



## Regional Chapter Annual Report - 2015

**Chapter**  
**Region**

Saudi Arabia  
West Asia

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**# Members**

195

**Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Scientific and Educational activities.**

The chapter has participated in -Arabic Network Forum on Performance Based Risk Sharing Agreements in the Arabic Countries during ISPOR Annual meeting held on Philadelphia, USA. - A workshop on health economics held on Dubai on March, 2014. - A conference on Pharmacy, organized Armed Forces Hospital in Southern Saudi Arabia. - Research Publication on Pharmaceutical Pricing in the Middle East. - a Workshop on Pharmacoeconomics organized by American University in Beirut, Lebanon on the occasion of inauguration of Lebanon ISPOR Regional Chapter. - Completion of the review of the Arabic ISPOR BOT.

**Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Policy-related activities.**

A national working group was developed to develop national submission guidelines. Three international experts were invited to participate with local experts in developing the national guidelines. The first business meeting between international experts and local experts originally scheduled on December 6, 2015 was moved to March 30th 2016.

**Describe your Chapter's accomplishments for 2015 with regard to Chapter meetings or conferences.**

- Participated in the Arabic Speaking Countries Forum during ISPOR Annual meeting held on May 2015 in Philadelphia, USA.

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

ISPOR Saudi Arabia Chapter members are around 200 members.

**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).**

Yes

Ministry of National Guard Health Affairs and King Saud Bin Abdulaziz University



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

No

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.

40

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

No

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

No

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?

In the last 5 years.

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

currently involved in a national working group for the development of national guidelines

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

Yes

Executive committee

Academia %

25

Government/HTA Agency %

50

Industry %

25

Consulting %

Clinicians %

35

Student %

Other %

What benefits does your Chapter offers to its members?

educational benefits

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

Formation of a national working group for developing a national guidelines



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**What are the greatest challenges facing your Chapter?**

Lack of knowledge and interest in HEOR. However, recently more and more clinicians and decision-makers became aware of the HEOR field .

**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.**

Through organizing workshops and conferences promoting HEOR and through engaging decision-makers in the chapter's activities.

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

Supporting the organization of ISPOR Arabic Network's Annual Conference.

**Please indicate who prepared this report, include title, phone, email.**

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