



International Society for Violence and Injury Prevention ISVIP

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Rationale

Over the years the need for an international body representing the field of injury prevention and control has emerged. While WHO is playing that role to a certain extent, it remains a Secretariat of Governments. At this stage however, no international NGO covering the full spectrum of injury and violence prevention exists.

Recognizing these needs, the International Organizing Committee (IOC) - which is currently composed of past organizers of the World Conferences - proposed the establishment of ISVIP.

This concept was discussed with many partners, including in two well attended business meetings held at the 7th World Conference in Vienna in 2004. As a result it was decided to carry the idea forward and a call for candidates interested in becoming members of an Interim Steering Committee was placed on World Health Organization's (WHO) website.

Geneva 2005



- ISVIP was created in 2006.
- It is a not for profit international nongovernmental organization
- ISVIP brings together scientific and civil society constituencies for the prevention of intentional as well as unintentional injury.

Mission

ISVIP is dedicated to establishing global commitment to violence and injury prevention through advocacy, information exchange and public policy action and consequently by enhancing injury research and prevention capacity.

The goals of ISVIP

- *Advocate for increasing investment* at national and international level.
- *Advance injury prevention policy* by providing a mechanism through which nongovernmental and civil society injury control organizations can work effectively with national and international health agencies
- Together with other partners, *contribute to the organization of scientific conferences and meetings*, particularly the World Conferences
- *Promote safety* world-wide by facilitating collaborative efforts and partnerships among members
- *Promote capacity development* for injury and violence research and prevention

Membership value of ISVIP

- Advocacy at an international level for increased investments in injury and violence prevention
- Expanding the network of professionals and professional bodies in this field (capacity building)
- Actions and projects initiated in an international perspective for injury prevention and safety promotion (collaborative projects)
- Preparation of international conferences and events such as the World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion
- Members will receive regular reports (bulletin/newsletter) on latest news in the field and will be entitled to reduced fees for conference registration and publications.

Membership

- Individual membership is open for anyone with interest in injury research and prevention.
- Institutional membership is open for organizations that possess the status as a not for profit or public organization and that have recognition as a centre of expertise in at least one of the main thematic fields of injury research and prevention.

The Constitution indicates that the Board of Directors shall serve four-year terms, in a staggered fashion, so that approximately half of the Board complete their terms each two years and a corresponding new half of Board members is elected at that time.

Members of the Present board

- **Leif Svanström**
- **Maria Isabel Gutierrez M.**
- **Yousif Rahim**
- **Francesco Zambon**
- **Carmen Clavel- Arcas**
- **Lois A. Fingerhut (CDC
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- **Alireza Ahmadi**
- **Thuthukile Goba**
- **Simon Bokongo Lokofo Kawayo.**
- **Rajam Krishnan**
- **Geeta A. Kurhade**
- **John Langley**
- **Dinesh Mohan**
- **Wim Rogmans**
- **Babatunde Solagberu**

BALLOT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR INJURY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION
(ISVIP)

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- Subhi Badarni
Sakhnin City, Israel
- Anuradha Bose
Vellore, India
- Caroline Finch
Ballarat, Australia
- Wahid Al-Kharusi
Muscat, Oman
- Alireza Moghisi
Tehran, Iran
- Wilson Odero
Eldoret, Kenya
- Jairo Osorno
Cali, Colombia
- Eleni Petridou
Athens, Greece
- Maria Segui-Gomez
Pamplona, Spain
- Mathew Varghese
Delhi, India

Assembly....

Monday March 17, 2008 16:00 – 18:00

- **ISVIP Assembly**
 - **Objectives:**
 - **To review the last two years performance.**
 - **To present the report from the auditors of finances- with recommendations to the Assembly.**
 - **Election Committees presentation of candidates for new Board.**
 - **Election of members and officers.**

Who should attend: All members of ISVIP including attendees of the World Conference.

Venue: (Duration: 120 minutes; Expected participants: 300)

Izamal Room

<http://www.isvip.org>