Fourth Irish Congress of Obstetrics, Gynaecology & Perinatal Medicine

Thursday 30 November - Friday 1 December 2017
The Kilkenny Convention Centre
Welcome

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the organising committee I would like to welcome you all to Kilkenny and to the 4th Irish Congress of Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Perinatal Medicine. The committee have put together a superb programme but of equal importance is the opportunity to meet with colleagues and friends and share the challenges and experiences of our profession. I am particularly grateful to Professor Lesley Regan, president of the RCOG for her valuable contribution. I would like to extend my thanks to all involved in planning and delivering this Congress and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible.

Dr Aoife Mullally, Chair ICOGPM

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*Registration starts at 5.00pm and the Masterclass starts at 5.30pm sharp.*

*Presentations on the night will incorporate key insights from leading experts. More information on the speakers and topics will be available here closer to the time.*

*All healthcare professionals are welcome to attend. You can attend in person or watch a live webcast at one of our webcast centres.*

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<td>'Citizens Assembly Recommendations on abortion - Clinical Perspectives'</td>
<td>Prof Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran (IOG)</td>
<td>Dr Cliona Murphy &amp; Dr Jennifer Donnelly</td>
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|            | • Irish Gynaecological Endoscopy Society (IGES)- See page 10         |                                |                                |                   |
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<td>Fertility Preserving Treatments for Cervical Cancer</td>
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<td>Deep endometriosis: A challenge</td>
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<td>Postnatal Corticosteroids and Newborn Outcomes</td>
<td>Professor Henry Halliday, Queen’s University Belfast (IPNS)</td>
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<td>MN-CMS; Birth of an electronic health record for Ireland</td>
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<td>&quot;Should we resuscitate babies born at 22 weeks?&quot;</td>
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<td>Single centre experience with cystoscopic injection of onabotulinumtoxin a for the treatment of overactive bladder</td>
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### Break out Session –

**Irish Society of Gynaecological Oncology (ISGO)**

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**Break out Session**

**Irish Perinatal Society**

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Guest Speaker Biographies

**Professor Lesley Regan**  
President, Royal College Of Obstetricians And Gynaecologists  
Professor Lesley Regan became the 30th President of the RCOG in September 2016. She is Head of Obstetrics & Gynaecology at St Mary’s Campus, Imperial College London. Her principal clinical and research interests are in recurrent miscarriage and the development of non-invasive fertility-sparing therapies for uterine fibroids. At Imperial she is Deputy Head of Surgery and Cancer, chair of the Equality and Diversity Committee, Director of the Women’s Health Research Centre and Co-Director of the UK pregnancy Baby Bio Bank. She also chairs the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death.

As President, Professor Regan’s aspirations are to build on her work in her previous role as Vice President for Strategic Development: to increase the influence and profile of the College and ensure we are the first port of call for policy-makers, professionals, the press and the public. A key priority is the development of our new Centre for Global Women’s Health, which will allow us to use our expertise in education and clinical quality to improve women’s health care around the world in a more strategic way. A major project for the new Centre will be to secure funding for phase 2 of the College’s Leading Safe Choices programme, which aims to strengthen the competence and raise the standing of family planning professionals in South Africa and Tanzania. See the programme for opportunities to find out more about the Leading Safe Choices programme.

In the UK, Professor Regan will be leading our work to build on the success of the RCOG’s Lindsay Stewart Centre for Audit and Clinical Informatics, ensuring we are able to translate clinical data and priorities into health policy and improved clinical practice. Another area of focus will be supporting the workforce by developing our capacity to report on and influence workforce developments. The College will be emphasising the importance of developing perinatal mental healthcare provision with maternity services, building on the success of the RCOG’s 2016 International Women’s Day event on ‘Joining up care in maternal mental health’. Professor Regan will also continue to develop the College’s advocacy programme.

Professor Regan has also published two successful books on miscarriage and pregnancy for the public and presented a series of BBC Horizon documentaries. In 2015 she received an honorary fellowship of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and was awarded a Doctorate of Science from University College London for her contributions to women’s health.

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**Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran**  
PhD DSc FRCS FRCOG  
Foundation Professor of O&G, University of Nicosia, Professor Emeritus of O& G, St George’s, University of London, Visiting Professor –Institute of Global Health, Imperial College, London  
Former President of the International Federation of Obstetrics & Gynecology (FIGO) 2012-2015; the British Medical Association (BMA) (‘13-’14) & the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) (‘07-’10)  
Member, National Academy of Sciences, USA & Hon Fellow of ACOG  
Knight Bachelor in recognition of Services to Medicine & Health Services by Her Majesty the Queen - Birthday Honours List – June 2009
Dr Caitriona Henchion
IFPA Medical Director
Graduated University College Dublin, 1988
Qualifications: MB BCh BAO, Dip Child Health, Dip Obstetrics; Family Planning Certificate, LARC Certificate, Contraceptive Tutor, LARC Tutor
Dr Caitriona Henchion has been Medical Director of the Irish Family Planning Association since 2008.
She specialises in sexual health and contraception and is a member of the Irish Association of Sexual and Reproductive Health Care Professionals and of the European Society of Contraception.
In her role as Medical Director, Dr Henchion leads the IFPA medical services, including its post-abortion medical care service. She has presented expert testimony to the Citizens’ Assembly on the Eighth Amendment and to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on the Eighth Amendment.
As well as clinical work, she delivers the IFPA’s medical CPD training for health professionals, which is approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI).

Mr Dudley Robinson
Dudley Robinson trained at the Royal London Hospital qualifying in Medicine with MBBS in 1991. Throughout his training in Obstetrics and Gynaecology he has worked in and around London prior to undertaking a 3 year research fellowship with Professor Linda Cardozo in the Department of Urogynaecology at Kings College Hospital, London.
He has published widely in the field of urogynaecology and research interests include the effect of hormones and drugs on the lower urinary tract. His MD thesis at the University of London is entitled ‘Anti-diuresis in the management of daytime urinary incontinence’ and investigated the use of desmopressin nasal spray as a ‘designer drug’ for women with daytime urinary incontinence.
Subsequently he completed a two-year sub-specialty training programme in Urogynaecology at Kings and was appointed as a Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist with a subspecialty interest in Urogynaecology at Kings College Hospital in July 2005.
He continues to publish widely in the field of Urogynaecology and interests include patient outcome measures in addition to the influence of drugs and hormones on the lower urinary tract. He continues to have an active role in research in lower urinary tract dysfunction within the department and supervises two subspecialty trainees and two research fellows. Currently he is Research and Development Lead in Women’s Services at Kings College Hospital.
In addition he has an active role teaching both undergraduates and post graduates.
He regularly gives invited lectures both nationally and internationally and is on the editorial board on the International Urogynaecology Journal.
He has published over 40 peer review papers, 70 published abstracts, 55 review articles and 37 book chapters. In addition he has co-authored two books on urinary incontinence.
He was appointed as honorary senior lecturer at Kings College London in 2009 and as a fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in 2010. He is a fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine and a member of the council for the Obstetrics and Gynaecology Section.
He is also a member of the International Continence Society (ICS), British Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (BSCCP), UK Continence Society (UKCS), British Society of Urogynaecology (BSUG) and International Urogynaecology Association (IUGA) and European Urogynaecology Association.
**Professor Annette Kuhn**

Annette Kuhn is Head of the Department of Urogynaecology, University of Bern and Teaching Hospital of Bern, Switzerland. She trained in Switzerland and the UK and is member of the IUGA and BSUGS.

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**Prof Richard Anderson**

**Current Post**

Elsie Inglis Professor of Clinical Reproductive Science, University of Edinburgh

Head of Section, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Edinburgh

Consultant in Reproductive Medicine, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

**Biography**

Training in medicine was punctuated by PhD in MRC Brain Metabolism Unit in neuroendocrinology. Subsequently trained in Obstetrics and Gynaecology in Edinburgh, including a WHO Research Fellow post in Hormonal Male Contraception. After completing Subspecialty training in Reproductive Medicine as a lecturer at the University of Edinburgh with David Baird and a year in Sam Yen’s lab in San Diego he returned to the MRC Human Reproductive Sciences Unit in 1998 with a consultant post at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh. Subsequently appointed to current post in the University in 2005: over subsequent years he established a group investigating the female reproductive lifespan, with both laboratory and clinical aspects focusing on the establishment of the follicle pool in fetal life, and the assessment and mitigation of iatrogenic damage in girls and women. This includes the development of the UK’s first ovarian cryopreservation service for fertility preservation.

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**Dr Lucy-Ann Behan**

Consultant Endocrinologist, AMNC Hospital Tallaght, Dublin.

Dr. Lucy-Ann Behan completed her medical school training through the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 2003 and is a certified specialist in Medical Endocrinology. While looking after patients with pituitary disease who needed medical assistance to conceive, Dr. Behan developed a keen interest in reproductive endocrinology. She has published a number of original research articles in the area of pituitary and adrenal endocrinology. Dr Behan completed a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology through the Dept of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in University of Toronto.

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**Dr Stephen Dobbs**

Dr Stephen Dobbs is a Gynaecological Oncologist in the Belfast Trust working in the Northern Ireland Cancer Centre. His main interests are laparoscopic surgery for gynaecological cancer and ovarian cancer surgery. He is actively involved in clinical trials and has participated in many multicentre randomised trials.
Mr James English
Dr. Jim English MD MRCOG graduated from RCSI in 1983. He undertook his early training in Dublin before registrar/senior registrar positions at St. Bartholomew’s and Chelsea and Westminster Hospitals in London. He undertook a lecturer post with RCSI during which time he wrote his MD. He served as consultant gynaecologist and also Divisional Director of Women and Children’s services at Worthing Hospital, UK between 1998 and 2010 and subsequently as consultant gynaecologist at Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals until 2016. Dr. English is currently a consultant gynaecologist and partner in Endometriose in Balans based in Bronovo Ziekenhaus, The Hague, Netherlands which houses one of the busiest referral centres in Europe for women with severe endometriosis. He served on the council of the BSGE for several years and developed the UK national programme for laparoscopic hysterectomy training which has been piloted. Dr. English is one of the most experienced surgeons in the world in the surgical management of rectal endometriosis. He has taught extensively and presented and published widely on the surgical management of severe endometriosis.

Prof Linda Cardozo
Linda Cardozo is Professor of Urogynaecology and Consultant Gynaecologist at King’s College Hospital, London. She trained at Liverpool University Medical School and qualified MBChB in 1974. Thereafter she developed a special interest in urinary incontinence at St George’s Hospital under the aegis of Professor Stuart Stanton obtaining an MD in 1979, MRCOG in 1980, and FRCOG in 1991.

Professor Cardozo now heads a busy and productive multi-disciplinary tertiary referral urogynaecology department at King’s College Hospital. She has a large clinical workload dealing with complex urogynaecological problems in a supra-regional referral unit teaching medical students and training junior doctors. To date 8 subspecialty trainees and over 40 fellows have developed their urogynaecological skills at King’s generating 20 higher degrees, MD’s and PhD’s as well as numerous publications and presentations at International meetings. Professor Cardozo has directed this clinical research and her publications include more than 650 original papers in peer review journals, 25 books and 140 book chapters. Her H factor is 65 and she is a member of the editorial board of 9 scientific journals.

Professor Cardozo has been President of the International Urogynaecological Association, European Urogynaecological Association, Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Women’s Health and Section of Obstetrics and Gynaecology of the Royal Society of Medicine. She was the Founding Chairman of the British Society of Urogynaecology, Past Chairman of British Menopause Society and of the Education Committee of International Continence Society. She is currently Co-Chairman of the International Consultation on Incontinence. For many years she was an International Fellows Representative on the Council of Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists where she also served on many committees.
In 2013 Professor Cardozo received a lifetime achievement award from the International Urogynaecological Association. She was awarded an OBE in 2014 for services to Urogynaecology and Women’s Health. In 2016 she was honoured by the University of Athens with the title Doctor Honoris Causa.
**Professor Mary Horgan**
Professor Mary Horgan was elected as the 142nd President of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland. She took up this position at the Annual Stated Meeting in October 2017 and will serve a three-year term. Professor Horgan is the first woman President in our 360 year history. Originally from Kerry, Professor Horgan graduated from UCD in 1986. She was awarded her MD in 1995, MRCP in 1988 and FRCP in 1997. She serves on the Board of the Health Products Regulatory Authority and the Mercy University Hospital and on the Governing Body of UCC. She is formerly a Board Member of the Irish Blood Transfusion Service and was previously Chair of the Council of Deans of Medical Schools. She is a Consultant Physician in Infectious Diseases and Internal Medicine at Cork University Hospital and Dean of the University College Cork School of Medicine.

**Dr Namasivayam Ambalavanan**
"Dr. Ambalavanan attended medical school and a pediatric residency in India, followed by a pediatric residency and fellowship in neonatology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He has been on the faculty at the University of Alabama at Birmingham since 2000, and has been the Co-Director of the Division of Neonatology, the other Co-Director being Wally Carlo MD, at UAB since 2008, and Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellowship Training Program Director since 2009. He substantial leadership and administrative experience in both clinical neonatology as well as research (clinical, translational, and basic science) related to neonatology.

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