Message from the CMBES President

From the desk of the CMBES President, Murray Rice

Here we are a week before Labour Day, with four weeks left of summer to enjoy. I heard a debate earlier this week on whether summer ends with Labour Day and the start of the school year, or with the equinox. I am on the side of the equinox.

I wanted to share a few highlights from our AGM with you, beyond our excellent new executive members. We had a good financial year in 2021, finishing on budget. Thanks to Marie-Ange, we have a bilingual website. Payal has ensured our MS Office account is working out well and we are able to post recordings of our webinars on our YouTube Channel. Michael worked to ramp up our webinar series, and as a result we have two great webinars lined up for September. Please see the details below. One of the webinars is also the result of our efforts to engage more with our partner organizations. We also joined the Global Clinical Engineering Alliance. Rebecca has ramped up our social media utilization. There's also great work continued by Bill for global outreach, Tiago for academics, Akshay for conference planning, Ted for awards, Kelly ensuring our website is always up to date, and Gad working to meet our members' needs. My thanks again to our great executive for all of their hard work.

Our strategic planning/priority planning session for the executive is going to be on Thursday October 13, 2022. If you have any input/ideas for this session, please email me with your thoughts at Murray.Rice@uhn.ca.
Registration is Open!

CMBES is hosting two informative webinars in September. See the details below and *register now* to join us ...

CMBES-APIBQ Joint Webinar - Sept 13, 2022 - 12:00 EST
"Clinical Engineering in Quebec: The Point of View of Health Authorities"

This webinar will present the field of clinical engineering in Quebec, the role of professionals in healthcare institutions as well as the rules and management framework put in place by the Quebec Ministry of Health to achieve the objectives of planning, acquisition and safe use of medical equipment while aiming for economic efficiency.

The presentation will be made by Mochcine Elgarch, Ingénieur Biomedical Clinique, Ministere Sante et Services Sociaux, Montreal, Quebec along with his colleagues Francis Belanger and Maxime Villeneuve.

The webinar will be in English, but questions will be taken in both French and English.

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CMBES Webinar - Sept 28, 2022 - 12:00 EST
"Hospital Patient Monitoring - Exploring New Business Models"

Presenter: Jamie Osborn, Global Leader of Philips Enterprise Monitoring as a Service

As Patient Monitoring systems become more complex, more reliant on complex software and IT ecosystems, and more integrated into hospital information systems, the importance of keeping systems up to date and compatible with related hospital infrastructure becomes more and more urgent. In recent years, organizations and individuals alike have dramatically increased their adoption of subscription-based services over the owning of fixed, aging assets. “As a service” and
subscription offers are present in nearly all corners of the economy - including now in healthcare.

In this presentation, Jaime Osborn, will cover key as a service concepts, the pros and cons, and share examples of how as a service offers are benefiting healthcare organizations - clinically, operationally, and financially. Read more about this presentation here.

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IFMBE Announcements

CMBES is a member of IFMBE (International Federation for Medical and Biological Engineering). There are two surveys for which the IFMBE is currently seeking input from the CMBES community:

First, the IFMBE-Clinical Engineering Division (CED) is collecting information on the capacity building of CE. They are looking at each member country to answer to 3 questions:

1. What capacity building for CE has happened in your country the past 2 years?
2. What opportunities to work with your MOH seem possible, and or other key partners & health leaders?
3. Can you identify what is specific to your Region for CE practice?

Please submit responses to Marie-Ange Janvier at mjanvier@cheo.on.ca and she will compile and submit a national response. The deadline for this is October 5th.

Second, the IFMBE-CED is looking to measure the impact of CE across the world. For this they have formed a Theory of Change (TOC) survey about how CE has made a difference to society.

They are collecting stories/testimonies that can be local, provincial or even national to be able to assess the impact of the CE profession. Access the link to the survey here. The survey deadline is October 5th.
Embrace Public Speaking

Are you search for some motivation to improve your public speaking skills? Check out this article from Teach the Geek founder Neil Thompson. Need a little more motivation ... view the recording of the webinar Neil presented for CMBES on Tips and Techniques for "talking techy" with non-technical people on the CMBES YouTube channel.

Mark your Calendars for CMBEC45
May 16-18th, 2023
Vancouver, BC

We’re planning a conference that will be jam-packed with networking opportunities, topical sessions, continuing education opportunities, and a taste of the beautiful city of Vancouver. Don’t forget to save the date!

Other Upcoming Events
APIBQ Congress 2022 - Oct 24-26th, 2022

The Association of Physicists and Biomedical Engineers of Quebec (APIBQ) is pleased to announce that it will be holding its annual conference from October 24th to 26th, 2022 at L'Estérel Resort.

We invite you to reserve this date in your agenda and to spread the
good news to your colleagues. Stay tuned for the program and don't miss the opening of registration! Check back [here](mailto:info@apibq.ca) for updated information or contact info@apibq.ca.

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