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### Editor's Message

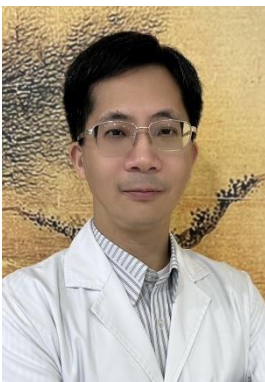
This issue of IFMBE News (No. 103) highlights key IFMBE activities around the World Congress on Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering (WC2025) and introduces the newly appointed Administrative Council (AC) members. Covering October 2025 to January 2026, it marks the formal launch of IFMBE's new term.

WC2025 served as both a major international event for the biomedical engineering community and a milestone for IFMBE, completing the transition to a new AC team. The updates presented in this issue reflect IFMBE's continued efforts in strengthening global collaboration, governance, and cross-regional engagement.

Building on the foundation established by previous Editors, IFMBE News remains a key communication and documentation platform, with this issue placing particular emphasis on introducing the new AC members.

Starting in 2026, IFMBE News will adopt a bi-monthly publication schedule with a consistent content structure, including Global MD News, IFMBE Activities, and updates on regulations, policy and new information, Regional contributions from affiliated societies and committee members, and Expert opinion pieces, to enhance timeliness, connectivity, and expert exchange.

We warmly invite member societies and partners to continue contributing to IFMBE News and to support IFMBE's ongoing growth and global impact.



Dr. Po-Yu Huang  
Editors, IFMBE News



Prof. Chengyu Liu

## IFMBE Express

### Welcome to the new President

IFMBE recently welcomed its new President, Prof. Kang-Ping Lin, during a formal inauguration, marking the beginning of a new chapter for the Federation. In his inaugural address, Prof. Lin reflected on IFMBE's long-standing mission while outlining key priorities for the coming term, emphasizing continuity, collaboration, and forward-looking development.

In his remarks, Prof. Lin expressed sincere appreciation to the outgoing leadership and members of the Administrative Council, acknowledging their dedication and contributions to IFMBE's growth. He noted that the Federation's current achievements are built upon the collective efforts of member societies and volunteers worldwide, and emphasized the importance of preserving this strong foundation while responding to the evolving needs of the global medical and biological engineering community.

Looking ahead, Prof. Lin outlined several strategic directions that will guide IFMBE's work in the coming years. These include advancing digital transformation to enhance communication and engagement across regions, strengthening professional development through high-quality academic and training activities, and fostering closer connections among member societies to



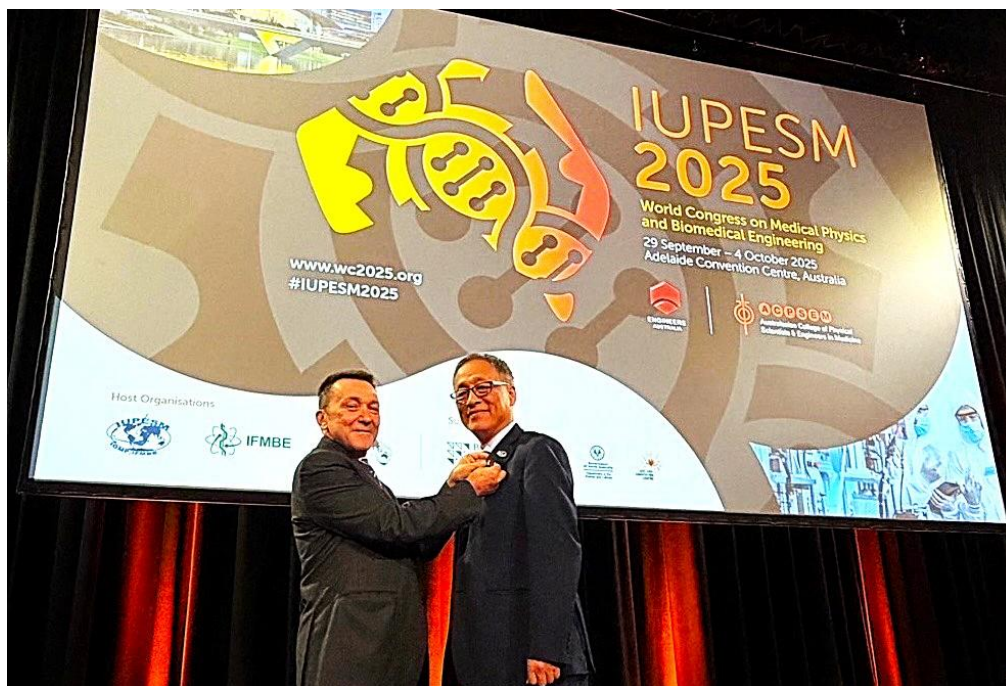
Prof. Kang-Ping Lin delivering his inaugural address

support a more cohesive and inclusive global community. He also highlighted the importance of reinforcing IFMBE's role in international dialogue and policy engagement, with the aim of increasing the Federation's visibility and impact at the global level.

In addition, the President noted the coming term would place strong emphasis on strengthening coordination across IFMBE committees, councils, and regional representatives. He highlighted the importance of clear governance structures, transparent communication, and effective collaboration mechanisms to ensure initiatives are aligned with the Federation's strategic goals. By reinforcing these internal linkages, IFMBE aims to enhance operational efficiency and better support the diverse needs of its global membership.

A central message of the address was the importance of shared responsibility and active participation. Prof. Lin emphasized that IFMBE's effectiveness depends not only on its leadership, but also on the engagement of its members and affiliated societies. By working together, he noted, IFMBE can continue to serve as a trusted global platform for collaboration and knowledge exchange in medical and biological engineering.

As IFMBE enters this new term (2025–2028), the Federation looks forward to continued cooperation across regions and disciplines, building on its strong international network. IFMBE News warmly welcomes Prof. Kang-Ping Lin as President and anticipates a period of sustained growth, strengthened collaboration, and meaningful global impact under his leadership.



Prof. Kang-Ping Lin, newly appointed President of IFMBE, during his inauguration at IUPESM 2025, marking a moment of continuity and new leadership for the Federation

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## IFMBE Express

### Report: meetings with WHO Medical Devices team and Executive Board EB158

By Marc Nyssen

On Thursday January 29th 2026, IFMBE President Kang-Ping Lin and IFMBE "Focal Point for WHO" Marc Nyssen met with Ms. Kyle Shae (team lead) and Ms. Keiko Fukuta, who are currently responsible for the actions on medical devices and health products at WHO.

After the recent WHO reform, the "medical devices" team was merged with the "assistive devices" team and Kyle Shae became the team leader.

Kyle Shae explained the new structure and priorities in medical devices, including assistive devices and assistive technologies such as tele-health in digital health.

Priorities include the update, extension and usage of the "Medevis" database (currently including 2700 products) as well as participation in the "Global Diagnostics Coalition", in which IFMBE is a founding member; she also will focus the team's actions on lower- and middle income countries' health systems.

President Kang-Ping Lin presented the structures of IFMBE and in what ways the Federation can assist the medical devices team at WHO: the focus of engineers' expertise in all aspects of medical devices: from the design phase, to evaluation and impact and maintenance, via the international competence, present in the three divisions of the Federation. He also mentioned the availability of on-line courses and organization of training sessions as well as webinars.



## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Croatian Association for Orthopedic Engineering (Orthoing)



The Croatian Association for Orthopedic Engineering “Orthoing” is a professional organization dedicated to advancing the field of orthopedic engineering and related biomedical technologies in Croatia. The society brings together experts from multidisciplinary backgrounds, including biomedical engineering, orthopedics, rehabilitation medicine, biomechanics, and medical device development.

Orthoing aims to promote research, education, and clinical applications in orthopedic engineering, with a strong emphasis on improving patient care and quality of life. Its core activities include fostering collaboration between engineers, clinicians, and industry partners, as well as supporting innovation in prosthetics, orthotics, implant design, and rehabilitation technologies.

The association is actively involved in organizing scientific meetings, workshops, and training programs to facilitate knowledge exchange and professional development. These events provide platforms for researchers and practitioners to present their latest findings, discuss emerging trends, and

explore new technologies in orthopedic and rehabilitation engineering.

In addition to academic and professional activities, Orthoing also contributes to the development and dissemination of best practices and standards in orthopedic engineering. The society encourages interdisciplinary cooperation and supports initiatives that bridge the gap between research and clinical implementation.

By joining IFMBE, Orthoing seeks to expand its international collaboration, enhance visibility of Croatian research in biomedical engineering, and contribute to global efforts in advancing healthcare technologies. The society is committed to supporting IFMBE’s mission in promoting biomedical engineering worldwide, particularly in areas related to musculoskeletal health, assistive technologies, and patient-centered innovation.

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## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Peruvian Association of Clinical Engineers (ASPIC)



The Peruvian Association of Clinical Engineers (ASPIC) is a non-profit organisation founded in late 2017 by a group of dedicated professionals united by a clear and important mission: to promote the continued development of Clinical Engineering in Peru, contributing to patient safety and the humanisation of the healthcare system. What began as a small group of committed engineers has grown steadily over the years into a vibrant and active professional community. Today, ASPIC counts 129 associates and has organised more than 60 events since its founding.

ASPIC provides its members with a platform to exchange ideas and experiences with peers and leading professionals in the

industry, and to stay informed about new technologies and best practices in medical equipment management. Members benefit from opportunities to expand their networks globally and to receive official international recognition and professional development benefits.

ASPIC also connects its members to courses, workshops, and conferences offered directly by the association or through agreements with partner institutions such as ACCE and EMBS Peru at preferential rates. Above all, membership means actively contributing to the advancement of Clinical Engineering in Peru and to the improvement of healthcare outcomes for patients across the country.



ASPIC Members Networking Meeting 2025

During 2025, ASPIC organised 13 events reinforcing its commitment to professional development, education, and community engagement. The main activities included:

- 2 Members Networking Meetings, one held virtually and one in person, enabling collaboration and knowledge sharing among clinical engineering professionals.
- 4 ASPIC Tech Sessions, to stay at the forefront of technological advancements showcasing emerging trends in medical devices and healthcare technology.
- 1 Leadership and Management Skills Workshop, equipping clinical engineers with essential competencies to excel in their professional roles.

- 1 Social Responsibility Event held on November 25, which could benefit more than 300 children at the National Institute of Child Health (INSN) San Borja.

Two significant events were held during 2025, the First Student Forum on Clinical Engineering (FESIC) and the Third Latin American Clinical Engineering Conference (CLIC III). Full reports on both events are provided in the Events section of this issue.

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ASPIC Clinical Engineering Day, 2025



ASPIC Social Responsibility Event, 2025

## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Association of Biomedical and Clinical Engineers of Georgia (ABCEG)



The Association of Biomedical and Clinical Engineers of Georgia (ABCEG) is a non-profit professional organization established in 2002, dedicated to advancing the field of biomedical and clinical engineering in Georgia. The association plays a key role in supporting the development and recognition of biomedical and clinical engineering as an essential component of the national healthcare system. It aims to promote high professional standards and enhance the quality and safety of healthcare services across the country.

ABCEG brings together professionals from diverse backgrounds, including biomedical engineers, clinical engineers, healthcare technology managers, and medical device specialists. Through this multidisciplinary platform, the society facilitates collaboration between healthcare institutions, academia, and industry, fostering knowledge exchange and professional development.

One of the core missions of ABCEG is to strengthen education and training in biomedical and clinical engineering. The

association actively supports capacity building through continuing education, scientific and professional events, and the promotion of best practices in healthcare technology management, ensuring the safe and effective use of medical equipment.

ABCEG is also committed to international collaboration and actively participates in global initiatives related to clinical engineering. By engaging with international organizations and networks, the association enhances the visibility of Georgia's biomedical engineering community and contributes to improving healthcare quality and patient safety.

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## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Medical Electrical Equipment Maintenance Professionals Association (MEEMPA)



The Medical Electrical Equipment Maintenance Professionals Association (MEEMPA) is a professional non-profit organisation established in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Its primary aim is to support the development of Healthcare Technology Management (HTM), Clinical Engineering, and safe medical device lifecycle management. The association was established following the experience of the COVID-19 pandemic, during which biomedical engineers played an essential role in maintaining critical medical equipment and supporting healthcare services.

MEEMPA promotes professional practice based on maintenance, technical competency, and lifecycle management. It supports the alignment of biomedical engineering with international standards, including ISO 13485 and ISO 14971, through workshops, seminars, and professional activities. In recent years, healthcare technology departments in Saudi Arabia have achieved ISO 13485:2016 certification, and biomedical engineers have obtained related professional qualifications.

MEEMPA has also undertaken initiatives to improve knowledge accessibility and standardisation. One major project involved the translation of the Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) into Arabic, covering more than 1.8 million words and approximately 30,000 medical device terms. This work supports consistent terminology use and facilitates communication across healthcare systems in Arabic-speaking regions.

In addition to educational and technical activities, MEEMPA promotes professional development and international collaboration. The association has launched the Global Biomedical Engineer Program to define core competencies across the medical device lifecycle, supported by an online platform that provides access to learning resources and professional networking opportunities.



At the national level, MEEMPA has been involved in strengthening the representation of biomedical engineers. In 2026, the National Biomedical Engineering Chapter Board was established within the Saudi Council of Engineers. MEEMPA contributed to this development, with members elected to leadership roles, supporting collaboration between engineers, healthcare institutions, and regulatory bodies.

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MEEMPA Members and Leadership

## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Biomedical Engineering Society of India (BESI)



The Biomedical Engineering Society of India (BESI) is a national non-profit professional organization dedicated to advancing biomedical engineering and its applications in healthcare. The society brings together engineers, scientists, clinicians, researchers, and industry professionals working across diverse areas of biomedical engineering, creating a strong interdisciplinary platform for collaboration and innovation.

BESI aims to promote the development of education, research, and professional practice in biomedical engineering throughout India. It supports the dissemination of scientific knowledge, encourages innovation in healthcare technologies, and contributes to improving medical diagnosis, treatment, and patient care. The society plays an important role in strengthening the academic and professional ecosystem of biomedical engineering in the country.

To achieve its mission, BESI organizes a wide range of activities, including national

and international conferences, workshops, seminars, and invited lectures. It also publishes journals and newsletters that provide platforms for sharing research findings, technical advancements, and best practices within the biomedical engineering community.

In addition, BESI actively promotes collaboration among academia, healthcare institutions, and industry partners. Through its network of regional chapters and student branches, the society supports capacity building, nurtures young professionals, and encourages the next generation of biomedical engineers. Its ongoing efforts contribute to advancing healthcare technologies and improving healthcare systems both in India and globally.

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### New Member Societies



#### Serbian Chapter for Biomedical Engineering of ETRAN - Society for Electronics, Telecommunications, Computing, Automatics and Nuclear engineering (ETRAN-BMES)

The development of biomedical engineering within ETRAN has a long tradition dating back to the 1950s. From its early stages, the Section brought together researchers from different disciplines to apply engineering and electronics to medicine. Early pioneers, including Prof. Rajko Tomović, contributed significantly to multidisciplinary research, particularly in neural prostheses and movement control, laying the foundation for future developments.

Today, the ETRAN Biomedical Engineering Section serves as an important scientific and professional forum that brings together researchers working at the intersection of engineering and life sciences.

It promotes multidisciplinary collaboration, knowledge exchange, and the development of innovative technologies across fields such as medicine, biology, psychology, and rehabilitation.

A key activity of the Section is the organization of scientific sessions within the annual ETRAN conference. These sessions provide a platform for presenting new research, exchanging ideas, and establishing collaborations. Research topics cover a broad range, including biomedical signal and image analysis, medical instrumentation, biomechanics, biomaterials, neuroengineering, rehabilitation engineering, assistive technologies, and medical robotics.



The Section also contributes actively to education in biomedical engineering. Its members participate in the development of academic programs and curricula at major universities in Serbia, supporting the training of future professionals in the field.

In addition, the Section supports the implementation of standards and regulations in biomedical technology, ensuring the safety, reliability, and quality of medical devices. It collaborates with national and international organizations to align with modern standards and practices.

The Section maintains strong international collaboration, enabling participation in global research projects and scientific networks. It also promotes knowledge transfer from research to clinical practice through cooperation with healthcare institutions and industry.

Furthermore, the Section places strong emphasis on supporting young researchers. Through conferences and academic collaboration, it provides opportunities for young scientists to present their work and engage with the scientific community.

Looking ahead, the Section aims to further strengthen its role as a platform for multidisciplinary collaboration and innovation. Future efforts will focus on integrating advanced technologies, including artificial intelligence, data-driven approaches, and modern rehabilitation and assistive systems, to improve healthcare and quality of life.

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## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Biomedical Engineering Society of Uruguay - Sociedad Uruguaya De Biociencias – Sección Ingeniería Biomédica (SUB-SIB)



**S**UB-SIB was founded in 1994 as a specialised section of the Uruguayan Biosciences Society to foster what, at the time, was a growing yet largely unknown branch of technology. Over the years, SUB-SIB has been active in organising part of the CNB (Congreso Nacional de Biociencias) every two years to disseminate the results of research and technology transfer of biomedical equipment and software applications.

In 2025 SUB-SIB was accepted as part of the IFMBE and officially took part in the Adelaide World Congress to deepen cooperation with other Societies around the globe.

Over the years SUB-SIB has largely acted as a dissemination and cooperation entity linked to NIB, the Núcleo de Ingeniería Biomédica de las Facultades de Medicina e Ingeniería of the Universidad de la República Uruguay.

SUB-SIB has signed MoU with other societies in Latin America, namely SABI in Argentina, SBEB in Brasil and SOMIB in Mexico, and is part of CORAL, the Latin American

Coordination body of Biomedical Engineering Societies.

In 2020, SUB-SIB and other Uruguayan institutions organized the traditional Argentine SABI Congress in Piriápolis, as a demonstration of both the enthusiasm and capacity of the local group and the close historical, geographical and cultural ties of Argentina and Uruguay.

During the 2022 Singapore World Congress, SUB-SIB joined forces with fellow Latin American Societies to support the Mexican SOMIB to organize the 2028 event, towards which work is in progress to send a significant delegation. Similarly, SUB-SIB was active to support Athens as the 2031 venue of the World Congress, confirmed in Adelaide 2025.

Members of the SUB-SIB belong to a variety of institutions in Uruguay, mainly from NIB but not exclusively. The Universidad Tecnológica del Uruguay (UTEC) in the city of Fray Bentos offers a tertiary career as Technician in Biomedical Engineering towards an Engineering degree. The Universidad

Católica del Uruguay (UCU) includes research in Biomedical Engineering and other institutions occasionally produce interesting biomedical engineering solutions.

Uruguay being a three million inhabitants Country with a relatively high education standard within the Latin American Continent, the Biomedical Engineering research aims at producing innovative and unseen solutions to clinical problems in the diagnostic, treatment and prosthesis domains. And this activity adapts to the reduced amount of investment available both as government research grants and minimal private sector involvement. One such successful product is DINABANG by the start up company MOVI Technology for Life under license from the Universidad de la República Uruguay: an ingenious field limb power measurement and neuro-motor control device linked to the electronic clinical record.

SUB-SIB is helping to disseminate a professional training program in Clinical Engineering based on student six months paid internships in Hospitals and firms, three years

postgraduate residency under University supervision in Uruguay and other Countries, under the name of MANTO.

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**¡HAZTE SOCIO DE SUB-SIB!**  
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- Participa en la IFMBE, federación mundial.
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- Intercambia experiencias y aprende de colegas.
- Mejora el uso de equipos biomédicos en hospitales.
- Apoya y participa en investigaciones tecnológicas y científicas.
- Beneficiate de redes como SABI (Argentina), SOMIB (México) y SBEB (Brasil).
- Conoce empresas que llevan resultados de investigación al mercado.

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## IFMBE Express

### New Member Societies

#### Fachverband Biomedizinische Technik e.V.- Association of Biomedical Engineering



The Fachverband Biomedizinische Technik e.V. (FBMT), also known as the German Association for Biomedical Engineering, is a non-profit professional organization established in 1984. It is dedicated to representing the interests of biomedical engineers and medical technology professionals, and to advancing the development of medical technology within healthcare systems.

FBMT serves as a competence network for medical technology, bringing together engineers, technicians, healthcare professionals, and industry experts. Its members work in hospitals, medical device companies, service organizations, and regulatory bodies across Germany and other European countries. The association promotes collaboration, professional exchange, and the sharing of technical expertise in biomedical and hospital engineering.

A key focus of FBMT is professional development and continuing education. The association organizes technical conferences, regional meetings, and training programs that

support knowledge exchange and networking. It also offers certification programs, such as MTcert®, to ensure high professional standards and competency in medical technology practice.

In addition, FBMT actively contributes to the development of standards and regulations in medical technology. Its experts participate in national and international standardization bodies, including DIN, DKE, and ISO, and provide professional input on regulatory frameworks and policy development.

FBMT also promotes international collaboration and is a member of the International Federation for Medical and Biological Engineering (IFMBE). Through this engagement, the association contributes to global knowledge exchange and represents the perspectives of German hospital medical engineering within the international community.

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## Events

### World Congress on Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering (WC2025) Adelaide, Australia



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## Events

### IFMBE General Assembly and Networking



## Events

### XLVIII Mexican Conference on Biomedical Engineering Monterrey, México

The XLVIII Mexican Conference on Biomedical Engineering, organized by the Mexican Society of Biomedical Engineering (SOMIB), was successfully held in the city of Monterrey, Nuevo León, Mexico, from September 11 to 13, consolidating its position as one of the most important academic and professional events in the country in the field of engineering applied to healthcare.

This edition of the Conference brought together a broad and diverse community composed of students, researchers, professors, biomedical engineers, clinical engineering professionals, hospital administrators, representatives from the medical technology industry, and authorities from the healthcare sector, who actively participated in a space designed for knowledge exchange, professional development, and the creation of strategic collaboration networks.

The academic program of the XLVIII Mexican Conference on Biomedical Engineering stood out for its multidisciplinary and cutting-edge approach, addressing key topics such as clinical engineering, bioinstrumentation, biomaterials, biosignal processing, medical imaging, digital health, artificial intelligence applied to healthcare,

management and assessment of medical technologies, regulation, hospital maintenance, patient safety, and technological innovation. Through keynote lectures, panel discussions, specialized workshops, technical courses, and scientific paper presentation sessions, the Conference promoted critical analysis of current and future challenges in the healthcare sector.

One of the fundamental pillars of this Conference was the promotion of new generations, encouraging the active participation of students and young professionals, who had the opportunity to present their research projects, interact with national and international experts, and strengthen professional, ethical, and leadership skills. This focus reaffirmed SOMIB's commitment to the comprehensive development of the biomedical engineering community in Mexico.

Likewise, the technology and commercial exhibition showcased innovative solutions, medical equipment, digital tools, and specialized services, strengthening the connection between academia, industry, and healthcare services under a collaborative approach aimed at continuous improvement in medical care.

The venue in Monterrey, Nuevo León, added significant value to the event by providing an environment recognized for its industrial, academic, and technological dynamism. The Conference incorporated regional elements that strengthened participants' sense of identity and belonging, enriching the experience beyond the academic scope.

Overall, the XLVIII Mexican Conference on Biomedical Engineering of SOMIB represented a space for gathering, reflection, and inspiration, reaffirming the strategic role of biomedical engineering in transforming

healthcare systems, driving technological innovation, and improving societal well-being, while laying solid foundations for the continued growth and strengthening of the discipline in Mexico.



## Events

### Joint Conference of the XXV Argentinian Congress of Bioengineering and the III Latin American Congress on Clinical Engineering (SABI–CLIC 2025) Mar del Plata, Argentina

The Argentinian Congress of Bioengineering is the most important scientific meeting for bioengineering professionals in Argentina. Last year, the XXV Argentinian Congress of Bioengineering (SABI 2025) was held jointly with the III Latin American Congress on Clinical Engineering (CLIC) in Mar del Plata, Argentina, from October 14 to 17, 2025, and the joint organization provided a valuable regional forum for participants from Latin America and other parts of the world.

This edition was jointly organized by the Argentinian Society of Bioengineering (SABI) and the Peruvian Association of Clinical Engineers (ASPIC). The congress received official endorsement from the International Federation for Medical and Biological Engineering (IFMBE) and the Consejo Regional de Ingeniería Biomédica para América Latina (CORAL). The event was further distinguished by the visit of IFMBE authorities, including Prof. Ratko Magjaveric (Past President), Prof. Virginia Ballarin (Vice President), and Prof. Kang-Ping Lin (President), who participated as invited lecturers.

The scientific program encompassed a broad range of topics, including Biomaterials

and Tissue Engineering, Biomechanics, Biomedical Engineering Education, Professional Practice, Medical Physics, Medical Informatics, Clinical Engineering and Medical Technology Management, Biomedical Equipment, Modeling and Simulation of Biomedical Systems, Image and Signal Processing, Neuromuscular Systems, and Rehabilitation Engineering, among others.

In parallel, the XIV Clinical Engineering Conference, organized by the Clinical Engineering Chapter of SABI, and the III Latin American Conference on Clinical Engineering (CLIC), organized by ASPIC, provided in-depth analyses of regional applications, experiences, and case studies in clinical engineering. Additionally, IFMBE organized a special session on Biomedical Engineering Education, targeted at both professionals and students.

As a satellite activity, the SABI Student Day was held, specifically designed for undergraduate students. This initiative included presentations by specialists and attracted more than 600 student participants. Its main objective was to strengthen connections among students from different universities and to promote the exchange of academic and professional experiences.

Overall, the conference featured more than 230 scientific papers, gathered over 900 participants, and included six keynote presentations by international experts. These contributions fostered discussion on current challenges and future directions in bioengineering, with a particular focus on healthcare technologies.

SABI-CLIC 2025 served as an effective platform for scientific exchange and professional networking, enabling participants to update their knowledge in

their areas of expertise while gaining exposure to related fields. The breadth of contributions also provided useful insights for attendees beyond Medical and Biological Engineering, supporting interdisciplinary perspectives on technological and healthcare challenges. Overall, the event offered meaningful scientific, educational, and collaborative value, fostering interaction and engagement within the regional bioengineering community.



## Events

### Madrid TechConnect Workshop: LATAM Market Landing Madrid, Spain

On 28 November 2025, Prof. Ballarin and Prof. Cabrera actively participated in the Madrid TechConnect Workshop: LATAM Market Landing, organised by 28DIGITAL and held at Digitaliza Madrid, Madrid, within the framework of the Madrid TechConnect and SPIDER projects. The workshop brought together startups, scaleups, investors, and innovation ecosystem stakeholders to strengthen cooperation between European and Latin American markets, with a particular focus on market entry strategies, intellectual property, venture capital, and pitching skills.

During the event, both of them contributed to the discussions and exchanges throughout the different sessions and Prof.

Ballarin was given a dedicated space to introduce and explain the role and mission of the International Federation for Medical and Biological Engineering (IFMBE). This intervention allowed participants to better understand IFMBE as a global organization fostering collaboration between academia, industry, and innovation ecosystems in the field of medical and biological engineering, particularly in the context of internationalization and technology transfer. The workshop provided a valuable opportunity to connect innovation initiatives with global professional networks and to reinforce links between Europe and Latin America in health-related technological innovation.



## Obituaries

### Fumihiko Kajiya

1940-2025



*In Memoriam*

*Prof. Fumihiko Kajiya*

*IFMBE President 1994–1997*

*IUPESM Vice-President 1997–2000*

Professor Fumihiko Kajiya, former president of IFMBE, passed away on November 17, 2025. Professor Kajiya spent many years researching biomedical engineering, interacting with researchers from around the world and conducting collaborative research. He was also actively

involved in academic activities, making significant contributions to the development of the field of biomedical engineering and receiving numerous awards and fellowships. He served as president of IFMBE for three years from 1994 and vice president of IUPESM for three years from 1997. He also served as chair of IAMBE for three years from 2006.

In that period, he also served as president of the Japan Society for Medical Electronics and Biological Engineering (now the Japanese Society for Medical and Biological Engineering) for two years from 1998. In recognition of these activities, he was awarded the IUPESM Award of Merit (Biomedical Engineering) at the 2015 World Congress on Medical Physics & Biomedical Engineering. His award-winning lecture was titled “Improvement of Healthcare Quality by Medical and Biological Engineering (MBE) with the collaboration of Academia, Industry, the Government, and the People.” He was always cheerful, friendly, and energetic. We will keep Professor Fumihiko Kajiya in our memories.

## Obituaries

### Jan Person

1942-2026



#### *In Memoriam*

#### *Prof. Jan Person*

*Pioneer contributor to the early development of IFMBE Health Technology Assessment (HTA)*

*Former Chair of IFMBE Health Technology Assessment*

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Prof. Jan Persson, Professor Emeritus at Linköping University, Sweden, on March 26, 2026.

Prof. Persson was a pioneer in Biomedical Engineering, particularly in the field of Health Technology Assessment (HTA).

Together with Prof. Ronney Panerai, he contributed significantly to the early development of HTA within the biomedical engineering community.

He played a key role in the establishment and growth of the IFMBE Health Technology Assessment Division (HTAD) and served as its Chair for many years during the 1990s and 2000s. His leadership helped shape the direction of HTA within IFMBE and promote its importance at both regional and global levels.

A long-standing and active member of IFMBE, Prof. Persson built strong professional and personal relationships across the community. He collaborated closely with many colleagues, including Prof. Joachim Nagel and Prof. Ratko Magjarević.

He was also a dedicated educator and mentor, inspiring many students and young researchers. Prof. Rosimary Almeida, one of his former doctoral students, remembers him as a warm, supportive, and deeply committed mentor.

Prof. Persson will be remembered not only for his academic contributions, but also for his kindness, collegiality, and lasting impact on the global biomedical engineering community.

On behalf of IFMBE, we extend our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues..

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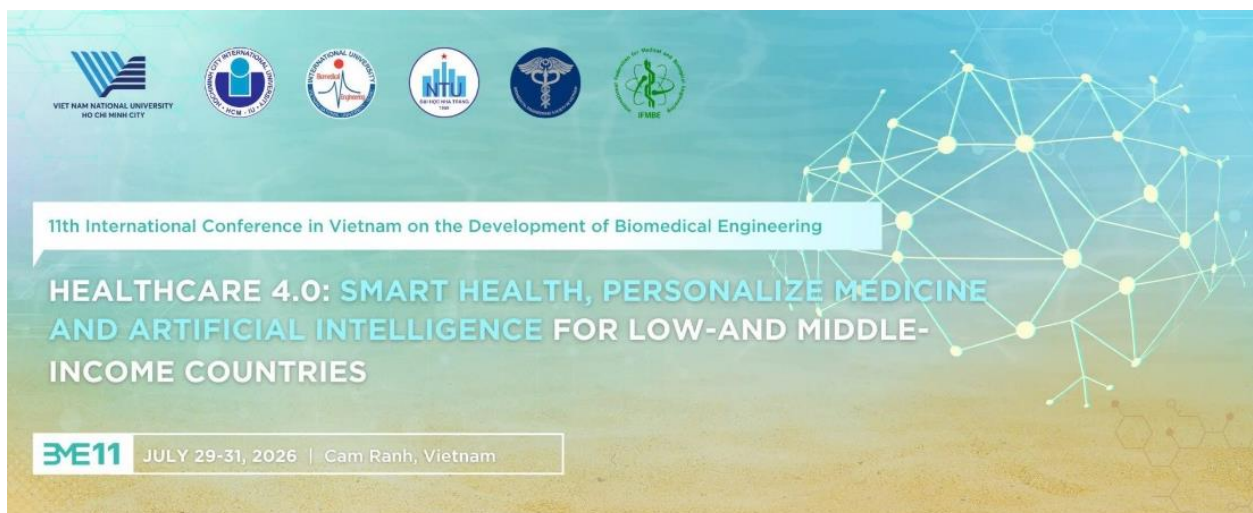
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**2026中国生物医学工程大会暨创新医疗峰会**  
2026 CHINA BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING CONFERENCE & MEDICAL INNOVATION SUMMIT  
主办单位: 中国生物医学工程学会  
2026年5月29-31日 中国·北京  
**BME2026**

<https://bme2026.sciconf.cn/>



**REM2026**  
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM  
ON RADIATION EXPOSURE MONITORING IN MEDICAL IMAGING  
11 - 13 June 2026 | Sofia, Bulgaria

<https://rem2026.roentgen-bg.org/>



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**BME11** JULY 29-31, 2026 | Cam Ranh, Vietnam

<https://bme.hcmu.edu.vn/bme11/>



## Calendar

### 2026

#### **OEGBMT-OEGMP 2026**

Joint Annual Meeting of the Austrian Society for Biomedical Engineering and the Austrian Society for Medical Physics 2026

<https://www.oegmp-tagung.at/>

9 – 11 April 2026  
Innsbruck, Austria

#### **BME2026 Workshop - Advancing Intelligent Healthcare and Precision Medicine**

Joint Annual Meeting of the 2026 China Biomedical Engineering Conference & Medical Innovation Summit

<https://bme2026.sciconf.cn/>

29 – 31 May 2026  
Suzhou, China

#### **IcETAN 2026**

13th International Conference on Electrical, Electronic, and Computing Engineering - Biomedical section

<https://www.etrans.rs/2026/en/home-english/>

8 – 11 June 2026  
Silver Lake, Serbia

#### **REM2026**

International Symposium on Radiation Exposure Monitoring in Medical Imaging

<https://rem2026.roentgen-bg.org/>

11 – 13 June 2026  
Sofia, Bulgaria

#### **Latin American international Summer School**

Emerging Technologies to Support Health Care and Independent Living: Empowering Elderly Care Through Digital Health Ecosystems and Advanced Technologies

30 June – 4 July 2026  
Colombia, Bogota

#### **BME 11**

11th International Conference in Vietnam on the Development of Biomedical Engineering

<https://bme.hcmiu.edu.vn/bme11/>

29 – 31 July 2026  
Nha Trang, Vietnam

## ICIBEL 2026

6th International Conference for Innovation in Biomedical Engineering and Life Sciences

<https://cime.my/icibel-2026/>

26 – 28 August 2026

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

## MEDICON 2026

XVII Mediterranean Conference on Medical and Biological Engineering and Computing 2026

<https://medicon2026.unisi.it/>

14 – 17 September 2026

Siena, Italy

## MediTech 2026

10th International Conference on Advancements of Medicine and Health Care through Technology

8 – 10 October 2026

Cluj Napoca, Romania

## ICBHI-CLASD 2026

International Conference on Biomedical and Health Informatics & Latin American Conference on Digital Health 2026

<https://coralib.org/clasd-2026/>

15 – 17 October 2026

Oaxaca, Mexico

## BioMedVetMech 2026

3rd European Congress of Biomedical and Veterinary Engineering

<https://biomedvetmech.com/>

16 – 18 October 2026

Zagreb, Croatia

## APCMBE 2026

13th Asian Pacific Conference on Medical and Biological Engineering

<https://www.apcmbe2026.org/>

4 – 7 November 2026

Daegu, South Korea

## 2027

### MBEC 2027

10th European Medical and Biological Engineering Conference

14– 18 June 2027

Rome, Italy

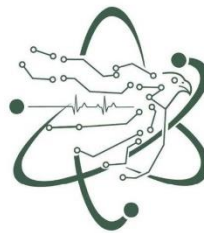
## 2028

### WC2028

World Congress on Medical Physics & Biomedical Engineering

4– 9 June 2028

Monterrey, Mexico



**IUPESM 2028**  
WORLD CONGRESS  
MEDICAL PHYSICS AND BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING  
MONTERREY, MÉXICO

4–9 June / Monterrey, Mexico



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