

IFSSH Newsletter

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IFSSH Educational Bursary

The Executive Committee calls for applications for the IFSSH Educational Bursaries which are available to train prospective hand surgeons and to support workshops and seminars in hand surgery.

Sponsorship is only available to further hand surgery in historically disadvantaged communities, or to establish a hand surgery service. An undertaking must be signed that “medical migration” will not take place i.e. a trainee moving/establishing him/herself after qualification in a “developed” area. A total of US \$10 000-20 000 per year may be allocated to one or more projects. The allocation and discretion will rest with the Executive Council of the IFSSH.

An IFSSH Educational Bursary was granted to Baragwanath Hospital in Johannesburg. The successful applicant, Dr George Omondi Afulo from Kenya, has completed his fellowship programme and has provided a report which can be reviewed on the IFSSH website - www.ifssh.org. The Executive has agreed to an application from Baragwanath Hospital to fund a further Fellowship programme.

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The Executive welcomes Bill Cooney back to his position as Historian, following a brief retirement. We look forward to his continued, invaluable contribution.

Future IFSSH Congresses:

XIth IFSSH Congress - Seoul, Korea.
31st October - 4th November, 2010.

www.ifssh2010.com

XIIth IFSSH - IXth IFSHT Congress - New Delhi, India.
March, 2013

IFSSH Website:

The new IFSSH website is now in service and all can gain access. The information will be continually updated and will become the main means of communication between member societies. The Executive welcomes information from all member societies, including notice of national meetings and matters of interest, both current and historical, for distribution to our members.

The website address is **www.ifssh.org**.

Those societies wishing to place information on the website should forward that information to the Secretary-General.

The IFSSH Executive wishes all member societies good health and academic and clinical prosperity.

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