is open again until January 15^f 1980, in order to obtain a larger resonance in the International Scientific Community and obtain that also this W.C. on microcomputers could be a success.

Microcomputers technology seems to be one of the main ways for the informatization of tomorrow's society; and this is true also in health applications.

We need to know to day how this way could be followed in next years.

Some general conferences on microcomputers have been already held. Some guidelines have been found and proposed. How they apply in the medical and health field is one of the purposes of the Conference.

In order the W.C. be a success it was also discussed how to directly contact the right people over each country and it was recalled that, as from last meeting minutes (pg.15), IMIA Council Members should get more involved with W.C. in order to provide such names and addresses.

Accordingly myself have been inserted in the Organizing Committee and you are kindly asked to make the W.C. known in your own country scientific community and, due to the lack of time, to directly contact those persons or teams that more deeply deal with micro-processor and their applications to health problems to obtain their active participation as speakers to the W.C.

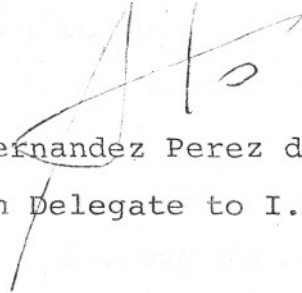
In order to avoid, as in the past P.O. misunderstanding and during the absence of the Program Committee Chairman Ing.Pinciroli -on leave at M.S.T. Room 20A-129 Cambridge Mass. 02139 USA until 1st of November- please send to the Organizing Committee Chairman Prof. Marco Frank - Istituto Superiore di Sanità- Laboratorio di Tecnologie Biomediche- Viale Regina Elena 299- Roma (Italy) a note about the reception of this letter and the names of contacted people in your own country.

Please consider also that Berne formula will apply to this conference in Rome and for a certain number of young scientists could apply for participation also without any involvement as authors. Your participation could be very effective in order the W.C.

could success. And the success of W.C. and other initiatives in these first years of IMIA are of importance for our organization. I hope that with your help this W.C? could became a success for IMIA.

I thank you for your collaboration to obtain a successfull Working Conference

. Yours sincerely



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