

Global Resource for Audiology Information Networking (GRAIN)

To provide an understanding of audiology practice and to connect stakeholders in hearing healthcare around the world.

THE GLOBAL AUDIOLOGY INITIATIVE: AN AFRICAN TALE

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Hearing loss is a global health issue... so why are we so disconnected?





WHY ARE WE EVERYWHERE EXCEPT TOGETHER?





WE HAVE SO MUCH TO SHARE WITH EACH OTHER. BE PART OF THE CHANGE AND JOIN OUR GLOBAL COMMUNITY.

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What you allow is what will continue.



THE MISSION

- To describe current audiological practices and education in all countries of the world
- To foster networking among stakeholders in hearing healthcare and connect audiologists across the globe
- To work towards developing global standards
- To develop cross-cultural research
- To educate consumers of audiological services
- To develop the profession of audiology in under resourced regions



WORLD REGIONS: UNITED NATIONS CATEGORISATION



THE PLAN

- ✓ 2 x CO-FOUNDERS / SENIOR EDITORS:
 - ✓ Prof Ross Roeser
 - ✓ Dr Vinaya Manchaiah



- Develop a strategy and method
- ✓ Develop a WEBSITE that provides information about audiology across the globe
 - ✓ <u>www.globalaudiology.org</u>
- ✓ Initiate a SOCIAL MEDIA presence for the Global Audiology community
 - ✓ <u>www.facebook.com/globalaudiology</u>
- ✓ Recruit 6 x REGIONAL RESOURCE EDITORS according to United Nation classification:
- Recruit 22 x SUB-REGIONAL RESOURCE EDITORS
- Recruit SUB-REGIONAL CONTRIBUTORS & KEY CONTACT PEOPLE FOR EACH COUNTRY

Regions	Regional Resource Editors (RREs)	Sub-Regions	Sub-Regional Resource Editor (SRREs)
Africa	Shannon O'Leary/ Bhavisha Parmar	Eastern Africa	TBC
		Middle Africa	TBC
		Northern Africa	TBC
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		Northern Europe	Siobhan Brennan
		Southern Europe	Melissa Cravo
		Western Europe	Griet Mertens
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			Jeanie Morrison-Low
		Melanesia	Donna Carkeet
		Micronesia	Simone Punch
		Polynesia	Simone Punch

COUNTRIES LEADING THE PACK

- √ 11 countries posted to website:
 - ✓ Ethiopia
 - √ Ghana
 - ✓ Guatemala
 - ✓ Canada
 - ✓ India
 - ✓ United States of America
 - ✓ Mexico
 - ✓ Saudi Arabia
 - ✓ Belgium
 - ✓ Isle of Man
 - ✓ Malta
- √ 3 countries undergoing editing process:
 - √ Czech Republic
 - ✓ Costa Rica
 - ✓ Argentina





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GLOBAL AUDIOLOGY: TEAM AFRICA

- ✓ 2 x REGIONAL CO-EDITORS:
 - ✓ Shannon O'Leary
 - ✓ Bhavisha Parmar
- ✓ Have recruited <u>SUB-REGIONAL CONTRIBUTORS</u> for the following African countries:
 - ✓ South Africa
 - ✓ Zambia
 - ✓ Malawi
 - √ Gambia
 - ✓ Ghana
 - ✓ Ethiopia
 - ✓ Sierra Leone
 - ✓ Cameroon
 - ✓ Swaziland TBC
 - ✓ Lesotho TBC
 - ✓ Botswana TBC



WE NEED YOU!





Please email us or come and chat to us if you would like to:

* be a Global Audiology contributor/editor for your region/country

* provide suggestions for website

* assist with social media

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