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Newsletter of the RTIRN¹

A network for the reduction of the global burden of road traffic injuries, particularly in low and middle income countries, through the promotion, conduct and utilization of research



Special Edition:

7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

Dear colleagues,

What a pleasure to circulate this newsletter at the 7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion in Vienna, where hopefully you will find a moment to:

- Read this newsletter
- Join us on June 9 for the special meeting hosted by RTIRN
- Decide to become a partner of the network by filling in and submitting the form (page 4)

We look forward to the partner of RTIRN playing a prominent role at the world conference and beyond.

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7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

The 7th World conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion starts on 6th of June 2004 in Vienna Austria. This Conference provides an international platform for professionals and organizations involved in all aspects of the prevention, control and research related to intentional and unintentional injury and safety



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promotion. It will attract a variety of stakeholders including researchers, politicians, physicians and public health professionals as well as representations of victim organizations. The objectives of the conference are:

1. Strengthen injury control as an integral part of national and international public health policies and programs, putting special stress on the overall themes Injury, Violence, Suicide and Disaster.
2. Exchange most recent scientific findings and practices in all fields of injury prevention and safety promotion.
3. Increase synergy and foster partnerships between professionals working in all levels of injury prevention and safety promotion.
4. Encourage outcome orientated research and improve the transfer to evidence based practice.
5. Highlight the current international injury prevention milestones and global campaigns, specifically in violence prevention, road safety and child safety.
6. Facilitate the participation of experts from low-income countries through scholarships.

The program of events has been finalized and can be downloaded at [safety2004 programme.zip](http://safety2004.programme.zip)
Further information on the conference can be obtained online at: <http://www.safety2004.info/>

RTIRN Scholarships

On the 7th of May 2004, the RTIRN Board received confirmation of funds that allowed for scholarships to support partners to attend the RTIRN meeting and the injury conference in Vienna from 6-10 June, 2004. Applications for scholarships were open only to colleagues from low and middle-income countries, including students currently living outside their country.

Over 30 applications were submitted and successful candidates were notified.

Congratulations to all and see you in Vienna!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

..... *RTIRN*

RTIRN will hold its Partners Meeting and satellite conference during the 7th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion, titled: Interventions for Road Traffic Injuries in Low Income Countries on Wednesday, June 9 2004, from 14:30 pm - 18:30 pm.

Conference objectives include:

- Disseminate results of pilot studies on intervention testing
- Discuss the technical considerations for intervention testing in low income settings
- Inform priorities for research on interventions in low income countries

For more information, contact: Kristina McDaid at kmcdaid@iih.usyd.edu.au

..... **ISCAIP**

The International Society for Child and Adolescent Injury Prevention (ISCAIP) will be hosting the 6th ISCAIP conference on childhood injury and global health on Saturday, 5th of June 2004 between 8.30 and 18.00. The conference will precede the World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion. It will take place at the Austrian Convention Center, Hall L, Vienna, Austria.

The sessions will discuss childhood injuries in the developing world, with a focus on the burden of disease, poverty and inequity issues as well as early intervention efforts. Childhood injuries in European continent will also be addressed and this session will be co-hosted with the European Child Safety Alliance.

There will be a business meeting exclusively for ISCAIP members only following the sessions. Further information contact: a.seay@btopenworld.com.

..... **IPIFA**

The Injury Prevention Initiative For Africa (IPIFA) will hold a working meeting on Monday, the 7th of June 2004 at the Austria Center, Vienna, during the Safety 2004 conference. For more information please contact: Ronald Lett via email at: lettcnis@yahoo.com or Wilson Odero at iphmu@africaonline.co.ke.

..... **The 5th International Conference, “Measuring the burden of injury”**

The 5th International conference, “Measuring the burden injury”, will take place as an associated to the 7th world injury conference from the 3-4th of June in Baden bei Wien, Austria. The conference objectives are:

- to promote the understanding, use and development of interdisciplinary health status and injury outcomes measures
- to provide a forum for injury scientists from around the world to discuss emerging issues in the measurement of injury outcomes
- to encourage a harmonized approach to injury outcomes research

It is jointly sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Transport Canada, and the National Institute for Occupational Health and Safety. Contact: Stephen Luchter at sluchter@earthlink.net



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