

June 29 1989

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Dear Dr. UaConaill:

RE: IMIA WG-1 -- Education

As you may know, on May 19, 1989 I inherited the chair of WG-1 from Dr. Roger Salamon, Department d'Informatique, Universite de Bordeaux II, Bordeaux, France.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank both Dr. Salamon and Dr. Francois Gremy for their leadership of WG-1 since its inception.

The recent IMIA International Symposium of Medical Informatics & Education, held in May 1989 was a resounding success. It significantly increased the awareness and the importance of a) introducing informatics into medical and health professional curricula, and b) preparing specialists in Medical Informatics. The 660 page Proceedings will further enhance the importance of the role of education in Medical Informatics to improve the quality of health care systems.

IMIA's WG-1 has been left with a challenge to build on the success of the Victoria Symposium, hence my reason for writing.

As your country's IMIA representative, I would appreciate it if you and/or your national organization would appoint a member to WG-1. The duties of the WG-1 member would be to participate in the planning of future WG-1 undertakings, assist in the preparation of working documents, and attend, where possible, WG-1 working meetings.

Your country's representative should, preferably,

1. be actively involved in teaching medical informatics to health professionals in a university or college setting,
2. have access to E-mail facilities, BITNET being preferred.

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The next major meeting of the Working Group 1 will be held September 3-7, 1990 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Planning meetings may be held in November 1989 at SCAMC in Washington and in May 1990 at AAMSI in San Francisco.

When your representative has been selected, I would appreciate knowing the person's:

Full Name (Dr., Prof., Mr., Mrs.)
Title (eg. Director)
Organization (eg. University of Victoria)
Department (eg. School of Health Information Science)
Full Mailing Address
Telephone # (home and business)
FAX #
E-Mail ID

Thank you in advance for your co-operation and assistance. I would appreciate hearing from you by September 15, 1989.

Yours sincerely,



Denis J. Protti
Chairman
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cc: S. Kaihara
President, IMIA

J. Hendriks
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October 31 1989

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Dear Dr. UaConaill:

RE: I.M.I.A. WG-1 - EDUCATION

This is a follow-up to my letter of June 29, 1989 inviting you to appoint a representative of Ireland to the I.M.I.A. working group on Education.

To date, 13 countries have appointed a representative. We would welcome having someone from Ireland join us.

The first informal meeting of WG-1 will take place at MEDINFO '89, on December 10-14 in Singapore. If you could FAX me your representative's name we will try to get him/her further information regarding the Singapore meeting.

The first formal meeting of WG-1 will take place at the Medical Informatics & Education Conference in Prague, September 3-7, 1990.

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Thank you in advance for your assistance. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,



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cc: S. Kaihara, IMIA President