



President's Update from David Brettle

The importance of partnerships was a clear theme in our members' strategy meeting last month, and it's been keeping me busy this month! I've had very productive talks with the President of the Academy for Healthcare Science, a great meeting with the National School, and a really interesting conference with the Science Council, looking at their new strategy for the future.

Meanwhile there are fascinating ideas around about the future of Professional Engineering Institutions, that

our VP – Engineering brought to the Trustees in January. This is a great time for us to be crafting our new strategy for IPEM – I hope you'll join me on one of my President's **teleconferences** to talk about this (dates to follow soon)!

MPEC Manchester 2016 News: Last Chance to submit an abstract, deadline 4 March 2016

This event is a great opportunity to present your work to around 200 members and non-members, covering all aspects of physics and engineering in medicine. Please note there will be a second call for abstracts but for trainees and work in progress only so this is your only chance to present work at this event. [Click here for more information and to submit an abstract.](#)



Registration opens soon for MPEC 2016 including FREE Members Day!

MPEC 2016 starts with the first ever FREE IPEM Members day on 12 September followed by two full days of scientific content including the Biennial Radiotherapy Conference. Registration will open on the IPEM website on 14th March and there are a limited number of free places available – [book early to avoid disappointment.](#) We look forward to seeing you in Manchester!

How IPEM is working for you

New guidance on remote working at Fairmount House

The National Office has produced detailed guidance on the use of IPEM's teleconferencing, web meeting and new video-conferencing services. The guidance, which explains which service is best for which kind of meeting, what equipment and (in some cases) software is needed, and how to get the best out of using it, will be sent to all committee chairs and will also be available to all members on the website.

We know that not all meetings are suitable for such methods, and sometimes face-to-face is the only way – but at other times these options will save members hours of travelling, and the need to take a day out of work to attend IPEM meetings.

Priority places for IPEM members in Science Media Training workshop

University of Manchester 8 April 2016. This full day event is **free** and for early career researchers and scientists in all sciences, engineering and

IPEM Latest

[IPEM and ART sign Memorandum of Understanding](#)

[Meet our "I'm a scientist get me out of here" medical physics panel](#)

[IPEM celebrates 60 years of PMB with an Anniversary Symposium on 30 June 2016. The event at Imperial College is free to attend for IPEM members](#)

Trainee News

[Trainees and students at MPEC and Bursaries](#)

[Call for content from PTP Trainees and students](#)

[Get involved! Design a mug competition](#)

Conferences

[Workshop on MRI-guided radiotherapy, 3 March, Sheffield](#)

[Assessment of non-laser optical radiation workshop, 4 March, London](#)

[Fetal, Neonatal and Paediatric MR Imaging, 7 April, Leeds](#)

[more 2016 conferences](#)

External events & activities

[Medical Imaging and Interventions:](#)

medicine (PhD students, post-docs or equivalent in first job). [Please find further information here](#). When applying state IPEM membership to have access to the priority places

Free access to IPEM journals

ICYMI: All 3 IPEM journals are available free for IPEM members. PM and PMB since January 2015 and MEP since August 2015. You need to log in and follow the links on our [journals webpage](#). (The content and link change on the page when you log in)



Workforce Intelligence Unit

A survey is currently open into PET/CT activity, in order to assist the NMSIG in responding to the widespread roll-out of the new procurement process in England. The survey is not too long to complete so please participate even if your organisation does not have a PET/CT service, as the Workforce Intelligence Unit (WIU) at IPEM is planning a Nuclear Medicine Physics Workforce survey in 2016 and responses will ensure we contact the most appropriate person in future.

[The survey can be found here](#) and should take around 10-15 minutes to complete, or considerably less if you have no PET/CT service.

A map of rehabilitation engineering workforce data and disability prevalence around the UK is now available on the [Workforce Intelligence Unit pages in the member's area](#). (Rehabilitation Engineering Resources). The final report will be available very soon.

A similar map of the radiotherapy workforce, population and cancer incidence is also available on the same webpages. (Radiotherapy Physics Resources)

Opportunities

Expert witnesses

IPEM sometimes receives requests from solicitors seeking to contact members who are willing to act as an 'expert witness' when there is a civil claim for negligence made by or on behalf of a client. The solicitors may be acting for a defendant (eg Trust or Health Board) or for the plaintiff.

We would like to put together an 'expert witness' register that solicitors can directly refer to – please note that in taking up such work, you would of necessity be doing so independently of IPEM. However, it may be possible to bring such members together in an informal network for mutual learning and support.

Please let us know if you have experience of acting as an 'expert witness' by e-mailing marie@ipem.ac.uk with your name, and the speciality or modality you have provided an 'expert witness' opinion on.

Interested in Education and Training for technologists?

We are looking for clinical technologists from different specialisms to contribute to the Clinical Technologists Education and Training Panel. If you want to contribute please email marie@ipem.ac.uk

engineering a better look at cancer . This Young Researchers' Futures Meeting (YRFM) is now open. Deadline for applications: 31 March 2016.

10 funded studentships for Masters of Clinical Research MRes (Clin)

ECMP Congress, 1-4 September, Athens

UKRC, 6-8 June and UKRO, 6-7 June, Liverpool

Five £15,000 L'Oréal-UNESCO Women in Science Fellowships for outstanding female post-doctoral scientists. Deadline: 11 March 2016

International Women's Day 8 March 2016

IPEM Journals Pick of the Month

Physiological Measurement

[Multiple breath washout analysis in infants: quality assessment and recommendations for improvement](#)

Physics in Medicine and Biology

[Motion correction in MRI of the brain](#)

Medical Engineering and Physics

[Editor's Choice](#)



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Free Management Training Resources for Members