



Objet: Best wishes for 2026 and preliminary scientific programme
30th ISPO-France Scientific Congress

Dear **ISPO AUSTRIA**,
Dear Colleague, Dear Friend,

At the beginning of this new year, on behalf of the **French Prosthetics, Orthotics and Rehabilitation (P&O&R) professional community**, the **French Academy of Orthopaedics**, and together with the members of the **ISPO-France Executive Committee and Scientific Programme Committee**, I am very pleased to extend to you our **best wishes for 2026**, along with our most sincere hopes for good health, professional success, and meaningful projects within our international ISPO community.

The year 2026 opens with a very special milestone: the celebration of the **30th anniversary of the ISPO-France Scientific Congress**.

30th ISPO-France Scientific Congress
Cité Internationale – Palais des Congrès de Lyon, France
12-13 November 2026

We would like to express our **warmest thanks to the National Member Societies (NMS) and scientific groups** that have already responded positively to our invitation. Their early engagement is greatly appreciated and strongly encourages us in the development of this collective initiative.

We naturally **remain attentive to the responses** of the other National Member Societies and scientific groups, whose participation is **particularly anticipated**.

This anniversary edition is intended to be **exceptional**, both through the breadth of the scientific themes addressed and through the **strengthening of European and international collaboration** that we aim to promote. In this context, the contribution of each Society is essential and will directly support the success of this event.

We would therefore be highly honoured to count on your participation in the congress and, for those who wish, on your involvement in the **2026 Scientific Programme Committee (SPC)**.

The SPC schedule is currently being finalised, and meetings will be held online to facilitate broad international participation. During its first meeting, the ISPO-France Scientific Programme Committee developed a **preliminary scientific programme**, which we are pleased to share with you and which is presented in the second part of this message. We would very much welcome **your feedback and any suggestions** you may wish to share.

We hope that these themes will spark your interest as well as that of your members.

We reiterate our invitation to participate actively, according to several possible modalities, depending on your interests and availability:

- participation in the **Scientific Programme Committee** to contribute to the final scientific programme,
- participation as **session chair or moderator**,
- attendance at the congress, selected sessions, workshops, and the exhibition.

ISPO-France has implemented a **simultaneous translation system**, successfully tested during the 2025 edition, enabling all participants to fully benefit from all scientific communications.

Whatever the form of your participation, it will be essential to enrich discussions and to provide a comprehensive overview of current practices in **Prosthetics, Orthotics and Rehabilitation (P&O&R)** in Europe and beyond. We firmly believe that scientific meetings grounded in multidisciplinary foster lasting professional connections and strengthen the ISPO network of excellence worldwide.

You are therefore **cordially invited** to take part in this event, which will celebrate **30 years of scientific exchange, innovation and collaboration in the service of patients**.

From a financial perspective, we plan to offer **two full congress registrations per National Member Society**, including access to the scientific congress, the exhibition, the opening ceremony and the Gala Dinner.



Preferential registration fees will also be available for all members of your Society.
In addition, **registration fees for members of the Scientific Programme Committee**, as well as their access to the exhibition, the opening ceremony and the Gala Dinner, **will be fully covered**.

As this organisation is unprecedented, I invite you to contact me directly. I will be pleased to answer your questions and discuss the practical aspects of your participation: [✉ secretariat@ispo-france.com](mailto:secretariat@ispo-france.com) - [☎ +33 437 642 162](tel:+33437642162)

This approach may come as a surprise, but it is driven above all by a **spirit of openness, goodwill and collaboration**, focused on sharing experiences, strengthening interprofessional and inter-team relationships, and fostering collegial exchanges at the heart of the ISPO community.

We naturally remain at your disposal for any further information and thank you in advance for your attention to this message, as well as for your continued commitment to ISPO.

For organisational purposes, **a prompt response from you will be essential**, and we thank you sincerely in advance.

We very much look forward to the pleasure of working together and welcoming you to Lyon in November 2026.
Yours sincerely,

Jean-Pierre LISSAC
President, ISPO-France

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Preliminary scientific themes proposed by the ISPO-France Scientific Programme Committee

- Current developments in **lower-limb amputation**: Prosthetics & Orthotics and rehabilitation
- **Special theme: Upper and lower limb congenital malformations in children**
 - Epidemiology and early screening
 - Reference centres
 - Short-, medium- and long-term prosthetic and orthotic objectives
 - Sports participation
 - Role of surgery within the care pathway
 - Clinical case presentations
- **Special theme: Positioning – Postural orthotics**
 - Postural and biomechanical assessment
 - Orthotic management in paediatric and ageing populations
 - New technologies
 - Prevention
 - New prescriptions, clinical guidelines and reimbursement frameworks
- **Special theme: Role of prosthetic and orthotic management in the care pathway for children with cerebral palsy**
 - Advances in care
 - Regulatory framework
 - Orthoses and botulinum toxin
 - Body image and body representation
 - Transition from childhood to adulthood
- **Special theme: Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) approaches in orthopaedics in France and worldwide** (Plenary session and workshop)
- **Special theme: Sport, health and para sport**
 - Prosthetic and orthotic devices from clinical prescription to real-life sporting use
 - Sport for all
 - Focus on Winter Paralympic Games equipment
- Workshop: **Evolution of orthoses**
- **Artificial intelligence** and emerging technologies
- **Poster presentations**
- **Free papers and oral communications**: prosthetics, orthotics, podo-orthotics, rehabilitation
- **Clinical case presentations** with audience interaction
- **Industry sessions** (non-scientific, exhibitors only)