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Chair Update



Judith Richards
Chair, 2013
IFIC Board

Dear Colleagues,

IFIC's key aim is to promote international exchange of knowledge, information, ideas and support in the control of hospital acquired infections, by gathering and disseminating resource information among the associations, societies and other groups forming the Federation, arranging regular international multidisciplinary congresses, and – quite importantly- providing individuals in countries without infection control structures, with information and assistance to form such organisations.

IFIC has gone from strength to strength since its inception. In response to those pioneers who founded IFIC with a clear vision and ambition to see “an effective and functioning infection prevention and control system/organization in all countries across the world”, we now have a strong Society, which leads in its task of facilitating networking, and has effective links with other Societies across the globe

In recognition of international efforts in promoting IP&C, we set up the M.S. Favero Award 3 years ago, generously supported by J&J. It is always a great pleasure to recognise the international contributions made by the winner, and we welcomed at this year's Conference Prof. Shaheen Mehtar, one of our very early Board members, who has contributed so much, not only to IFIC, but also to IP&C in the UK, and in recent years in South Africa and neighbouring countries.

True to the spirit of those early founding members, The Board of Trustees of the International Federation of Infection Control (IFIC) would once again like to take this opportunity to welcome new members into the IFIC family, and wish them success in achieving their goals through, and in partnership with IFIC.

The publication of the annual report gives us the opportunity to express our gratitude to all our hard working Board members, and for the Board to express its thanks to our ex-officio members. They are all past Trustees, who have continued their close relationship with IFIC, by Chairing our Publications, Conference and Membership Committees, and acting as the Journal Editor. IFIC owes them a huge debt of gratitude, for their unstinting efforts and hard work. And this also applies to our Web master, and the Admin. and support staff whose hard work enables us to keep the Journal running, and our membership and financial affairs in good order! As always, the full participation of our Corporate members is key to our plans. We would also like to express our warmest thanks to them for their

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NEXT IFIC CONFERENCE

The Fourteenth International Congress of the International Federation of Infection Control will run from Wednesday 12 March until Saturday 15 March 2014 and will be held in St. Julian's, Malta, at the Hilton Malta.



See page 10 for programme information.



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Chair Update, continued

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continued and unstinting support. A number of major projects and initiatives are now under way:

- With the generous assistance of Becton Dickinson (BD), we have now completed the translation of the Basic Concepts book (4th Ed, published 2011) into Spanish, and with the support of Meiko more chapters of the translation into French are coming on stream. The translation into Italian has been completed in collaboration with our colleagues from SIMPIOS, and the Hungarian one is proceeding swiftly. Our thanks once again to Candy Friedman, Editor, for her careful guidance of these projects.
- The education project Group has been working hard to develop a virtual education course. All chapters have recently been completed, and all will be shortly available in the Members section of the web site.
- Another project, a questionnaire on the handling of human faeces and urine in health care settings, was reported last year. Our thanks to all of those who took the time to complete the survey. The results are currently being analysed, and will shortly be available on our web site.
- The first major grant (up to a value of £ 25,000/30,000), to facilitate “twinning/mentoring” between colleagues/countries/ facilities from low and more developed resource centres, has been advertised. We hope to see many applications for this exciting project, which will allow the winners to establish close working relationships between a centre of expertise in a developed country, and a facility in a less developed one (details available from our web site: www.theific.org).

We would also like to remind colleagues that the Membership survey is now open. It has been sent to all Member Societies, as well as Associate Members, and we look forward to the replies, as we believe they will help to shape future activities, and support developments.

The long awaited redesign of the web site is under way. It will bring an easier to use and more accessible facility, with an enhanced Members only area where Conference lectures, Annual reports and AGM minutes, as well as some Journal articles will be found.

We understand the current difficulties faced by Industry, and appreciate their generous help and support with these projects, and of course with the Conference which, in partnership with ADECI, has enabled us to be in the vibrant and exciting city of Buenos Aires for our Annual IFIC Congress. Also a very special thanks to the local Congress organizers, Samara- Enrique for all their hard work and commitment to make this event a success. In the true spirit of IFIC, and international collaboration, we are grateful for the attendance and excellent contributions of an ever growing number of allied Societies at this year's Conference.

Continuing with our planned commitment to hold alternate meetings in Europe, it has been decided that the next meeting will be in the beautiful island of Malta, from 12 to 15 March 2014.

Several expressions of interest to be the host for the 2015 meeting have been received. After much debate, the Conferences Committee and the Board have supported the application from our colleagues in India, and planning will shortly be under way.

Our collaborative support for work with the WHO continues, with the Global IP&C Network Group, and with the Clean Care is Safe Care programme team. Once again, we are very pleased with their active involvement and participation in this Conference.

Returning to our membership theme, we would like to ask all members to renew their membership subscription promptly, to have access to the ever increasing opportunities offered through our members' area on the web site.

A rolling programme has been established for the Associate membership, but as Societies and Associations around the world emerge and change, it is important that they too renew on time. The forms and details are included with this communication but they can also be downloaded from the IFIC website. Please also be sure to let us know of any changes to your Societies' email contact information, as this is the only way we can communicate with you all!

Dr Judith Richards (MB BS, FRCPath, UK), Chair, 2013 IFIC Board

ABSTRACT FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT

NEW IFIC MEMBER**Infection Prevention Nurses Association of Pakistan** www.ipna.com.pk

Chairperson/President: Arifa Khatoon
 Secretary: Saleemah Dossa
 Treasurer: Dilnasheen safdar
 Office bearer or other: Altaf Ahmed
 Riffat Shaheen
 Mehreen Kanwal
 Muhammad Iqbal
 Shabnum Basheer
 Azra Qureshi
 Samina

WELCOME!**IFIC AGM 2013**

The 2013 Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday Oct 3rd with **22** member society delegates present. The minutes of the meeting will be sent to all Members and will be found on IFIC's web site (www.theific.org).

**IFIC AGM 2014 —
NOTICE OF DATE**

The 2014 Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday March 14th!



WANT TO JOIN IFIC AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER? GO TO
[http:// www.theific.org/reg1b.asp](http://www.theific.org/reg1b.asp)—75£ for a 3-year membership
 (£15/three years or £5/year fee for individuals from low income countries)

Free teleclasses

Teleclasses are held monthly and focus on emerging key topics in infection prevention and control, including the perspective of settings with limited resources. Take advantage of this excellent virtual training opportunity to keep up-to-date alongside colleagues from around the globe! In order to participate, visit <http://webbertraining.com/schedulep1.php>.

YOU CAN PAY FOR A FULL YEAR SUBSCRIPTION

To save approximately 40% on teleclass registration fees, to access ALL of the 2013 teleclasses (including those added through the year), ALL of the slides and handouts, and access to ALL of the on-line recordings, consider registering for a Full Year Subscription - <https://webbertraining.com/subscriptioninfoc50.php>. Members in low-resource nations are automatically registered for a Full Year Subscription at no cost.

FREE-ACCESS RECORDINGS LIBRARY - RECENT ADDITIONS

- October 17, 2013 - The Road to CIC Certification: Getting Started and Working Toward Success, with Prof. R Carrico and Dr. K Suh
- October 9, 2013 - Implementing Infection Control Through a Patient Safety Partnership Approach in Africa, with J Storr
- October 2, 2013 - The Technical and Socio-Adaptive Aspects of Preventing Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection, with Prof. S Saint
- October 2, 2013 - The World Needs More Clean Hospitals, with Dr. S Dancer
- October 2, 2013 - MRSA - Past, Present ... and Future?, with Prof. B Cookson
- October 1, 2013 - The Challenges of Infection Prevention and Control in Japan, with Prof. Hi Kobayashi
- October 1, 2013 - International Forum on Infection Prevention and Control, with Prof D Fisher, R Garcia, Dr. H Sax, and C Fry

NEW POSTERS!!

Twelve new infection prevention and control posters are available. The downloadable jpg and pdf files are posted at <http://webbertraining.com/freeposterdownloadsc97.php> (along with the 61 that were already available there). Thanks to project sponsors Virox Technologies, Accel, Sage, GOJO, Diversey, and 3M.



World Health Organization

Look at the **WHO** and **5 May 2013** web pages for updates and new documents! You will find:

- ⇒ **5 May 2013** featured on the [WHO home page](#)
- ⇒ [Updated map](#) of **SAVE LIVES: Clean Your Hands** registrations
- ⇒ [Updated map](#) of countries/areas running **hand hygiene campaigns**
- ⇒ New guidance document: [Hand hygiene promotion in health care - Tips for patients](#)
- ⇒ [New page](#) and hand hygiene tools translated in **Arabic**. We thank very much the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office for support to finalize these tools.
- ⇒ [New page](#) and hand hygiene tools translated in **Chinese**
- ⇒ [Spanish version](#) of the **WHO Guide on Hand Hygiene in Outpatient and Home-based Care and Long-term Care Facilities**. We thank very much the **Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality of Spain** for outstanding collaboration to develop this document and translate it in Spanish.

IFIC UPDATES

SURVEY: [Major IFIC membership survey now extended until December 2013!!](#) This survey seeks your views, either as a Member Society or as an Associate Member, on IFIC's current activities and services, and future directions. Please access by clicking on <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3W7GY2V>. (Please note you can fill the survey only once, either on behalf of a Member Society, or as an Associate member.)

We are also pleased to announce that we will hold a **draw amongst all completed entries**, and will be offering **3 free registrations for Associates**, to attend the IFIC 2014 Conference in Malta in March. There will also be a draw for a further 3 free registration slots offered to Member Societies, for them to distribute as they see appropriate amongst their own members.

Major exchange/twinning /mentoring Grant: [This new, exciting initiative is now open to applicants from all over the world](#). If you are interested in developing a mentoring partnership with colleagues from other countries, this is your chance to submit an application!

MS FAVERO award: Do not forget to nominate your preferred IP&C practitioner with an international trajectory, for this award which recognizes lifetime achievements and dedication to the field. Deadline for nominations now extended until December 2013! See page 11.

Past Conference presentations: Following numerous requests, it has been agreed that presentations from past Conferences will be **freely available** on our web site for a **limited period of 3 months**, following which they will be accessed from the "Members" only section".

2013 IFIC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Christian Jose Pallares Gutierrez, Columbia "Implementation of a programme of Regulated Antibiotic Use in 2 Surgical-Clinical Intensive Care Units in Columbia". This scholarship was made possible by the Norwegian Forum for Infection Control.

Cecilia Camerano, Argentina (session co-chair)

Carol Goldman, Canada (session co-chair)

Ricardo Araujo da Silva, Brazil

"Infections Related to Invasive Devices Caused by Multidrug Resistant Organisms in Paediatric Intensive Care Unit. Analysis of Four Years". This scholarship was made possible by the Community & Hospital Infection Control Association—Canada.

Kampong Kamnon, Thailand

"Effects of Using Video Media on Knowledge and Health Beliefs in Prevention of TB Transmission of Newly Diagnosed Pulmonary TB Patients"

Laura Alonso, Argentina

"The patient's Family as Observer of Hand Hygiene". This scholarship was made possible by IFIC.

Photo by Glenda Schuh

IFIC acknowledges and thanks many member societies and individuals for directly supporting the participation of scholarship delegates, especially the Infection Prevention Society, which sponsored 10 conference registrations to regional applicants.



International Journal of Infection Control

Prof. Smilja Kalenic, from Croatia, is the Journal Editor. She is supported by Elizabeth Scicluna as Journal Administrator and an excellent Board of Assistant Editors (Steve Barrett, and Bill Newsom). Thank you to all those who submit their papers to IJIC and please keep them coming! Contact Ms Elizabeth Anne Scicluna at elizabeth.scicluna@theific.org

International Journal of Infection Control recently published its latest issue at <http://www.ijic.info/>. We invite you to review the Table of Contents here and then visit our web site to review articles and items of interest. Thanks for the continuing interest in our work,

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Editorial Commentary

Smilja Kalenic

Original Articles

Use of cloth masks in the practice of infection control – evidence and policy gaps *AA Chughtai, H Seale, CR MacIntyre*

Influence of surface and cloth characteristics on mechanical removal of meticillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) attached to inanimate environmental surfaces in hospital and healthcare facilities *AA Mafu, R Massicotte, G Pichette, S Lafleur, M-J Lemay, D Ahmad*

Efficacy of titanium dioxide compounds in preventing environmental contamination by meticillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) *WL Chow, AS Tin, WW Lim, J Lim, A Kurup, ML Ling, AL Tan, BC Ong*

Emerging HIV epidemic in north-eastern Ukraine: monitoring among different population groups *A Piddubna, M Chemych*

Evaluation of vaginal flora and antibiotic prophylaxis in elective hysterectomy in a rural hospital from India *KV Mahadik, A Pathak, H Shah, MR Purohit*

Practice Forum

A quality improvement project in a hospital in rural Nepal – improving infection control practice using the ‘Plan, Do, Study, Act’ (PDSA) cycle *K Kong, S Kong*

Short Reports

Central venous catheter-related blood stream infections in neonatal care unit *RI Badr, E Hammad, MF Salama, B Shouman, H Abdel-Hady, N Nasef*

INVITATION TO SUBMIT MANUSCRIPTS

We invite you to submit your manuscripts to be considered for publication in the International Journal of Infection Control (IJIC). The aim of the journal is to provide a forum for infection control (IC) professionals to disseminate research and practice information and encourage IC initiatives on an international level.

The journal is fully electronic and can be accessed at <http://www.ijic.info>. The submission is performed online and you can keep track of the whole process in the authors’ section of the IJIC website. Submissions can be:

Review articles: 5000 words maximum; comprehensive references; 5-10 key words; unstructured abstract up to 250 words.

Original articles: 5000 words maximum; comprehensive references; 5-10 key words; unstructured abstract up to 250 words.

Short reports: Case reports can be submitted if they illustrate some exceptional point in the field of infection prevention and control. 1000 words maximum; up to 10 references.

Practice Forum: Submissions of a more descriptive account of how IC practitioners or teams tackled a specific challenge or brought about improvement in the prevention or control of healthcare-associated infections in their institution or country. 2000 words maximum; unstructured format.

Letters to the editor: Correspondence to the Editor may refer to material published recently in IJIC or alternatively describe brief accounts of new observations or on other matters of interest. 500 words maximum; unstructured format.

Looking forward to your submissions.

BASIC CONCEPTS

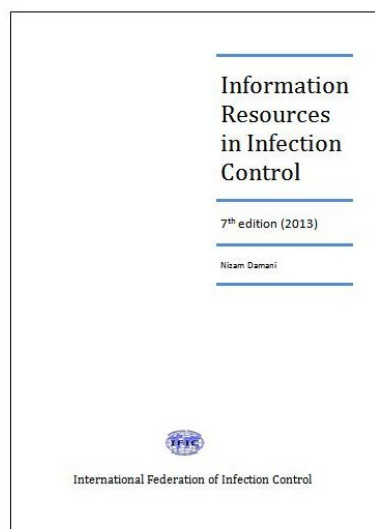
IFIC continues with its aim to provide up-to-date, scientifically sound tools and educational materials that can be used by professionals the world over. This new edition of IFIC Basic Concepts of Infection Control builds on its predecessors, enhancing and updating in a scientific way the knowledge required as a foundation on which local policies and procedures can be developed. Most chapters have been reviewed and brought up-to-date by an international panel of experts, and new ones have been added to ensure this new edition provides a sound comprehensive knowledge base. IFIC Basic Concepts of Infection Control is available at http://www.theific.org/basic_concepts/index.htm.



Helping all people
live healthy lives

The publication and dissemination of this book in English was made possible through an unrestricted educational grant from BD. The International Federation of Infection Control is extremely grateful for their support.

Basic Concepts is available in languages other than English thanks to BD, Meiko, Board members, and our member societies. A recent addition is the Spanish translation—with thanks to BD. Chapters 1—5, 10 and 12 of the French version are also available—with thanks to Meiko. Hungarian chapters 1-3, 20, 22 and 28 thanks to the Hungarian Society of Infection Control Practitioners [Magyar Infekciókontroll Társaság]. Check the web site for updates as chapters are added!



Information Resources in Infection Control

The 7th edition (2013) of the Information Resources in Infection Control is now available on IFIC's web site. The aim of the IFIC Information Resources in Infection Control is to provide key references, publications and website addresses to infection prevention and control practitioners worldwide. The booklet is updated on an annual basis. Many thanks to Dr Nizam Damani for updating this valuable resource.

Want these infection prevention and control resources on your smartphone, tablet or e-reader? It's easy to do—just download the PDF file from IFIC's web site & save it to your book app—it will be available whenever you want to view it!

IFIC BOARD REGIONAL COORDINATORS

IFIC Board members are appointed as regional coordinators to channel regional queries and to have that person a liaison between member societies in that region and the board. The membership secretary is the link and coordinator for these regional coordinators. The regional coordinators are as follows:

America 1*:	Terrie Lee
America 2**:	Carolina Giuffré
Europe:	Emese Szilagyi/Anni Juhl-Jørgensen
Asia:	Patricia Ching Tai-Yin
EMRO:	Nagwa Khamis
Africa:	Abimbola Sowande

*USA, Canada, Japan, Israel, Australia & New Zealand

** South & Central America, Mexico & West Indies

New IFIC Board Member

For the next 4 year term (beginning Jan 2014) there was one vacancy from region C and two nominations were received. An electronic ballot was held and the result is: **Dr Biljana Carevic** Nominated by the Serbian Association of Prevention and Infection Control (SAPIC). We would like to formally thank both candidates for their commitment and willingness to serve!

Dr. Carevic has been working as a hospital epidemiologist at the Clinical Center of Serbia, the largest hospital in the region (3600 patients beds) for the last 18 years. She was the first infection control doctor in Serbia.

Her facility was part of the EU FP6 Project **MOSAR- Mastering hOspital Anti-microbial Resistance** in Europe and Project that was completed in June 2010. Since 2011 they are a partner in the EU FP7 Project **SATURN – Impact of Specific Antibiotic Therapies on the Prevalence of Human Host Resistant Bacteria**. In 2013 they began a new project: **EU FP7 Project R-GNOSIS- Resistance in Gram Negative Organisms studying Intervention Strategy**. She has been either a Pprtner or coordinator in the projects.

Retiring Board Member

Dr. Emese Szilagyi, Hungary (Zone C, Europe 2) Is leaving the IFIC Board at the end of this year. She was recognised and thanked for





her commitment and work as a trustee for the past 4 years at the AGM in Buenos Aires.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our Corporate Partners for their support and assistance in the fulfillment of our projects and initiatives



SAVE THE DATES!

<p>Fourteenth International Congress of the International Federation of Infection Control St. Julian's, Malta 12-15 March 2014</p> 	<p>Fifteenth International Congress of the International Federation of Infection Control New Delhi, India 2015</p>
<p>Joint IPNET-K/ICAN Conference 2013 Mombassa, Kenya 6-8 November</p>  	<p>16th International Congress on Infectious Diseases (ICID) 2-4 April 2014 Cape Town, South Africa</p> 
<p>European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Barcelona, Spain 10-13 May 2014</p> 	<p>CHICA 2014 National Education Conference Halifax, Nova Scotia 25-28 May</p> 
<p>APIC Annual Conference 2014 Anaheim, California 7-9 June</p> 	<p>9th Healthcare Infection Society International Conference (with French Society for Hospital Hygiene) Lyon, France 16-18 November 2014</p> 

See <http://www.chica.org/ific/ific.php> for more information.



FOURTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF INFECTION CONTROL

12-15 March 2014 | Hilton Malta, St. Julians, Malta
www.ific2014.com



CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The 14th Congress of the International Federation of Infection Control (IFIC2014) will run from Wednesday 12 March 2014 until Saturday 15 March 2014. The official language of the congress shall be English. Further information on the congress can be accessed from the website: www.ific2014.com

CONFERENCE VENUE

Hilton Malta Hotel

Portomaso, St. Julians PTM01, Malta

Website: <http://www.hiltonmaltahotel.com>

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REGISTRATION

Registration can be performed online or by downloading the registration form from the congress website and mailing or faxing it to the organisers. All applications should be accompanied by payment of the full registration fee, either using credit card or bank transfer.

	Until 31 January 2014	After	On site registration
Developing countries	€300	€350	€500
IFIC Associate Members	€300	€350	€500
Other delegates	€350	€400	€500
Accompanying	€100	€125	€150

Registration fee for participants includes:

access to scientific and exhibition areas and sessions, congress bag and scientific programme, abstract CD including IFIC educational resources, welcome reception, coffee breaks, buffet lunches during full days.

Registration fee for accompanying persons includes:

welcome reception, two half-day tours.

ACCOMMODATION

A range of hotel accommodation will be available in various categories and price ranges. Hotel bookings will be possible from **01 September 2013** via the congress website.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

An interesting social programme, including half and full day tours and excursions, will also be available.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

As with previous editions, IFIC2014 will guarantee an outstanding educational experience for a multi-disciplinary delegate mix. This shall be achieved through a combination of state-of-the-art lectures, symposia, pro-con debates, workshops and industry organised sessions.

Much has happened in Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) over the past decades. Awareness about hand hygiene has increased exponentially; new tools such as care bundles have materialised. Yet, we still face a common challenge: persuading colleagues to change behaviour and adopt evidence based IPC practices that have been proven to make a difference.

As a result, the theme chosen for the conference is:

Understanding behaviour; Implementing change

IFIC 2014 will aim to underline the problems we all face in our attempts to introduce changes in practices that will lead to clear, sustainable improvements in the prevention and control of healthcare infections. The programme will present experiences from all over the world to help understand IPC behaviour and potential approaches to affect change. The conference will be a unique opportunity for individuals involved or interested in IPC to learn and participate in topics which are rarely featured in conferences, including:

- Behaviour change strategies to improve IPC compliance
- Simplifying the message, achieving behaviour change
- Achieving change through improved audit and feedback
- Recognising and addressing IPC dogmas & rituals
- Transposing change management theory into healthcare settings
- Novel approaches to change management in infection control
- Accelerating the integration of human factors with IPC
- Understanding and addressing organisational culture
- Educating for change
- Learning from others: success stories in IPC
- In addition, other sessions / topics will discuss:
- Pro-con debates:
 - Laminar flow in orthopaedic operations
 - Cost-effectiveness of barrier precautions
- Implementing evidence-based Infection Control in Intensive Care
- Addressing the threat of MDR Gram negatives.
- Reducing MRSA bacteraemia in high incidence countries
- Prevention of surgical site infection
- Antibiotic stewardship
- Prevention of bloodstream infections
- Prevention of urinary tract infection
- Infection control in limited resources
- Prevention of healthcare associated pneumonia
- Endoscope decontamination
- Prevention of sharps injuries
- Terminal disinfection of patient rooms

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

All abstracts for oral and poster presentations should be submitted in English. The deadline for abstract submission is **15 November 2013**. Submissions can be:

- **Research-based:** describing a formal study on a specific aspect of infection prevention and control.
- **"How we did it":** a more descriptive account how a specific health-care associated infection challenge was tackled and/or improvement achieved.

IFIC Martin S. Favero 2014 Award for Active Contribution to Global Infection Prevention & Control

This award has been created to honour the international contributions of Martin S. Favero, Ph.D. in the field of infection prevention & control and is kindly sponsored by Advanced Sterilization Products, Irvine, CA.

It aims to recognize the lifetime achievements of those working in the field of infection prevention and control, who have made significant contributions to global infection prevention. One recipient will be selected each year and will receive the award at the annual conference of International Federation of Infection Control (IFIC).

Eligibility

Persons eligible for the Martin S. Favero Award should be professionals practicing infection prevention and control within a health care setting for at least three years. They should additionally meet the following criteria:

1. Be a recognized expert who has made significant contributions to the field of infection prevention and control at an international level, especially in developing countries and/or limited resource regions.
2. Have evidence of outstanding and significant contributions to the fields of infection prevention as evident by publications (e.g., peer-reviewed scientific publications, chapters in professional texts, etc.) and/or presentations at national and international professional conferences.
3. Achieved international recognition as an investigator and authority in infection prevention.
4. Have a reputation for giving an excellent presentation.
5. Must not have received the award in previous years.

Application/Nominations

- Nominations are solicited from IFIC member societies as well as Corporate and Associate Members.
- Nominees will be judged by an appointed selection committee which will examine the curriculum vitae, a nomination letter and at least one letter of support.

Nomination Deadline

Nominations must be submitted on or before 31st December, 2013.

Nomination Process

- Completed applications should be addressed to the Chair, International Federation of Infection Control through an email sent to awards@theific.org. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.
- The email should include:
 - Full details of the nominating member.
 - A nominator's written explanation for choosing the candidate
 - A current curriculum vitae that includes research activities, publications, international activities relevant to the subject of infection prevention.
 - One letter of support and two professional references; each professional reference must include name, title, address, phone number and email address, if available.

Selection Process

- The IFIC Chair will assemble a team of at least three (3) persons to serve as the selection committee for this award.
- The selection committee will review the applications using a scoring grid based on pre-established criteria and scoring guidelines.
- The winning nominee will then be submitted to the Chair for approval.

Award Process

- The winner will be notified of the decision by end January 2014, and invited to attend the annual IFIC conference, present the Marty S. Favero keynote lecture and receive the Award.
- IFIC will also inform Martin S. Favero (or his designee) and Advanced Sterilization Products of the winner.
- The organizations/persons submitting a nomination will be sent a letter notifying them of the name of the winner, and thanking them for their efforts.