

2007 REPORT
WORLD FEDERATION OF NEUROLOGY
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

The Committee met in April 2007 during the meeting of the American Academy of Neurology's Annual Meeting, and on 27 August 2007 during the Brussels meeting of the European Federation of Neurological Societies.

An assessment of the previous work of the Committee was carried out at the April meeting, and a determination was made that further projects would depend upon the recruitment of new, active members, and upon frequent email, telephone, and personal meetings of the group. The Committee also agreed that dissemination of the work of the WFN would depend upon specific projects aimed at the international neurological community. The difficulty of recruiting new participants to the WFN in the context of its structure as an 'assembly of assemblies' rather than one with individual membership was identified as a crucial obstacle.

The Committee agreed to produce a platform presentation describing the WFN's work, and opportunities to participate in it, for use of senior WFN members attending international meetings. It also agreed to design and construct a new, more attractive exhibition booth to be used at international meetings, to showcase WFN publications and projects.

Over the next few months three new members were recruited, two from developing countries and all with the skills needed for the committee's plans. A draft of the platform presentation and a design for the new booth will be presented to the committee in session in Chicago during the American Academy meeting in April, and a budget for this work and other projects identified at this meeting will be submitted thereafter.

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