



IBE JUBILEE



International Bureau for Epilepsy

1961 - 2011

50 years focussed on epilepsy

Jubilee Photography Exhibition

In May 2010, IBE launched an exciting photography competition as one of the first activities to celebrate its Golden Jubilee. Titled 'Epilepsy Without Words' the competition invited photographers young and old, amateur and professional, to produce an image that they felt captured the feeling of epilepsy. The competition, supported by UCB Pharma, had two categories, camera photographs and mobile phone photographs, and with a total prize fund of US\$7,000. By the closing date in May 2011, more than 300 dramatic, emotional and compelling images had been submitted, presenting the judging panel with a very difficult task.

The top 60 photographs have been mounted to create a wonderful exhibition in the Rome Marriott Park Hotel foyer, where details of the winning photographs will also be available. The winning photograph in the camera category has been produced as a postcard and is included in each delegate bag. You can also obtain a postcard of the 2nd and 3rd prize winning photographs from the camera category by visiting the IBE exhibition area in the Exhibition Hall.

All 300 photographs can be viewed in a special gallery on the IBE website: www.ibe-epilepsy.org/jubilee/jubilee-photo-competition.

Judging Panel: Denise Chapman (Australia), Shunglon Lai (Taiwan), Susanne Lund (Sweden), Peter Murphy (Ireland), Simon Shorvon (United Kingdom), Tatsuya Tanaka (Japan), Sam Wiebe (Canada).

History of IBE

Since its foundation in 1961, IBE has travelled a long and interesting road and has experienced dramatic growth both in terms of membership and of programmes of activity. Now is a good time to reflect on IBE's journey to date and to review difficulties met as well as successes enjoyed. Cataloguing 50 years of activities is no easy task and IBE is grateful to Hanneke de Boer who undertook this arduous task. Almost 12 months were spent in gathering information on IBE's early beginnings and its progression to a global presence with representation in 92 countries world-wide. A colourful condensed history of IBE's first 50 years is the result of Mrs. de Boer's hard work and IBE is delighted to include a copy in each delegate bag for everyone to enjoy.

The history will also be available on IBE's website in the coming weeks and, in time, it is planned to have a full and detailed history prepared.

International Epilepsy News

IBE has been producing a regular magazine for almost 50 years, right from the day that George Burden sat behind a typewriter in 1963 and wrote the first one-page newsletter. In the intervening years the newsletter has undergone several changes of style and layout, thanks to the diligent editors who have been responsible for its development in the intervening 48 years.

International Epilepsy News, or IE News as it is more often called, is one of IBE's most important windows to the world and is circulated in more than 120 countries each quarter. To mark IBE's fiftieth anniversary, a revised layout was introduced earlier this year by the current editor Carlos Acevedo. The second magazine using the new design has been prepared in time for the congress. Contents will range from the announcement of congress award winners to news of the latest initiatives to receive support funding under IBE's very successful Promising Strategies Program. The latest issue will be provided to each congress delegate and will also be available at the IBE counter in the Exhibition Hall.



Milestones Walkway

Down through the years since 1961, IBE has reached several important milestones in its busy history. Rome 2011 provides the opportunity to celebrate these through a colourful Milestones Walkway which threads its way from the Congress Registration Desk to the IBE counter in the Exhibition Area. Designed to allow the passerby to grab a quick glimpse of a significant date or period in IBE's busy history, delegates will be able to recognise those moments in the Bureau's past that have helped in the establishment of IBE and which opened the doors to future development. We hope you like it.

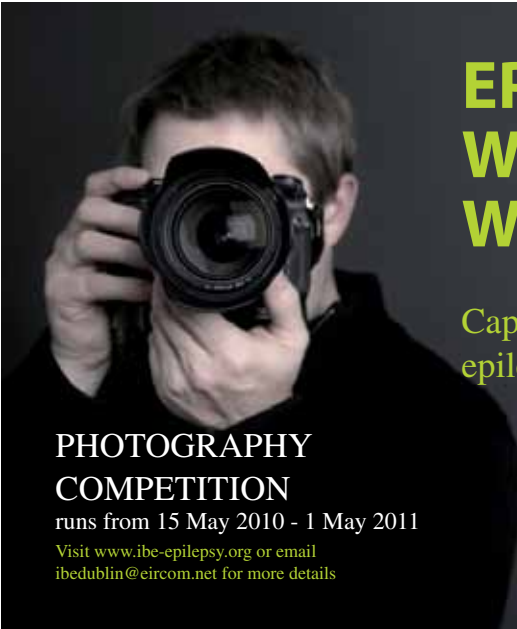
IBE Members Poster Display

From small beginnings, IBE now has 122 members in 92 countries around the world. These range from very large national foundations with significant branch networks, large membership numbers and extensive funding, to small voluntary organisations in

developing nations that face a daily struggle to survive. Irrespective of size, location or financial capacity, each IBE member follows the same objective – to help improve the lives of people with epilepsy and those who care for them.

Showcasing its diverse membership, the IBE Members Poster display at the 29th International Epilepsy Congress, is the largest such poster display ever mounted by the Bureau. With a specially commissioned poster for each one of IBE's members, delegates can find out about the efforts made, difficulties faced and successes of each one of this huge global network.

The posters have been grouped and colour coded by region – Africa, Eastern Mediterranean, Europe, Latin America, North America, South East Asia and Western Pacific - to help you locate any poster you particularly want to see. But we are confident that you will want to view them all!




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