



Middle East Nephrology; A Role for IrSN- ISN

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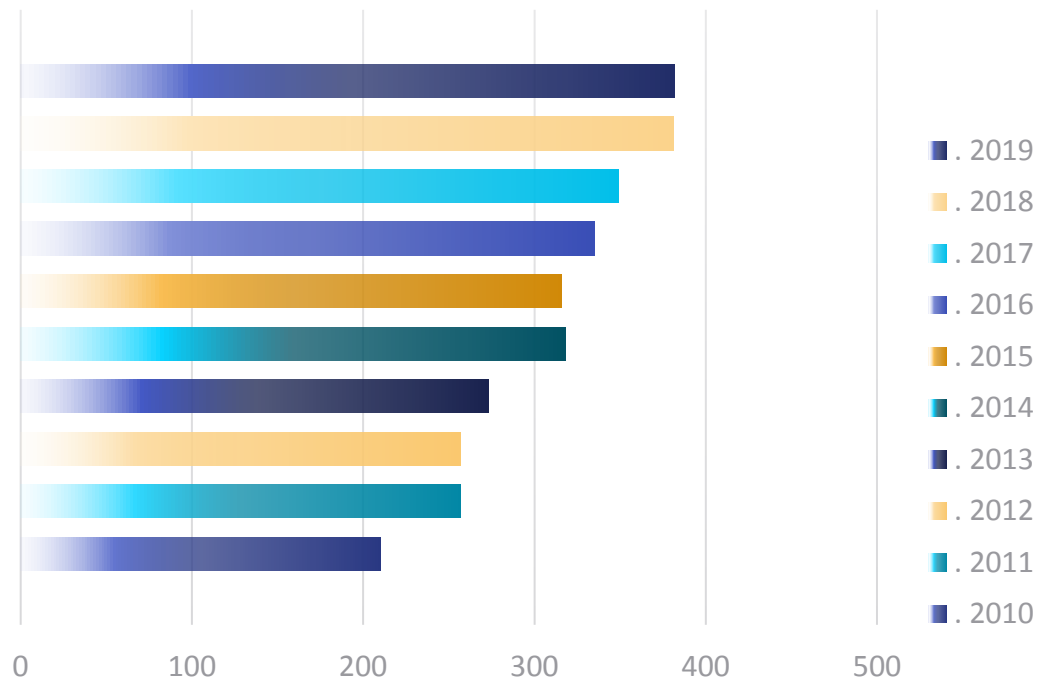
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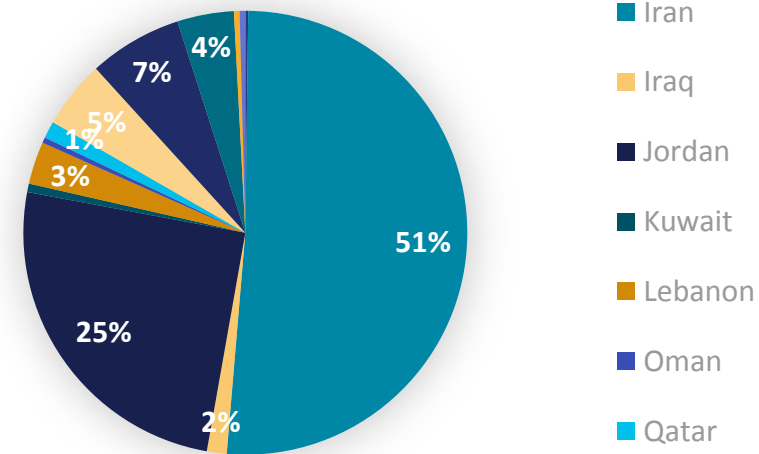
Iranian Society of Nephrology, a successful partner



ISN IRANIAN MEMBERS 2010-2019



MIDDLE EAST ISN MEMBERS



- The Iranian Society is an ISN Collective Society
- ISN Members from Iran: 240
- Representing 51% of ISN Members in the Middle East Region
- All Iranian members are able to access to the ISN Academy and receive KI, KI Reports and KI supplements

INCOME LEVEL PER COUNTRY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

- Income level classification according to the World Bank:

Country	Income Level
Bahrain	High Income
Iran	Upper Middle Income
Iraq	Upper Middle Income
Jordan	Upper Middle Income
Kuwait	High Income
Lebanon	Upper Middle Income
Oman	High Income
West Bank and Gaza	Lower Middle Income
Qatar	High Income
Saudi Arabia	High Income
Syria	Low Income
United Arab Emirates	High Income
Yemen	Low Income

BUILDING CAPACITY IN IRAN

1 Sister Centers pair involving an Iranian institution is active in 2019

1 Fellowship training currently hosted in Iran

3 Continuing Medical Education meetings supported since 2013

1 Educational Ambassador visit endorsed since 2015

Sister Renal Centers

70 active pairs/trios in 2019
36 graduated pair/trios since 2009

- **1 active link in Iran: SRC Iran - USA12**

Hasheminejad Kidney Center (Iran) – Penn State College of Medicine (United States)

⇒ Level C (since 2019)

Emerging Center liaison officer: Prof. Shahrzad Ossareh

Supporting Center liaison officer: Dr. Nasrollah Ghahramani

ISN-TTS Sister Transplant Centers Program

Create new kidney transplant centers and develop existing kidney transplant programs in low and middle income

Next deadline to apply: October 1st, 2019

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2 centers from Palestine involved:

- Al Shifa Hospital (*graduated in 2019 – see next slide*)
- Al Najah University Hospital (*out but recently applied again*)



ISN - TTS
Sister Transplant Center Program

Increasing opportunities for kidney transplant patients in developing countries

Submission Deadline October 1 each year

Palestine - UK Pair: Al Shifa Hospital Gaza – Royal Liverpool University

Products courtesy of Craig Shumett

The poster features two circular images: one showing a surgical team in an operating room, and another showing a smiling man and woman, likely a patient and a healthcare provider. The ISN and TTS logos are at the bottom.

ISN-TTS Sister Transplant Centers Program

Outstanding achievements in Palestine

- **The first two pairs graduated from ISN-TTS STC Program in January 2019,**
 - of which ISN-TTS Sister Transplant Centers Palestine-UK
 - ❖ Al Shifa Hospital (*EC liaison officer – Abdullah Kishawi*)
 - ❖ Royal Liverpool University Hospital (*SC liaison officer – Abdul Hammad*)

[Watch the video](#)

Key milestones

- Delivery of integrated RRT
- Establishment of a viable system for kidney transplantation

Learning objectives

- Training the multi disciplinary team
- Build infrastructure
- Change legislation and start a cadaveric program



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XWBIQD4480E>

ISN CME Program

Get support for your regional meetings

The ISN Continuing Medical Education (CME) supports the design of regional meetings, from contributing to the organization of each meeting to helping select speakers

Apply all year long

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Continuing Medical Education

- 4 CME meetings in Iran supported since 2013:

Date	City	Meeting	Speakers	Topics
April 2013	Tehran and Isfahan	Iranian Society of Nephrology / Alzahra Hospital	Marc De Broe Mitra Mahdavi-Mazdeh Shahrazad Ossareh Antonio Urena Pablo	Mineral metabolism and its complex regulation in Chronic Kidney Disease
September 2015	Mashhad	15 th International Congress of Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplantation	Fred Finkelstein Farhad Danesh Ali Abu-Alfa	AKI, CKD, HD and PD, GN, HTN and Vascular disease, Tx, Fluid and electrolytes, Genetics in Nephrology
May 2017	Shiraz	16 th International Congress of Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplantation	Fernando Fervenza Farhad Danesh Nilufar Mohebbi	AKI, CKD, HD and PD, GN, HTN and Vascular disease, Tx, Fluid and electrolytes, Genetics in Nephrology
November 2019	Tabriz	17 th International Congress of Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplantation	David Harris Shahrazad Ossareh	AKI, CKD, HD and PD, GN, HTN and Vascular disease, Tx, Fluid and electrolytes, Genetics in Nephrology

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A large group of approximately 25 people, including healthcare workers and community members, are posing for a group photo in front of a building with a tiled roof. Several individuals are wearing white lab coats, and others are wearing traditional headwraps. A man in the foreground is holding a clipboard, and another is looking at a mobile phone.

Educational Ambassadors Program

- **1 CME visit in Iran endorsed in 2015:**

Institution	City	Ambassador	Ambassador's Country	Topics	Status
Imam Khomeini General Hospital	Tehran	Suresh Chandra Dash	India	Interventional Nephrology Critical Care Nephrology	Endorsed and planned for April 2016, but the training did not take place

ISN Clinical Research Program

Funding to strengthen renal research

The ISN Clinical Research Program gives members the possibility to access funds to carry out screening programs and intervention research projects, addressing local issues related to treating acute and chronic kidney disease

Next deadline to apply: May 1st, 2020

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ISN Fellowship Program

Improve patient care with specialized learning

The ISN Fellowship Program provides funded, tailored-made and hands-on nephrology training. Improve the standards of care in your home country and become a leader in your field.

Next deadline to apply: May and October 1st, each year

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OFAC SANCTIONS TOWARDS IRAN

- The *Iranian Transactions and Sanctions Regulations (ITSR)* issued by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) generally prohibit the exportation, sale or supply of any goods, technology or services from the USA or by a US person to Iran or the Government of Iran.
- In September 2013, OFAC issued the *Iran General License E (GLE)*, authorizing nongovernmental organizations to export services to, or related to, Iran in support of certain non-for-profit activities that are designed to directly benefit the Iranian people, which includes humanitarian projects.

OFAC SANCTIONS TOWARDS IRAN

- The General License E also authorizes transfers of funds in support of the activities authorized therein, up to \$500,000 over a 12-mo period.
- OFAC has confirmed that the ISN Programs (Clinical Research, Continuing Medical Education, Educational Ambassadors, Fellowship, and Sister Centers Programs) are covered by the General License E, and therefore ISN does not need authorization from OFAC.
- OFAC also confirmed that access to ISN newsletters, journals or Academy by Iranian nationals does not require authorization from

Fellowships

993 Fellowship grants since 1985

- **1 Fellow currently in training in Iran:**

Fellow: Dr. Nargiza Tabarova

Home Country: Tajikistan

Host Mentor: Prof. Shahrzad Ossareh

Host Institution: Hasheminejad Kidney Center

Duration: 12 months

Primary Training Topic: Hemodialysis

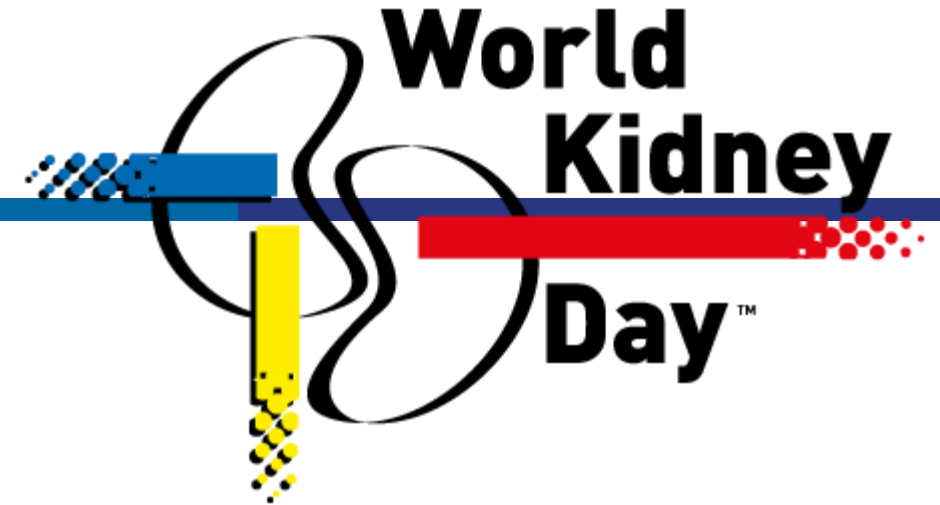
REGIONAL TRAINING CENTERS

ISN Regional Training Centers play a key role in ISN's continuing efforts to establish and develop nephrology in low- and middle-income countries.



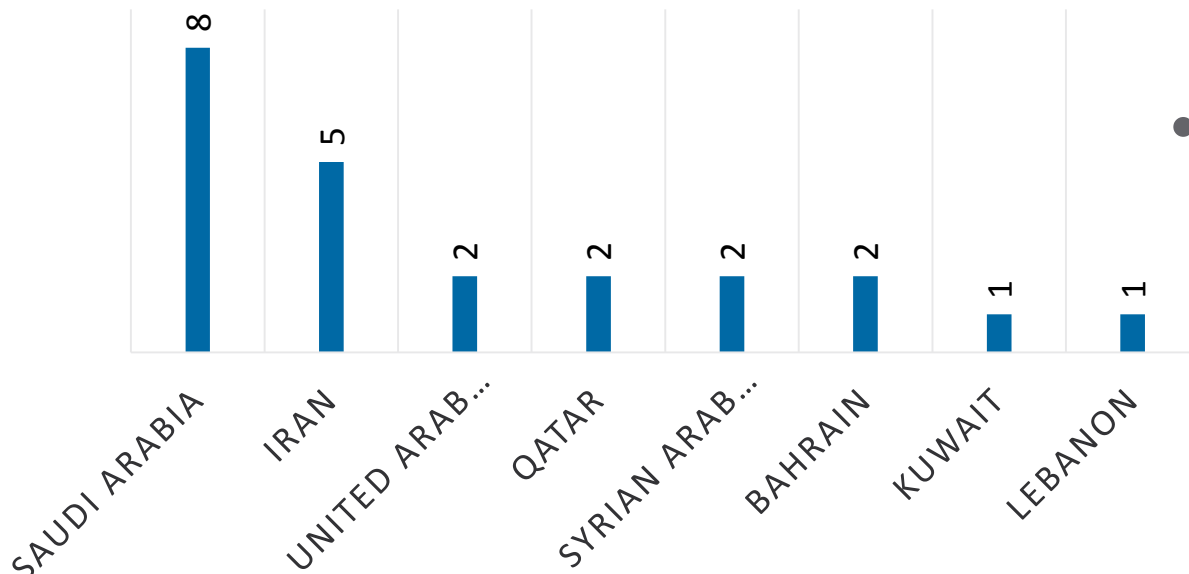
- Eastern & Central Europe**
 - The nephrology department, Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Kuanas (Lithuania)
- North & East Asia**
 - The National Clinical Research Center of Kidney Disease, Jingling Hospital, Nanjing (China)
 - The Institute of Nephrology, Peking University, Beijing (China)
 - The First Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou (China)
- South Asia**
 - The Department of Pediatric Nephrology, Children's Kidney Care Center, St. John's Medical College Hospital, Bangalore (India)
- Latin America**
 - The Fundación Clínica Valle del Lili, Cali (Colombia)
 - The Department of Nephrology & Mineral Metabolism, Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición Salvador Zubirán, Mexico City (Mexico)
- NIS & Russia**
 - The National Center of Nephrology & Renal Replacement Therapy, Minsk (Belarus)
- Africa**
 - The Department of Nephrology, Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town (South Africa)
 - The Red Cross Hospital, Cape Town (South Africa)

WKD 2019 – MIDDLE EAST



- Total number of events reported: **23**
- Countries participating: **8**

NUMBER OF EVENTS



• Top 3 Countries:

- Saudi Arabia **8 events**
- **Iran 5 events**
- United Arab Emirates **2 events**
- Qatar **2 events**
- Syrian Arab Republic **2 events**



**12 March
2020**

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Helping kidney health worldwide

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MARCH 26-29 - ABU DHABI, UAE

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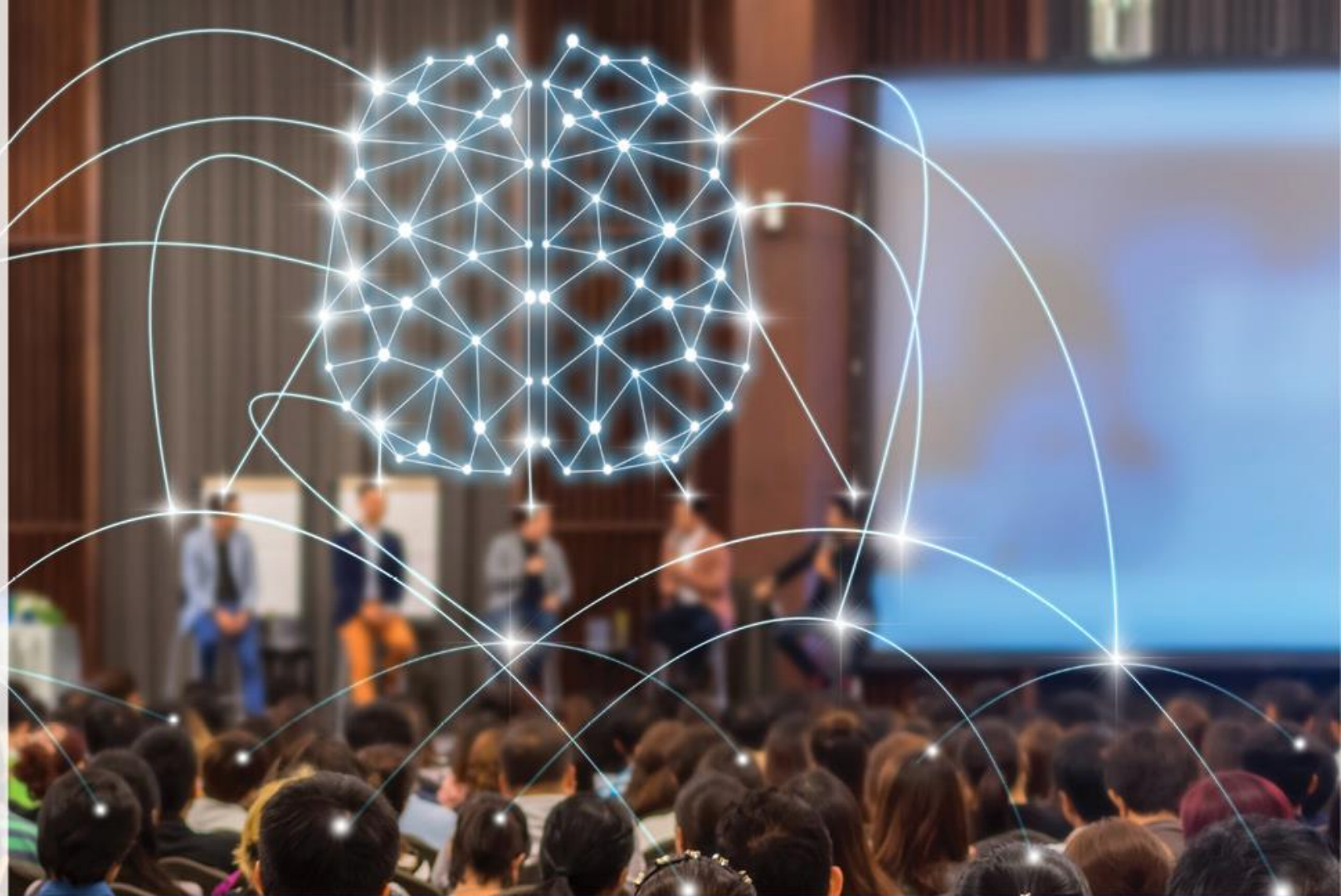
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WCN '20
MARCH 26-29 - ABU DHABI, UAE

23

CME credits

120+

**international
speakers**



FULL PROGRAM ONLINE

THE ISN GLOBAL KIDNEY POLICY FORUM

2017: FOCUS ON LATIN AMERICA



2019: FOCUS ON OCEANIA AND SOUTH EAST ASIA



[The road to global kidney health](#) – 12 Recommendations to Global kidney Health

The forum's participants, representing governments, policy-makers, nephrologists, researchers and other stakeholders, committed to a 12-point set of measurable actions to reduce the burden of kidney disease worldwide.

COMING UP: ISN GKPL Focus on the Middle East

PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT TO GLOBAL KIDNEY HEALTH BY SIGNING UP TO THE 12 RECOMMENDATIONS &... COME TO THE GLOBAL KIDNEY POLICY FORUM IF YOU ARE AT WCN!

<https://www2.theisn.org/GKPFsupport>

ISN POLITICAL ADVOCACY

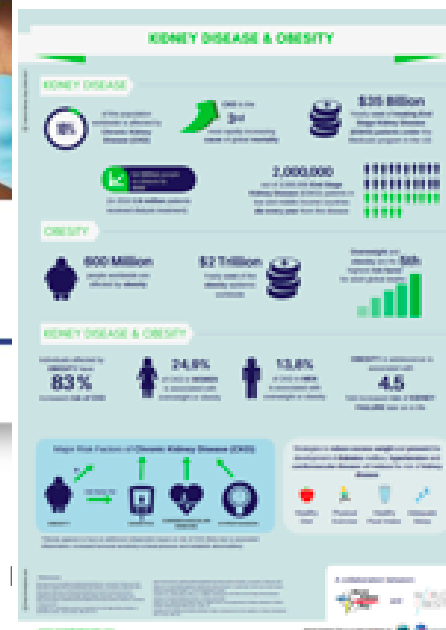
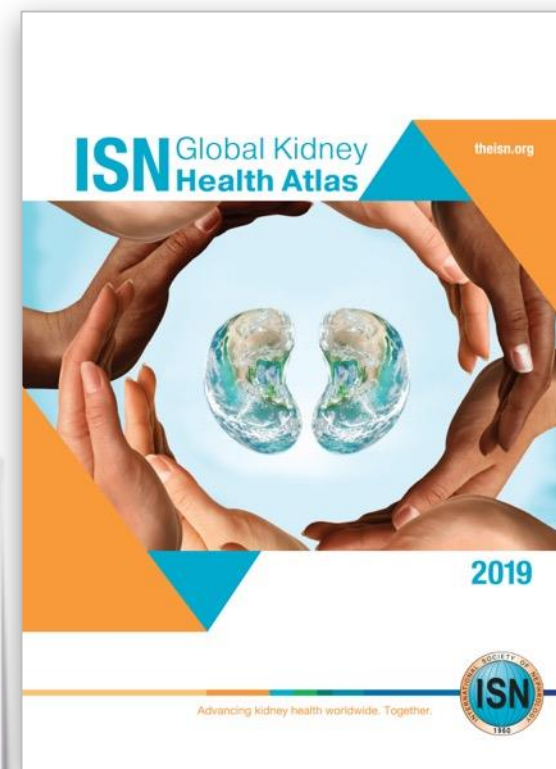
- **Why is advocacy relevant?**
 - To advance kidney care, education, training, capacity building research are fundamental efforts but to be truly sustainable, we must ensure that the environment in which we operate changes and kidney health becomes a priority in decision-makers' health policy agendas!
- **What does ISN do?**
 - ISN is the ONLY kidney health civil society organisation in official relations with the [World Health Organization](#) and a member of the [WHO's Global Coordination Mechanism on NCDs](#).?
 - ISN is invited to contribute and makes official statements at WHO and UN global meeting, provides evidence material to decisions makers, partakes in international conferences, and builds alliances within the NCD community to raise the profile of kidney disease in global health politics.
 - Some practical outputs:
 - ISN is the only kidney organisation invited to speak at the United Nations General Assembly and WHO high level meetings
 - In collaboration with WHO, we are developing an **Observatory on CKDu** aimed at sharing knowledge on this subject and raise awareness
 - In collaboration with WHO, we are developing **guidance documents** on how to set up dialysis in low resource setting



YOUR ADVOCACY TOOLS: POSITION PAPERS AND CALLS TO ACTION!



- 1** FINANCIAL PROTECTION
(especially for end-stage kidney disease)
- 2** COMPREHENSIVENESS AND
INTEGRATED SERVICES
- 3** IMPROVED FOCUS ON EARLY
PREVENTION
- 4** WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT,
WHOLE-OF-SOCIETY, HEALTH IN
ALL POLICIES, MULTISECTORAL
COLLABORATION



Join our call to kidney health
& hold you governments accountable!

SharE-RR project

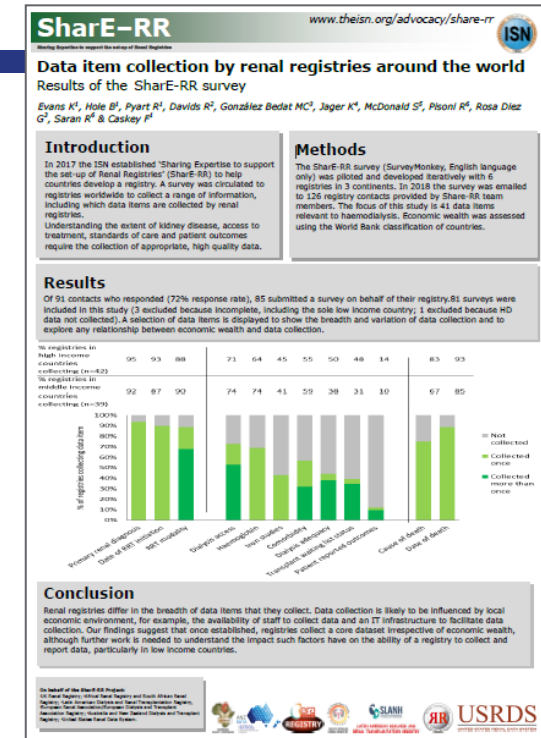
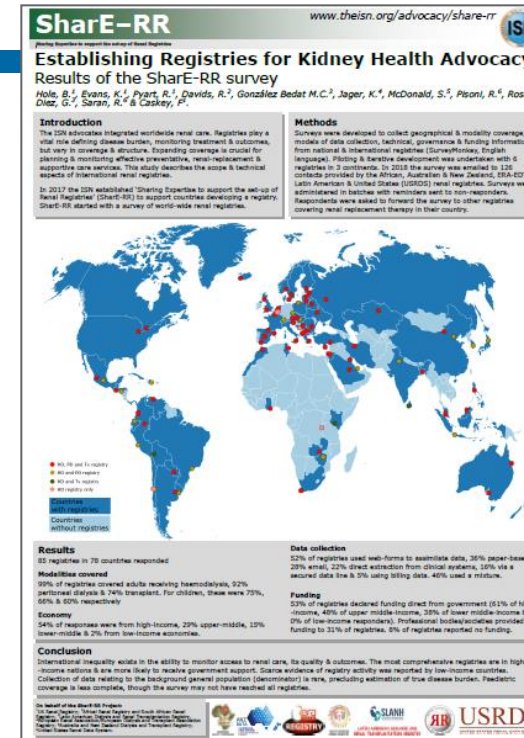
Towards facilitating the set up of registries globally

Survey of regional and national renal registries, 2018

1. The SharE-RR survey

[Thank you for completing this global survey of renal registries - part of the International Society of Nephrology initiative: *Sharing Expertise to support the set-up of Renal Registries* (SharE-RR). SharE-RR supports the development and sustainability of renal registries around the world. Further details can be found on the ISN website www.theisn.org.

The answers you provide to this survey will be shared via an online resource. The survey will take around half an hour to complete, depending upon the size and complexity of your registry. If your web browser has cookies allowed you will be able to leave the survey and return using the same link and your answers should be saved. If you have any problems with the survey or require further information, please contact katharine.evans@renalregistry.nhs.uk



- Two posters at WCN 2019
- Paper in preparation
- Advocacy tools in the pipeline
- Exchange of information platform hosted on ISN pages: **tell us about your country's registry!**

91 responses from 126 registries contacted (72%)
85 completed surveys