

**2012 REPORT OF THE RSNA
COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND EDUCATION (CIRE)**

The Committee on International Relations and Education (CIRE) held its annual in-person meeting during the 2011 RSNA Annual Meeting. Reports were heard from each of the CIRE subcommittees responsible for the five programs overseen by the committee. The 2010 CIRE-sponsored Refresher Course, *Radiology Education in the Developing World* included presentations from Drs. Theresa McLoud, Spencer Gay and Jill Jacobs, and focused on the experiences of visiting physicians and radiologists to other countries. Also during RSNA 2011, the CIRE hosted the annual National Society Forum Breakfast. Attendees included presidents and/or representatives of societies from potential host countries for the International Visiting Professor (IVP) Program. Special presentations were given by Dr. Howard A. Rowley, representing the 2011 IVP team to the Myanmar, and Drs. Eric Stern and Michael Nelson, who gave presentations about their imaging outreach programs. Also in attendance were representatives from several international radiology societies and past participants of some of the CIRE Programs. Following the formal presentations, some of the 2011 IVP Hosts and Visiting Professors held preliminary planning meetings.

In 2012, IVP teams visited Nepal, Vietnam, Mexico and El Salvador (Table 1). The visit to Mexico was the fifth annual visit held in collaboration with the Mexican Society of Radiology and Imaging (SMRI). The Board approved the following as 2013 IVP destinations: Tunisia, Russia, Kenya, and Mexico. The 2013 Mexican IVP Program will be held in collaboration with the Federación Mexicana de Radiología e Imagen (FMRI). The Committee is extremely grateful to Agfa Healthcare and Fujifilm Medical Systems, whose endowments help to support the RSNA International Visiting Professor Program.

The 2011-12 RSNA Derek Harwood-Nash Fellows were Drs. Claudio Silva of Chile and Dechen Nidup of Bhutan. Dr. Silva completed his fellowship at Duke University, and Dr. Nidup completed her fellowship at Washington University in St. Louis. The Committee would like to express its gratitude to the faculty and staff of the host departments for their support of this program. The Board approved the appointments of Drs. Celeste Amabel Garcia de Rodriguez of El Salvador, Nicolas Maza Tousaint of Venezuela, and Nasreen Mahomed of South Africa, as the 2012-13 RSNA Derek Harwood-Nash International Fellows, who will be spending their fellowship periods at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, University of California San Diego (UCSD), and Children's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, respectively.

Seventeen young physicians were selected from a total of sixty-nine applicants for the Introduction to Research for International Young Academics Program to be held during the 2012 RSNA Scientific Assembly and Annual Meeting (Table 2). In addition, both SMRI and FMRI designated a participant identified by independent selection processes. This program is closely connected to the RSNA Introduction to Academic Radiology Program for second-year radiology residents, with approximately 60% of the programming in joint sessions.

The Committee awarded gratis subscriptions to *Radiology* and/or *RadioGraphics*, to fourteen institutions in thirteen countries through the CIRE Education Materials and Journal Award Program. Donations of RSNA Education Materials were made available to the satellite institutions associated with the IVP Program teaching institutions.

On behalf of the CIRE, I would like to thank the RSNA Board of Directors and the Society's members for their continued support. Through this support, the Committee continues to offer assistance in enhancing radiology education in countries with comparatively limited resources, and to influence radiology education worldwide.

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Chair, Committee on International Relations and Education

Table 1

<u>RSNA International Visiting Professors 2012</u>	
<p><u>To Nepal:</u> <i>Kambiz Motamedi, MD</i> David Geffen School of Medicine/UCLA Los Angeles, CA</p> <p><i>Anne C. Roberts, MD</i> UCSD Thornton Hospital La Jolla, CA</p> <p><i>Young H. Kim, MD</i> University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center Worcester, MA</p>	<p><u>To Vietnam:</u> <i>Huong T. Le Petross, MD</i> MD Anderson Cancer Center Houston, Texas</p> <p><i>Eric Stern, MD</i> University of Washington Medical Center Seattle, Washington</p>
<p><u>To Mexico - SMRI:</u> <i>Jorge A. Soto, MD</i> Boston University Medical Center Boston, MA</p> <p><i>George A. Taylor, MD</i> Children's Hospital, Boston Boston, MA</p>	<p><u>To El Salvador:</u> <i>Theodore J. Dubinsky, MD</i> University of Washington School of Medicine Seattle, WA</p> <p><i>Ali Guermazi, MD (Musculoskeletal)</i> Boston University Medical Center Boston, MA</p> <p><i>Carlos H. Torres, MD (Neuroradiology)</i> University of Ottawa, The Ottawa Hospital Ottawa, Ontario, Canada</p>

Table 2

2012 International Young Academics	Country
Francesco Agnello	Italy
Paula Alcaide-Leon	Spain
Gustavo Cervantes	Brazil
Gabrielle Colleran	Ireland
Gregory Compton	Australia
Bas Jasperse	Netherlands
Carolina Kachramanoglou	UK
Won Hwa Kim	South Korea
Taha Mehemed	Japan
Anvita Pauranik	India
Caecilia Reiner	Switzerland
Marija Kaminskiene	Lithuania
Liliana Prata Souza	Brazil
Stanislav Leonidovich Trofimov	Russian Federation
Jonathan Weir-McCall	UK--Scotland
Dolores Oyosa Núñez	Mexico (FMRI)
Ricardo Becerra Ulloa	Mexico (SMRI)