

## Recognizing Our Colleagues Around the World

### ACCE / HTF 2012 International ACEW Award

The Healthcare Technology Management (HTM) graduate program at the University of Cape Town in South Africa led by Mladen Poluta, Mr. Poluta has been a key faculty member of ACEWs in 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2006, among his academic program's many contributions to improved HTM in the African region and globally.

### ACCE / ORBIS 2011 International ACEW Award

CENETEC – the National Center for Health Technology Excellence of Mexico– led by Director General María Luisa González Rétiz, MBA. CENETEC colleagues from Mexico have participated in several ACEWs, beginning in 1991, and hosted others such as in Mexico City and Mazatlan in 1998.

### ACCE / ORBIS 2010 International ACEW Award

CENGETS- PUCP, in Lima, Peru. Health Technopole CENGETS- PUCP is the National Center for Clinical Engineering and Health Technology Management, serving the Ministry of Health, based out of the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru. CENGETS- PUCP is co-led by Luis Vilcahuamán, clinical engineer, and Rossana Rivas, health economist, since 2005.

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supports and advances  
patient care by  
applying engineering and  
managerial skills to  
healthcare technology*

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## International Outreach



Supporting  
Clinical Engineering  
and Healthcare  
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## ACCE's International Committee

**Vision:** Excellence in Clinical Engineering (CE) /Health Technology Management (HTM) is available to all worldwide.

**Mission:** Work with in-country partners to facilitate further development of CE/HTM.

### Goals:

- Identify priority activities within HTM and identify partners we can work with to operationalize these activities.
- Share CE/HTM knowledge through training and information exchange according to the local needs.
- Promote & advocate CE/HTM starting with highest priority countries, then moving on to others on continuum.
- Build recognition for the profession of CE/HTM

## Advanced Clinical Engineering Workshops (ACEWs)

These workshops provide an educational forum whereby clinical engineers and related health professionals in other countries are introduced to the clinical engineering management systems and working methods practiced in the U.S., and to exchange information and ideas pertinent to CE and HTM in that country. The workshops also provide an opportunity for engineers in the host country to learn about the ACCE and become members.

ACCE has conducted over 46 ACEWs, in over 29 countries, with over 4,075 attendees. The ACEW faculty is comprised of distinguished expert volunteers from the ACCE membership.

Among the many outcomes of ACEWs, ACCE is proud to have been instrumental in contributing to:

- The promotion of National Policies in HTM
- The Advocacy for the incorporation of HTM in National Health Plans
- The development of Medical Device Regulatory Programs
- The organization of National Health Technology Centers (CENETEC, CENGETS)
- The promotion of Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Programs
- The work of the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in strengthening HTM worldwide
- The promotion of CE in the Academic Sector

## The WHO/PAHO, Clinical Engineering/HTM List

(formerly known as INFRATECH)

This global Internet discussion group, established in January 1999, is managed by ACCE and is intended to support developing countries with issues concerning HTM and CE.

The discussions take place by email and the mailing list is managed by 'LISTSERV' software that operates on the PAHO server.

To join the WHO/PAHO, CE/HTM discussion group, please send an email to [listserv@listserv.paho.org](mailto:listserv@listserv.paho.org), with the following in the body of the email: subscribe infratech John Smith (Substitute your own name for "John Smith")

## Additional Support

ACCE can, either directly, or by mobilizing its professional membership, assist with requests for, among others:

- Establishing CE societies
- Establishing CE certification programs
- Donations (books, publications, medical equipment, test equipment, spare parts, etc.)
- Financial support for attending seminars and conferences in the US and abroad
- Video conferences, phone conferences, presentations, or invited speakers for conferences
- Clinical engineering student internship sponsorships by ACCE member organizations
- Visiting faculty to universities and technical colleges
- Technical input in the organization of HTM programs and CE departments