

## **Report IMIA Newsletter**

The 1994/1995 editing period saw three editions in 1994 and so far one edition in 1995. The reason for the gap at the end of 1994/beginning of 1995 is the move of the managing editor and his technical staff from Marburg University to Goettingen University in Germany. At the same time the technical editor, Thomas Kleinoeder, passed his medical exams at the University of Marburg and also moved to the University of Goettingen. So, from June 1995 onwards the editorial team is reestablished at Goettingen. Instead of Doris Woersdorfer, Jutta Brinkkoetter will support the edition of the newsletters.

The edition of IMIA newsletters was very much supported by Jean Roberts, U.K., who wrote several articles and delivered rich integration material. However, every other impact has been meager as usual.

During the board meeting in Mexico, it was decided to focus the newsletter on short actual messages and to move all status reports and structural reports into the appropriate pages of the IMIA yearbook. The first edition in 1995 is following this new concept. We also have started with Thomas Kleinoeder to work on a different distribution system as more and more individuals are asking for the newsletter and we consider to have it available electronically in a kind of "permanent" version.

Regarding budgeting, the IMIA newsletters stay roughly in the limits given by the IMIA general assembly. Thanks to the treasurer and the publishing company, the technical process of mailing, printing, billing etc. could be kept rather flexible.

In 1994 and 1995, the editions of the IMIA newsletter including the special edition volume from 1993 have regularly been distributed to the political and technical staff of the telematics program of the European Union. It was well received. From that experience the editor of the IMIA newsletter recommends to set up a public relation program for IMIA including copies of the IMIA newsletter and the IMIA yearbook plus additional information leaflets for promotion of the international as well as the national societies. This work should be closely done in cooperation with the regional presidents so that they can profit from these activities in their home region.

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