

Constitution of the African Society of Paediatric Imaging (AfSPI)

1. Formation

- a. AfSPI is formally inaugurated in June 2012

2. Legal Status

- a. AfSPI is established as a Sub-group of African Society of Radiology

3. Objectives

- a. The aim of AfSPI is to advance Paediatric imaging in Africa and to coordinate the activities of this subspecialty on the African continent.
- b. AfSPI will represent a united African pediatric imaging fraternity for participation in international activities, such as those of the **World Federation of Pediatric Imaging**
- c. The aims of AfSPI will be achieved by AfSPI sanctioned or AfSPI organised workshops, road shows as well as a **paediatric imaging tract at the bi-ennial ASR meeting**. CME activities will be coordinated with the knowledge and general approval of the ASR.
- d. AfSPI will strive to be involved with continuing professional development activities in Paediatric Imaging through the support of:
 - i. Fellowship training programs
 - ii. Subspecialty accreditation programs
 - iii. Teaching and training of registrars
 - iv. Publications in paediatric imaging
 - v. Web based activities
 - vi. Teacher and student exchange programs
- e. Research and Publication of paediatric imaging will be strongly supported (possibly through funded awards programs or by directing candidates to international awards)
- f. Guidelines and advice will be provided to members and affiliates of the ASR regarding paediatric imaging and safety.

- g. AfSPI will attempt to perform outreach activities to benefit its members with needs in paediatric imaging, both in the clinical and educational arena.
- h. AfSPI will serve to communicate matters of interest to radiologists imaging children through electronic mail, or the ASR / WFPI website

4. Membership

- a. All paid up members of the ASR are eligible for membership by application
- b. Members need not be accredited sub-specialists but only require to practice pediatric imaging or have an interest in paediatric imaging
- c. Academic Faculty
 - i. Healthcare professionals who are not African residents and who are not members of the ASR, but who have an established interest in paediatric imaging and research may be invited by the Exco of AfSPI to become part of the academic faculty.
 - ii. Any such invitation will require formal ratification at a subsequent meetings of the executive.
 - iii. Academic Faculty are not formal members of AfSPI and have no voting rights but may contribute to AfSPI activities and will be honoured for this through faculty membership

5. Executive Committee

- a. An executive committee will be elected on an biennial basis and will consist of following:
 - i. Chairman
 - ii. Vice Chairman
 - iii. Secretary
 - iv. Treasurer
 - v. Communications officer

- b. The term of office and the process of election of Office Bearers will follow that defined in the Constitution of the ASR.
- c. Executive officers will represent at least one member of the four defined African regions (North Africa/mediteranean; West Africa, East Africa and Southern Africa).
- d. The founding members of the executive will not be elected but will serve the interests of the society for the first term of office to initiate activity and administration procedures.

6. Financial

- a. Financial matters will fall under the auspices and control of the ASR
- b. AfSPI will have access (on application) to any finances it has generated, which will be under the care of the ASR treasurer, to achieve its objectives.
- c. The AfSPI treasurer will keep a record of any ‘ring fenced’ funds generated from activities, fees or donations under care of the ASR treasurer
- d. AfSPI may levy a special membership subscription fee to its members should this be required to achieve its objectives.
- e. AfSPI will notify the ASR of any request for industry sponsorship and financial assistance for paediatric imaging activities, courses and roadshows with the ASR

7. Communication

- a. AfSPI is entitled to make use of the communication channels and structures of the ASR
- b. A membership database will be established that is accessible to all full members of AfSPI, ASR and the Academic Faculty.

Approved: (Name) (Signature)

Chairman: (Name) (Signature)

Secretary: (Name) (Signature)

Date:

Place: