



Australia Chapter Annual Report 2010

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Background:

The Australia Chapter was established in May 2008. The Chapter has 25 members.

Office bearers (2010-11):

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I. Activities of the Chapter can be summarized as follows:

1. Academic activities:

- Meeting held with members to develop themes for workshops and gauge interest.

2. Scientific/Educational Activities:

- Attendance at ISPOR 16th Annual International Meeting, Atlanta, May 2010 including the Asia Consortium meeting.
- Large contingent of members representing the Australia Chapter at ISPOR 4th Asia-Pacific Conference, Phuket, September 2010

3. Constitutional activities:

- Election of committee and constitution ratified. Most legal issues for the establishment of the Chapter are now finalised, including the Constitution, indemnity, status of the organization, rules, intellectual property and the development and use of a logo.
- Registration of the Chapter was rejected by the Queensland Government Department of Trade and Industry. They require all office bearers to reside in Queensland. We had followed the advice of the Queensland legal team contracted by Griffith University, but this was inadequate.
- Management Committee appointed the current Secretary as the Public Officer for the purposes of incorporation in New South Wales. We have now lodged an application for registration of the Chapter with the New South Wales government where one person (and not necessarily an office bearer) must reside in that State.
- Outstanding matters are registration of the society as a not-for-profit organisation (awaiting approval) after which an Australian Business Number will be sought for “trading” to commence.

4. Membership Development: Attendance and promotion of the Australia Chapter at the:

- ISPOR 16th Annual International Meeting, Atlanta, May 2010
- ISPOR 4th Asia-Pacific Conference, Phuket, September 2010

II. Upcoming Activities of 2011:

1. Management Committee meetings planned for the end of January, April, July, and October (dates to be confirmed).
2. Dates for a workshop and/or seminars to be discussed at the January meeting.
3. Annual general meeting planned for June 2011.
4. Attendance at the ISPOR conferences in Baltimore (May 2010) and Madrid (November 2010) are planned.