PRESS RELEASE

IAFR Statement on the formation of the International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging and the release of the Journal of Forensic Radiology and Imaging

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The IAFR welcomes the foundation of the International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) and the announcement of the forthcoming publication of a journal dedicated to forensic radiology and imaging. (See attached press release). Both developments provide a multi-disciplinary focus for forensic and post mortem imaging.

The IAFR is pleased to announce that Mark Viner, IAFR founder member and external liaison officer has been confirmed as a member of the ISFRI board and a member of the editorial board of the new journal. The committee of IAFR and board of ISFRI look forward to working together over the coming months towards the continued global development of forensic radiology and developing plans for the two organisations to offer reciprocal benefits for their members.

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We are pleased to announce the formation of the International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging as well as the release of the Journal of Forensic Radiology and Imaging

Forensic imaging is a globally growing subspecialty of Radiology and Forensic Medicine. In order to promote best practice in forensic radiology and imaging through communication and cooperation an international group of Forensic Pathologists, Radiologists, Radiographers and Surveying Engineers have founded the International Society of Forensic Radiology and Imaging (ISFRI) on the 14th of November 2011 in Zurich, Switzerland.

The two most prominent board members of the ISFRI are Michael Thali (Switzerland) and Mark Viner (UK), who have both been active in the field for more than 10 years and recently co-edited the new edition of Gil Brogdon’s benchmark textbook on forensic radiology Brogdon’s Forensic Radiology.

Michael Thali is Chairman and Full Professor at the Institute of Forensic Medicine at the University of Zurich. He is an internationally recognized expert and pioneer in forensic radiology and virtual autopsy (www.virtopsy.com). He is the author of numerous scientific articles and co-editor of the textbook The Virtopsy Approach.

Mark Viner is a Fellow at the Forensic Institute of Cranfield University and Chief Executive of The Inforce Foundation (www.inforce.org.uk). He is a founder member and first chair of the International Association of Forensic Radiographers (www.iafr.org.uk). He is advisor to the Government Office in London on forensic radiography.

The aims of the newly founded Society are to strengthen and develop the field of forensic radiology and imaging worldwide. This includes promoting best practice and developing international quality standards and guidelines in this field of imaging.

The ISFRI is open to all persons who are professionally involved in forensic radiology and imaging.

In May 2012, the first Congress of the ISFRI will be held in Zurich, Switzerland. All participants of this Congress will receive ISFRI membership status, and will be regarded as Founding Members.

The ISFRI will provide its own Journal to its members, the Journal of Forensic Radiology and Imaging, which is the first peer-reviewed journal that focuses on forensic radiology and imaging. The journal aims to develop best practices by presenting high quality evidence-based reviews and original research articles as well as to provide a newsletter to the members of the ISFRI. The first issue will be published in mid 2012.