

EFRS News 1/2010 – March

European Congress of Radiology (ECR) – Vienna

By courtesy of the European Society of Radiology (ESR) who offered the EFRS a free booth and free congress registrations the board and executive officers promoted the Federation, exchanged information with many participants, established new contacts, attended scientific sessions and had formal and informal meetings with other organizations present in Vienna.

This year more than 1000 radiographers registered.



From 2012 the EFRS as well as the European officers of the ISRRT will be jointly involved in setting up

the ECR radiographer programme. For the scientific committee 2012 a joint nomination for the position of chair person of the radiographer committee had to be submitted to the ECR at short notice. Three names were put forward and the ECR has appointed Csaba Vandulek (president of the Hungarian radiographer society). Also for 2012 the EFRS/ISRRT will nominate candidate members for the scientific committee to be appointed by ECR. For the years to follow a procedure will be developed to guarantee the input of the EFRS members in these nominations.



The EFRS booth

No more MRI in Europe ?

The Alliance for MRI aims to safeguard the use of MRI through an EU-wide exemption for the medical use of MRI and related research from any exposure limit values set in the Physical Agents 2004/40/EC (EMF) Directive.

To support you can sign the petition at:

<http://petition.myesr.org>

Meetings during ECR



HENRE
the EFRS educational wing

On the 8th of March the **EFRS educational wing** held its first annual meeting, hosted by the FH Campus and chaired by Graciano Paulo.

19 member institutions were represented at this meeting. Until the EW meeting 2011 an interim management team has been appointed. This MT will prepare the EW budget estimate 2011 and other documents for the agenda of the EFRS AGM in Vilnius

As in 2009 EFRS met with the **ESR Board**, this time and from now on jointly with the ISRRT. The content of the agenda was focused on European matters, like new and reviewed European directives and guidelines and their consequences, staff shortages/surpluses and manpower planning. Where possible ESR and EFRS will cooperate in these European matters.

With regard to manpower planning for our profession there are no reliable statistics available at the European level and the EFRS plans to run a detailed survey to clarify the situation.

An informal meeting was held with the European officers of the **ISRRT**, the ISRRT president and the CEO to further explore cooperation possibilities in Europe and EFRS support for ISRRT activities at the World wide level.

The EFRS Board was invited to meet with the higher management of **BayerHealthCare**, introduced the Federation and its aims and activities and investigated sponsorship and setting up joint educational activities.

The **EFOMP** president (our neighbour booth) contacted us and this introduction will be followed up with regard to the development of radiation protection educational standards in Europe.