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The Global Ageing Research Network
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PRESENTATION OF

IAGG's Global Aging Research Network (GARN)

The Global Aging Research Network (GARN) project was launched by IAGG, in collaboration with the World Health Organization. The aim of this Network is to identify the best research centers dedicated to social, biological, behavioural and clinical gerontology.

Experts will be invited to:

- exchange information about all types of topics related to Aging,
- set up contacts between professionals: specialists, academics, industry, health authorities, other scientific networks etc,
- build collaborative research program.

GARN membership is developing at a constant rate. To date, and after an in-depth study, the Scientific Committee confirmed membership to 508 applicants: 273 from Europe, 113 from Asia/Oceania, 77 from North America, 28 from South America, 9 from Africa and 8 from the Middle East.

Membership: Should your center wish to submit its candidacy, please apply online at www.celsius-exhibition.com/iagg/ and kindly complete the questionnaire as thoroughly as possible, in order for us to collect details on its works, teams, publications etc.

Website: GARN launched a dedicated website <http://www.garn-network.org> for more efficient exchanges within the Network community. Since June 2012, it gives information on: membership, congress agenda, publications on line, E-Newsletter, latest news from GARN centers, job opportunities.

Newsletter: The first GARN Newsletter was launched on June 30th, 2012 and treated two phenomena of aging: frailty and sarcopenia. The aim is to inform you regularly on latest research news such as findings, articles, events etc. Should you think that your center has information that could interest other Network members worldwide, please feel free to forward it to Constance de SEYNES (seynes@cict.fr)

Next steps for the GARN Network:

- The GARN is happy to invite its members to the 2nd International Conference on Sarcopenia Research (ICSR2012) that will take place at the Hilton Grand Vacations Suites, in Orlando USA, on December 6-7, 2012. This event is organized with the collaboration of the University of Florida.
 - *Late Breaking News from September 15th until October 15th, 2012* •See the preliminary program and other details on <http://www.icsr-sarcopenia.com>
- The Network will soon start research programs and on clinical trials issues such as frailty, diabetes, nursing homes.
- A presentation of each center will be published in a special issue of the JNHA (The Journal on Nutrition, Health and Aging), an IAGG official journal.