

Invitation to the 15th SIG Mobility In Between Meeting



“The use of clinical approaches including advanced technology systems for maximizing the effect of rehabilitation on mobility and function”
Milan, Italy

Dear colleagues and friends, with interest in MS mobility and function issues.

We are pleased to announce the upcoming SIG Mobility and SIG Occupation meeting of RIMS that will be held in Milan on Friday November 9th and Saturday November 10th 2012, hosted by the Don Gnocchi Foundation.

This meeting intends to provide a platform to discuss the scientific and clinical questions related to evaluation, rehabilitation approaches and the emerging field of technology applied to rehabilitation of mobility and function in Multiple Sclerosis. This fills a need in the MS community that has not been adequately addressed and will accelerate progress in improving rehabilitation for individuals with MS. The goals of this program are two-fold, first to bring together current leaders in the field of rehabilitation and evaluation in MS, and second, to promote discussion and address critical issues for the development of new research and clinical applications in this field.

The target participants for this meeting includes neurologists, physiatrists, physical therapists, occupational therapists and other health care professionals who treat people with MS.

Broadly, this two-day conference will be comprised of 3 sessions: the first covering clinical and technological approaches to rehabilitation of the Upper limb (Friday morning), a session that will include also SIG Occupation members; the second session will cover instrumented approaches in the evaluation and rehabilitation of gait and balance; and the third session will offer the opportunity to participants to present and discuss original studies concerning rehabilitation of mobility and function in MS.

Attached is a preliminary program agenda with confirmed speakers and meeting objectives.

The meeting is kindly sponsored by R.I.M.S. (Rehabilitation in Multiple Sclerosis) so RIMS members do not pay any registration fees, there is also a support in accommodation costs, one nights accommodation will be offered. Lunch Friday and all coffee breaks will be offered by local organizers and dinner Friday night will be offered.

We kindly ask you to complete the registration form before 28th of September if you are interested in participating.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to meeting you here in vivacious Milan to ponder on rehabilitation for MS and develop future collaborations!

Kind regards from local organizers,

Davide Cattaneo and Johanna Jonsdottir