MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between:

1. The World Federation of Neurology ("WFN") and
2. The INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION of MEDICAL STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATIONS ("IFMSA")

Preamble

The International Federation of Medical Students’ Associations (IFMSA) wishes to encourage the involvement of medical students in activities related to neurology and mental health. For that purpose the IFMSA approached the World Federation of Neurology (WFN) asking for their support through its international offices and national member organizations.

WFN recognises that medical students have the potential to contribute to the improvement of human health worldwide, through promotion of the prevention and care of persons with all medical disorders including the nervous system and, to the future development of the specialty of Neurology.

Agreement

This Memorandum of Understanding is an acknowledgement of the wishes of WFN and IFMSA to cooperate over mutually beneficial activities, where possible.

IFMSA is hereby recognised as a specialised international scientific society of medical students, devoted to the study of subjects relating to Neurology and Mental Health, and as an elected organization for co-operation and mutual exchange of information.

Areas of Collaboration

Both organizations will, from time to time, discuss possible collaboration in the following areas:

- According to discussions and based upon ongoing review and confirmation at the sole discretion of the WFN, the WFN may offer some students the possibility to attend WFN congresses by exempting them from the registration fees (Travel and accommodation must be taken in charge by the student itself).
- Consideration of WFN representatives attending meetings of IFMSA.
- Potential Collaboration between IFMSA (and its National Member Organizations) and the National Member Societies of WFN in relation to educational and other activities.
- Potential Support to the IFMSA Professional Exchange by intermittent review and approval of the Neurologic checklist, as basic requirements for a one-month clerkship in the department of neurology.
- Potential Support to the IFMSA Research Exchange through its Research Groups.
The WFN's mission is to foster quality neurology and brain health worldwide.

- Potential Collaboration on further activities according to agreement.

Communication

The IFMSA Liaison Office to Research and Medical Associations will act as the primary route of communication and collaboration with WFN.

The President of WFN or his/her designee(s) will be responsible for communication with IFMSA.

Term

This Memorandum will have a nominal duration of three years from the date hereof, with the potential for review and ongoing renewal.

Signed:

Dr. Vladimir Hachinski, President  
On behalf of the World Federation of Neurology  
Date: 24 Oct 2011

Federica Balzarin,  
On behalf of the IFMSA  
Date:

Dr. Raad Shakir, Secretary-General  
On behalf of the World Federation of Neurology  
Date: 3rd Oct 2011