



Dear IFSHT Delegate

as promised I contact you for more information and ongoing updates about the **IFSHT Congress in New Delhi, March 4-8, 2013** and to ask for your cooperation.

But first of all you certainly are interested in the outcome of the electronic vote about the approval for corresponding membership of Hanna Melchior from Israel.

All delegates that have cast a vote (18) and all executive committee members (6) are in favor to approve Hanna Melchior as IFSHT corresponding member.

The following countries have cast their votes: Argentina, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece (by e-mail), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Portugal, Slovenia, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom and Venezuela.

Thank you for your commitment!

IFSHT has now 32 full members and 6 corresponding members.

As you know IFSHT has some limited funds available to provide partial financial support for therapists to attend the IFSHT Triennial Congress. Funding for these supports is through:

- the **Evelyn Mackin Triennial Award**
Please find the guidelines on :
<http://www.ifsht.org/en/content/evelyn-mackin-triennial-award>
- the **IFSHT Triennial Congress Travel Grant**
Please find guidelines and application form on:
<http://www.ifsht.org/en/%20http%3A/%252Fifsht.org/en/content/ifsht-triennial-meeting-travel-award>

I have already reported in my letter from last February that the IFSHT “**Evelyn Mackin Triennial Award**” supports therapists to attend next IFSHT Triennial Congress from a country where hand therapy is developing and does not currently hold membership in IFSHT. The recipient is someone who is a potential leader of hand therapy in his/her country who may otherwise not have the resources to attend.

Recipients of the Evelyn Mackin Triennial Award must be recommended by a therapist from a member country of IFSHT and must be submitted to the Secretary General no later than 6 months prior to the Triennial Congress.

We are now putting out a call for nominations and we would very like to ask your society to consider nominating a therapist who meets these requirements.

Please forward your recommendation for the Evelyn Mackin Triennial Award to me by e-mail secretarygeneral@ifsht.org. Many thanks!



I would very like to call again your attention to the **4th Triennial IFSHT Silent Auction** at the Congress in New Delhi. To make this event raise funds for IFSHT we need your help.

Please inform the members as well to consider donating an item to the auction and coming to bid at the auction! On the website (<http://www.ifsht.org/en/content/ifsht-silent-auction-event-2013-triennial-congress>) you will find general information and the possibility to announce your donation.

Please inform your members to have a look from time to time on the congress website www.ifssh-ifsht2013.com and on the IFSHT website www.ifsht.org. The closer we get to the congress the more important information are added to the websites. Of course, I will keep you as well up to date through such short information letters.

Please contact me at any time for further questions.

Warmest regards

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