



Regional Chapter Annual Report - 2015

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# Members	54
Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Scientific and Educational activities.	Repetition of the course held in 2014 (enlarged edition) coordinated by Andrea Manca, PhD, CHE, University of York on transferability of data.
Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Policy-related activities.	
Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Chapter meetings or conferences.	The Portuguese participation in the 18th European Congress in Milan was the largest ever in a ISPOR meeting, even larger than in Amsterdam. The chapter proposed a forum on Budget Restrictions Following the Economic Crisis which included presentations from representatives of Greece, Italy, Portugal and Spain ISPOR Regional Chapters. Over 120 people attended. There were 51 poster presentations, not counting those authored by Portuguese working abroad. Finally, more than 50 people attended the face-to-face meeting for the Chapter. Executive Committee members provided information on the activities developed in 2015 and those to be developed in 2016.



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Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to membership engagement.

In compliance with the by-laws, a general meeting was held in March where the Executive Committee's report and the Chapter's account were approved. 30 members attended.

Is your Chapter affiliated with any institutions, universities, government or associations (other than ISPOR)? If yes, please list and describe the nature of these affiliations(s).

No

Does your Chapter collect membership dues or fees from individuals for local Chapter membership? If yes, how much are the dues?

Yes
\$20 USD

How many ISPOR International members (paying dues to ISPOR Headquarters) does your Chapter have? Provide an estimate if you do not have an exact count.

45

Does your Chapter have any agreements or sponsorship arrangements with any for-profit companies, governments, health authorities or associations? If yes, please describe.

Yes
Educational activities are sponsored. However payments are strictly assigned to specific activities.

Does your Chapter employ paid administrative or management staff (Association Management Company, contracted staff)?

Yes

Other than the page for your Chapter on the ISPOR website, does your Chapter maintain a website?

No

When did your Chapter last update the ISPOR Chapter Constitution?

We have never updated the ISPOR Chapter Constitution.

Has your Chapter (as a group, not as individual members) submitted formal comments or responses to any government or health authority in 2014 or 2015? If yes, what was the topic or issue?

No

Does your Chapter (as a group, not as individual members) interact in some way with the HTA or other official guidelines in your country? If yes, please name guideline(s) and describe.

Yes

Members participated actively in the fora held by INFARMED (the Portuguese regulatory agency for HTA). These fora/committees were set up to provide advice on methodological and organizational issues to build the National System of HTA, last year. Members of the chapter coordinated the committees on economic evaluation of devices and on post-marketing assessment.



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Does your Chapter have any committees or special interest groups? Please indicate and briefly describe.

No

Academia %

8

Government/HTA Agency %

0

Industry %

34

Consulting %

7

Clinicians %

1

Student %

0

Other %

4

What benefits does your Chapter offers to its members?

In 2015, a discount in the fee of the educational initiative. Benefits will increase with the growth of the Chapter's activity.

What are the most significant achievements of your Chapter in 2015?

The forum and the face to face meeting held in the Milan congress where the initiatives for 2016 were drawn.

What are the greatest challenges facing your Chapter?

Increase the participation of members in the Chapter's activities. Incentivise and support members initiatives.

How does your Chapter fulfill ISPOR's mission to promote health economics and outcomes research excellence to improve decision making for health globally? Describe how it supports the development and promotion of the discipline of health economics and outcomes research in your region.

Members have been quite active (individually and not as Chapter members) in the field. A Post-Graduation Programme is being run bi-annually at ISEG - Lisbon School of Economics & Management since 1998 (9th edition just finished) and we've been quite active collaborating in the setup of the foundations of the National System of HTA - SiNATS. A few members have been invited to join the Commission for HTA, the organ that coordinates the technical issues of SiNATS.

How can the ISPOR organization as a whole (Staff, Board, Consortia, Networks, etc.) better support your Chapter?

By organising in Lisbon the European Congress of ISPOR.

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