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| **WFNR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP ANNUAL REPORT** |
| Name of Special Interest Group  |  Telerehabilitation |
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| Number of Members   |  n.a. |
| Key objectives and action plan   | To realize a worldwide network of people involved in TelerehabilitationTo stimulate the researches on TelerehabilitationTo improve the translation from research studies to clinical services on Telerhabilitation |
| Activities during previous 12 months     | Many of the activities planned for 2020 have not been implemented due to the spread of the pandemic. In particular, the working group for International Guidelines on Telerehabilitation, activated following the International Conference on Teleneurorehabilitation in Crotone, was temporarily interrupted. Furthermore, it was not possible to carry out a reorganization of the SIG, with the election of a new steering committee, foreseen during the original Lyon Congress.Accomplished activities:-In February 2020, an email was sent to the entire SIG mailing list to advertise the Lyon Congress and stimulate the submission of abstracts-In August 2020 a second email was sent to the same mailing list to give information on the shift to a Digital Congress and stimulate the participation-During the 2020 Digital Congress, we organized a session on Telerehabilitation, coordinated by Paolo Tonin and Annie Hill; the session was focused on: "Teleneurorehabilitation. Current projects ", many speakers from various regions of the world presented a contribute: Pablo Celnik (USA), Nirmal Surya (India), Annie Hill (Australia), Vincenzo Cimino (Italy), Intan Sabrina Mohamad (Malaysia), Carl Froilan Leochico (Philippines), Anbananden Soopramanien (United Kingdom). After the presentations, an exciting open discussion concluded the session. |
| Proposed activities   | Taking into account the persistence of the pandemic, future activities are planned for the two-years period 2021-2022:-2021-2022: resumption of the activity for the Guidelines and presentation of the results during WCNR 2022 in Lyon.- 2021: proposal for a symposium, in collaboration with another SIG-2021-2022: stimulation of SIG members for an active participation in WCNR 2022.-2021-2022: reorganization of the SIG, included a revision of the list of members, and the election of the new chair and the other members of the governance structure, during the 12°WCNR in Lyon |
| Publications | -Participation to the: WFNR Statement on the SARS-CoV2/-COVID Pandemic (Chapter 3: Chances for Rehabilitation)- Four members of SIG, Paolo Tonin, Annie Hill, Swathi Kiran, Nam Yong Paik, are editors of the Special Issue on Teleneurorehabilitation of Frontiers on Neurology and Neurorehabilitation (the issue will be published on 2021) |