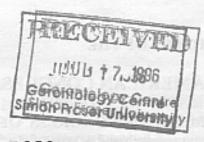
NEWSLETTER

of the INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY





SUMMER, 1996

FROM THE PRESIDENT:



The Newsletter of the International Association of Gerontology presents a good opportunity to give a brief summary about the activity of the President of the IAG over the past years. My main ambition as President concentrated on two directions: (i) to get acquainted with activities of the National and Regional Associations and to encourage them and (ii) to build up close relation with the United Nations and the non governmental organizations in consultative status with it. Accordingly, I took part at the Programme Committee Meeting preparing the World Congress of Gerontology (February, 1995, Sao Paulo, Brazil), the 3rd European Congress of Gerontology (March, 1995, Amsterdam) and the Fourth International Congress of Physical Activity, Aging and Sports (February, 1996, Heidelberg, Germany). I was present at the meeting of the Presidents of National Geriatric and Gerontological Societies of IAG European Region (March, 1996, Parma, Italy).

As President of the IAG I received invitations and was present to greet the following congresses: Congress of the Clinical Section of the European Region of IAG (June, 1994, Florence, Italy); Pan-American Congress of Gerontology (February, 1995, Sao Paulo, Brazil); 2nd European Congress on Geriatric Treatment (May, 1995, Catania, Italy); 3rd European Congress of Gerontology (August, 1995, Amsterdam, Holland); 5th Asia/Oceania Regional Congress of Gerontology (November, 1995, Hong Kong); shortly after that 2nd Congress of the Latin American Regional Committee of IAG and the Argentine Society of Gerontology and Geriatrics (November, 1995, Buenos Aires, Argentina). - I presented at the congress in Catania a review of "The Aging in the XXI. Century"; in Sao Paolo of "Past, Present and Future in Gerontology"; in Buenos Aires of "Minimum Requirement in Gerontology and Geriatrics" and of "Centenarians in Hungary". - As President of the IAG I received invitation as guest speaker to the Retirement Ceremony of Professor Hajime Orimo (March, 1995, Tokyo, Japan). The title of my presentation was "Centenarians in Studies of Aging". - I was present at the Sandoz Lectures in Gerontology held in March, 1994, Basle, Switzerland and presented the Sandoz Prize for Gerontological Research to Caleb E. Finch (August, 1995, Amsterdam, Holland).

Accomplishing our second goal to have a close relation with UN and its NGOs - as we did not find any documentation in the IAG files - we asked for confirmation that IAG does have an NGO consultant status at the UN. We received the confirmation and alternately the President and Secretary General took part at the conferences preparing the World Summit for Social Development, at the World Summit itself, on meetings discussing the NGO status in UN, the role of UN in the future.

To represent the International Association of Gerontology world-wide we required external financial assistance. For this I want to thank the Hungarian Association of Gerontology, the Gerontological Societies that served as my host, as well as government agencies and pharmaceutical companies.

FROM THE ORGANIZERS OF THE

PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS OF GERONTOLOGY

The First PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS OF GERONTOLOGY, with the main theme "Building bridges between research and practice for a healthy aging", was a meeting attended by 900 delegates, which came from the American continent as well as from Europe and Asia.

Simultaneous translation in three languages (Portuguese, English and Spanish), promoted easy communication and exchange of ideas among professionals in the field of aging, contributing thus for multiple perspectives in the many approaches to the topics discussed.

During three simultaneous sessions, with formats ranging from conferences to roundtables, many topics were discussed addressing the following issues: research policies and practices for healthy aging; impact of an aging population for public health; controversies in geriatrics; intergeneration relationships; technology and independence; long term care and its financing; family support groups; international experiences in epidemiology and aging; images of aging; biology of aging; evaluation and diagnosis of cognitive performance; therapeutic up-date and perspectives for Alzheimer's disease; immunology; antioxidants; maltreatment in old age; ethics and aging; aging and spiritual values; aging and environment; functional rehabilitation; psychogeriatrics issues; facing stress and healthy aging; instruments of research and analysis related to aging; aging and computer science; euthanasia; nutrition, community support; among others.

Other meetings were held which gathered participants with specific interests. An Interamerican Committee to fight for the protection of the elderly against maltreatment was established. A major gala "Poster Session" was one of the highlight functions of this meeting, which provided an excellent opportunity for researchers to become acquainted with studies and projects being conducted in many countries.

The interaction between professionals of many diverse disciplines and nationalities combined efforts to work in specific fields, such as investigation in distinctive areas of interest, particularly those which took in consideration transcultural studies.

The emphasis given to the need to catch up with the spirit of the times as well as the demands of modernity and postmodernity was demonstrated by combined efforts related to the establishment of interchange networks and the analysis of core themes, such as aging and computer science. This theme not only had a major session allocated for its discussion during the congress, but an agreement was reached to set up an international information network which can update organizations' directories as well as a scientific data base on aging.

The consideration of aging as a universal and inevitable process of living beings, within historical achievements and contexts, recognized in its heterogenousness, respected in each individuality and in each socio-cultural scenario, provided the forum for a permanent thinking within the framework of this congress.

The Congress was held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, February 19-23, 1995. There were 828 participants, 288 delegates from abroad: Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba. England, Equador, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Scotland, Spain, Uruguay, USA, Venezuela.

FROM THE ORGANIZERS OF THE

LATIN AMERICAN REGIONAL CONGRESS

The 2nd LATIN AMERICAN REGIONAL CONGRESS of International Association of Gerontology took place at the Intercontinental Hotel in Buenos Aires, Argentina from November 26th to November 30th, 1996. More than 1600 people were registered and 81 invited speakers from Europe, Canada, United States, Australia have honored our Congress with their presence. On behalf of IAG we have been honored by the presence of its President Professor Dr. Edit Beregi, the Secretary General Dr. István Gergely and the Treasurer Dr. Tamás Fülöp.

The main topics were developed by means of 65 Round Tables, 20 Workshops, 17 Lectures, 10 Symposiums and 4 Seminars of Psychogeriatrics, Sexuality, Rehabilitation and New Technical Diagnosis. We had 155 papers and poster presentations over the main Gerontology topics. Three Awards have been established. Two for the best papers on Gerontology and Geriatrics and the IInd COMLAT Award for a paper on Abuse and Neglect.

Main topics: Socioeconomic and Legal Issues; Health Promotion; Geriatric Assessment; Epidemiology and Aging; Long-term Care, Day Care, Primary Care; Endocrine, Otorhinolaryngology, Ophthalmology Disorders; Neurological Disorders; Delirium; Nutrition; Rehabilitation; Behavior change in Elderly; Immunity and Immunization; Centenarians.



OPENING CEREMONY (from right to left): Miguel Angel Acanfora, Jorge Curutchet Ragusin, Ernesto Chalita, Gary Andrews, Gloria Gutman, Edit Beregi, Alvar Svanborg, Fernando Morales Martinez, Fernando Jimenez Herrero

From the Newsletter of the Asia/Oceania Region

ASIA/OCEANIA REGIONAL CONGRESS OF GERONTOLOGY

The 5th ASIA/OCEANIA REGIONAL CONGRESS of Gerontology was successfully held during 19-23 November, 1995 in Hong Kong. The conference was attended by 1100 delegates from all over the region and other countries outside the region, notably, the United States, Canada, United Kingdom and as far as Russia. More than 600 papers were presented. Thirty invited Symposia were supported by the organizing committee. Delegates also had a chance to look at the elderly care facilities in Hong Kong. It was a wonderful time for old and new friends to meet together in Hong Kong.

Total number of speakers: Invited symposium sessions: 40,		474
		speakers: 268;
Round Table Sessions:	15,	speakers: 40;
Oral Paper Sessions:	39,	speakers: 255;
Posters:	133.	

Attendants: Austria 1, Australia 89, Belgium 4, Canada 12, China 129, France 4, Finland 1, Germany 2, Hungary 2, Hong Kong 452, India 10, Indonesia 10, Israel 2, Japan 207, Korea 36, Malaysia 10, Ireland 1, New Zealand 11, Philippines 6, Poland 1, Portugal 2, Qatar 1, Romania 4, Russia 1, Singapore 12, Slovakia 1, Sweden 3, Switzerland 2, Taiwan 18, Thailand 13, UK 17, Ukraine 2, USA 26. - Total: 1092.



FROM EWALD W. BUSSE representing the IAG at the

CONSENSUS MEETING ON PSYCHIATRY OF THE ELDERLY

The geriatric section of the World Psychiatric Association and the World Health Organization convened a consensus meeting of representatives of twelve organizations concerned with psychogeriatrics. The meeting was held in Lausanne, Switzerland from February 5 through 7. The meeting was convened by **Professor Jean Wertheimer**, Service Universitaire de Psychogeriatrie, Hôpital de Prilly, CH-1008 Prilly, Lausanne, Switzerland.

The meeting was held to "promote awareness of mental health problems in older people to initiate our improved provision of service, to encourage teaching and research in the area" and considerable material was made available prior to the meeting for all of the participants. The IAG was represented by Ewald W.Busse, MD, past president of the IAG and a past chairman of the World Health Organization's scientific group for the psychogeriatrics. Dr. Nori Graham, president elect of Alzheimer's Disease International, served as secretary and was assisted by Professor Corneilius Katona of the UK. Professor Heinze Hafner of Mannheim, Germany was the moderator.

The consensus statement was developed by the group and included sections on definition, assessment, treatment, organization of services, training, and research. Copies of this consensus statement can be obtained from Professor Jean Wertheimer.

MEETING OF THE IAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN SAO PAULO ON FEBRUARY 18, 1995

(brief report on topics of general interest)

Present also as invited participants

M. A. Acanfora (invited by S. Bravo Williams)
H. Stähelin, President of the Sandoz Foundation for Gerontological Research
J. Dall, Coordinator on behalf of the IAG with Sandoz Foundation
(invited to the agenda "Sandoz Prize Format")

- J. Dall presented the new Sandoz Prize Format suggested by the Sandoz Foundation.
 The committee members raised a few questions to clarify certain parts of the suggested format.
 H. Stähelin and J. Dall answered all the questions. The responses were accepted by the committee members. The committee members recommended some alterations in the text. J. Dall, H. Stähelin and the committee members agreed that a new version should be elaborated.
- E. Beregi reminded the committee members that at the last council meeting in 1993 T. Hickey (GSA) had suggested establishing a permanent secretariat for the IAG. At the last executive committee meeting in Basle it was decided to make further steps in the direction of establishing a permanent secretariat. E. Beregi presented the proposal of the Swiss Gerontological Society containing also the costs of such a secretariat there. It was suggested by the committee that the council members should be informed about the proposal, after having investigated whether establishing a permanent secretariat is in agreement with the by-laws of the IAG.
- E. Beregi told the committee members that the IAG took part in the preparation of the UN documents for the "Summit on Social Development" held in March, 1995, in Copenhagen.
 I. Gergely gave a brief report on the work carried out during the preparatory meetings. First a draft declaration and action program were elaborated, later the suggested changes discussed and approved. These documents were introduced to the heads of states and governments in Copenhagen so as to be approved by the member states of the UN.
- G. Andrews gave a brief account on the preparatory work which had been carried out in Australia for the next World Congress. He presented the full schedule of the Congress together with those of the two satellite congresses in Singapore and Honolulu.

1999 has been designated by the United Nations as the International Year of the Elderly. The IAG must evidently participate in this important event. The committee members unanimously accepted I. Gergely's proposal according to which

THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE IAG ARE KINDLY ASKED TO ORGANIZE SATELLITE MEETINGS FOR SENIORS' ORGANIZATIONS LINKED TO THE REGIONAL CONGRESSES IN

1999 THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE ELDERLY

MEETING OF THE IAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN BUENOS AIRES ON NOVEMBER 29, 1995

(brief report on topics of general interest)

Excused: S. Bravo Williams (J. Gonzalez Aragon was present for him)

- E. Beregi summarized the Chinoin Pharmaceutical and Chemical Works' proposal for founding a new prize in collaboration with the IAG: the "Chinoin Young Investigator Award in Gerontology" (the proposal was previously supported by the committee members after having been informed in a letter). I. Gergely presented the results of the council ballot in writing: 42 of the possible 77 votes were received, all of them were yes. The committee members agreed in the text of the announcement of the Chinoin Award, discussed and in the end unanimously approved the composition of the Jury: President, President-Elect, Secretary General/Vice President, T. Franklin Williams (USA), G. Hofecker (Austria), J. Gonzalez Aragon (Mexico) and a representative of the Chinoin Works.
- I. Gergely gave account about the unsuccessful council ballot in writing concerning the previously proposed IAG permanent secretariat in Switzerland. Only 34 of the received 42 votes were definite yes: some council members raised further questions and/or suggested new versions. Under such circumstances the committee considered that the decision in this matter should be postponed.
- Gergely suggested that in accordance with the by-laws additional information should be asked from three new applicants for IAG membership. The committee members accepted this proposal.
- G. Andrews reported on the preparatory work in connection with the World Congress and the two satellite congresses in Singapore and Honolulu.

After having discussed the proposal for a new format of the Sandoz Prize again, the committee members agreed that no change is necessary until 1997 and it will be the new president's (G.Andrews') responsibility to sign a new agreement with the Sandoz Foundation.

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SANDOZ PRIZE

The eighth Sandoz Prize for Gerontological Research will be awarded at the 1977 World Congress in Adelaide. The Prize is awarded to individuals or teams who have made a significant research contribution in a particular area of gerontology or geriatrics, encouraged and trained younger research workers, or given impetus to progress in these fields in some other comparable way, e.g. through publication of textbooks and journal articles.

For further information contact the Secretary of the Sandoz Prize for Gerontological Research, Charles Studer, PO Box 4043, CH 4002, Basle, Switzerland or any Sandoz Pharma Company.

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Chinoin Pharmaceutical and Chemical Works Ltd. being deeply involved in research, development, manufacturing and marketing drugs that treat disorders of the old age, has decided to sponsor the "CHINOIN YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD IN GERONTOLOGY".

The Awards will be presented for the first time in 1997.

CHINOIN YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD IN GERONTOLOGY

Three awards will be distributed to recognize scientists under the age of 35 who present outstanding research papers in any field of gerontology at the 1997 World Congress of Gerontology in Adelaide, Australia. Total value of the awards will be 4,500 USD. Costs of travel to the Congress will be covered up to 2,000 USD per person. Candidates may nominate themselves by forwarding the full text (maximum three pages) of their original research paper. A short CV and a list of their related publications should be also included. Awards will be made by the Jury on the basis of scientific merit.

Only papers accepted for oral presentation by the Congress Program Planning Committee will be considered by the Jury. (The Jury will directly be notified by the Congress Program Planning Committee.) There is no special application form.

Applications should be sent to the IAG Secretariat at: Rökk Szilárd utca 13., Budapest 1085 or POB 45, Budapest 1428, Hungary not later than 30 November, 1996. Do not fax your application but, please ensure a fax number is included with contact details.

Notification of the Jury's decision will be mailed around the end of February 1997.

WORLD CONGRESS OF GERONTOLOGY

"Aging Beyond 2000 - One World One Future"

The 16th Congress of the International Association of Gerontology

The major international forum on ageing, the World Congress of Gerontology, will be held in Adelaide, South Australia next year.

From August 19th to 23rd, 1997, between 2,500 and 3,000 health professionals, educators, researchers, planners, managers and other experts in age-related fields will converge on Adelaide for the Congress. The United Nations, the World Health Organization and other leading agencies such as the National Institute on Ageing will be prominently represented in discussions and debates by key decision makers influencing future systems of care for the elderly.

President of the Congress, Adelaide-based gerontologist Professor Gary Andrews, said: "The Congress will consider at all levels the impact of ageing - a field which is throwing up profound challenges as life expectancy increases among general populations, while resources currently directed to proper care of the elderly are already severely stretched." Professor Andrews said that pre-Congress satellite meetings would be held in Honolulu (16th to 18th August) and Singapore (17th to 19th August), each expected to attract up to 800 delegates. Many of these would travel on to Adelaide for the major Congress. "The three Congress sites - Adelaide, Singapore and Honolulu - will also be linked in a three-hour international video-conference", Professor Andrews said. This will include the formal inauguration of the main Congress, a Plenary Scientific Symposium and the Sandoz Prize for Gerontological Research Awardee's Lecture.

Major themes for the World Congress will include the following:

- What is normal healthy ageing?
- · Ageing, family, culture and the community
- The new epidemics
- · Science, technology and ageing

Convenors of invited symposia will address a wide range of topics including the following selection:

Pain in the elderly: difficult management problems - New strategies for clinical management of ischaemic heart disease - Models for the provision of geriatric services: an international comparison - Sexuality and ageing - Issues in research on women's health and ageing - Cancer in the elderly - Nursing research on ageing - Healthy ageing - Biological basis of Alzheimer's Disease - Case management - International demographic trends in Active Life Expectancy - Longitudinal Studies of Ageing - Advanced care planning.

Registration Package and Call for Papers.

Please call the Congress Secretariat to register your interest and be placed on our mailing list.

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World Wide Web:http://cmetwww.cc.flinders.edu.au/congress/intro.html.

THE SANDOZ LECTURES

The Sandoz Lectures in Gerontology are an international forum for young scientists and leading gerontologists to meet and exchange their latest findings in gerontological research. These prestigious lectures have in the past been held only in Basle, Switzerland. In 1997 they will be an integral part of the Pre-Congress Satellite

IN SINGAPORE.

On the occasion the Sandoz Lectures in Gerontology also a poster session for young scientists will be organized.

Registration for the Singapore Satellite includes the Sandoz Lectures.

INTER-CONGRESS ON AGING

Theme: Role of the Family in the Care of the Elderly. Special Sub-Theme: Aging, Illness and Family

Care. Trivandrum, India, August 19-21, 1996

Contact: Dr.P.K.B.Nayar, Center for Gerontological Studies, Aswathi, Temple Road, Ulloor, Trivandrum 695 011, India, Fax: 91 471 448502.

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS (PAAS IV) "HEALTHY AGING, ACTIVITY AND SPORTS", Heidelberg, August 27-31, 1996

Congress Organizer: University of Heidelberg in collaboration with the Institute for Sports and Sports Science and the Institute of Gerontology in cooperation with the World Health Organization (WHO), the Center for the Study of Aging of Albany (New York, USA), the Council on Geriatric Cardiology (North Carolina, USA) and other international associations of gerontology and sports science.

Congress aims: The interdisciplinary and multisectoral congress on healthy aging, activity and sports is especially concerned with the transfer of scientific knowledge into practice, and how existing types of activities in different cultures can stimulate future research related to activity and exercise in older adults. The goal is to integrate aspects of healthy aging with an emphasis on health promotion, prevention and rehabilitation.

Participants: The congress is relevant for scientists of different disciplines, such as sports science, gerontology, medical science, psychology, sociology, education, ecology, public health, health promotion and other health-related disciplines - as well as for practitioners and administrators working in these fields.

Congress Fee: DM 560.-Further details are outlined in the Second Announcement, which on request will be sent to you free of charge by: Congress Office G. Conrad, Uissigheimer Str. 10, 97956 Gamburg, Germany,

Tel: 09348-1381, Fax: 09348-1360.

BUSSE RESEARCH AWARDS

Two awards (one social behavioral and one biomedical science) to recognize junior and/or mid career scientists with significant accomplishments in aging research will be presented at the 1997 World Congress in Adelaide. For further information about the awards as well as the nomination and selection process please contact:

Harvey Jay Cohen, MD, Jury Chair, Busse Research Awards, Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development, Box 3003, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC 27710 USA. Telephone: +1 919/660-7502, Fax: +1 919/684-8569. E-mail: ray00004@mc.duke.edu

PRIMER CONGRESO INTERNATIONAL DE GERONTOLOGOS Y GERIATRAS DE

LENGUA LATINA. September 8 to 11, 1996, Lima, Peru

Contact: Sociedad de Gerontologia y Geriatria del Peru, Av. Arequipa 2450, Of. 1407, Lince, Lima 14 - Peru, Tel.: + 51 14 42-0891, Fax: + 51 14 37-2851.

"OLD AGE IN A NEW AGE"

September 20-22, 1996, Liverpool, England,

British Society of Gerontology, contact by fax: Andrew Sixsmith, +44-151-794-5077.

AGED CARE AUSTRALIA, "THE CHALLENGES OF CHOICE AND CHANGE"

October 8-11, 1996, Brisbane, QLD, Australia Contact by fax: +61-7-3870-7972.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PRIORITIES IN HEALTH CARE

October 13-16, Stockholm, Sweden

Contact: Stockholm Convention Bureau, POB 6911, Stockholm, S-102-39 Sweden.

GERONTECHNOLOGY, SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

October 15-17, 1996, Helsinki, Finland

Contact: Ms. Annikki Korhonen, STAKES, POB 220, 00531

Tel.: 358/03967-2094, Fax: 358/03967-2054.

Canadian Association on Gerontology, 25th annual

SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING

October 17-20, 1996

Societal Trends and Choices: Implications for an Ageing Population

Québec Hilton Hotel, Québec City For further information, contact: CAG Conference Secretariat, 500-1306 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1Y 3B2 Telephone: (613) 728-9347, Fax: (613) 728-8913

THIRD CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY EUROPEAN REGION - CLINICAL SECTION

14-17 November, 1996, Makedonia Palace, Thessaloniki, Greece

Secretariat: ATHOS CITY CONGRESS, 5 Agias Sofias St., 546 23 Thessaloniki, Greece Tel.: + 3031 238 521. 264 150, Fax: + 3031 234 022.

FIRST MEETING OF PSYCHOGERIATRICS OF THE SOUTHERN CONE (SOUTHER) PART OF SOUTH AMERICA),

November 27, 28 and 29, 1996, Montevideo, Uruguay.

For further information please contact: Prof. Dr. Nelson Goldstein, Bvar. Espana 2678/302, 1130 Montevideo, Uruguay. Fax/phone: +598-2-708534 (please request fax tone).

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LONG TERM CARE CASE MANAGEMI San Diego, USA December 4-7, 1996

Information: Gloria Cavanaugh, Executive Director, American Society on Aging, 833 Market Street Suite 511, San Francisco, CA 94103-1824, USA, Tel.: 1 415 974-9600, Fax: 1 415 974-0300

ELIMINATING POVERTY IN OLD AGE

1996 United Nations International Year for the Eradication of Poverty

12-14 December, 1996, Valletta, Malta Information: International Institute on Aging, United Nations - Malta, 117 St. Paul Street, Valletta VLT 07, Malta. Telephone: (356) 243044/5/6, E-mail: UNC 962, Fax: (356) 230248.

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CARE HOUSING FOR THE AGING

June, 1997, Barcelona, Spain. Contact: International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing, 901 E St. NW, Washington, DC 20004-2037, USA, Tel.: 202/508-9479, Fax: 202/783-2255. Liliya Recalde by phone: (202) 508-9410, internet: rkonvick@spaceworks.com.

CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL PSYCHOGERIATRICS ASSOCIATION

August 17-22, 1977, Jerusalem, Israel

Contact: Conference Secretariat, 9th IPA Congress, P.O.Box 500006, Tel Aviv 61500, Israel Tel.: 972/3514-0014.

9TH LATIN-AMERICAN CONGRESS OF THE LATIN-AMERICAN FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES OF GERIATRICS AND GERONTOLOGY

November 1997, Montevideo, Uruguay

For further information please contact: Prof. Dr. Nelson Goldstein, Bvar. Espana 2678/302, 11300 Montevideo, Uruguay. Fax/phone: +598-2-708534 (please request fax tone).

MEETINGS OF THE SWISS SOCIETY OF GERONTOLOGY:

November 1, 1996, Bern. Meeting for the German speaking part. Theme: Rehabilitation in der Geriatrie - Chancen und Grenzen. Information: Dr.med.Ch.Chappuis, Chefarzt, Zentrum Geriatrie-Rehabilitation, Zieglerspital, Postfach, CH-3001 Bern.

November 14, 1996, St.Gallen. Workshop, Theme: Kommunikation mit aphatischen Menschen November 27/28, 1996, Basle. Meeting for the German speaking part. Theme is not fixed yet. Information: Dr.med.F.Huber, Habermarkweg 22, CH-4126, Bettingen.

November 5-7, 1997, Gwatt-Thun. Annual meeting of the Swiss Society of Gerontology together with the Swiss National Research Program 32 "Age" (Languages: German and French)

April 19-22, 1998, Geneva. CONGRES FRANCOPHONE DE GERONTOLOGIE All information about congresses, collaborations, upcoming events can be obtained by the

Permanent Secretariat (Mrs.Pia Graf-Vögeli) Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Gerontologie Zieglerspital, Postfach, CH-3001 Bern. Tel.: + 41 31 970 7798, Fax: + 41 31 971 0124.

MEETINGS OF THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY:

Autumn Meeting 1996: - Westminster: 3-4 October 1996 10-12 April 1997 Spring Meeting 1997: - York: 8-10 October 1997 Autumn Meeting 1997: - London:

Information: Richard Lynham, Administrative Director, British Geriatrics Society, 1 St. Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4LB, Tel.: + 44 171 935 4004, Fax: + 44 171 224 0454.

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