

The International Organization for Medical Physics (IOMP) has very recently taken the decision to celebrate in 2013 and specifically, on November 7, the International Day of Medical Physics (IDMP). The Hellenic Association of Medical Physicists (HAMP), the National Member Organization that represents medical physicists in Greece in Europe considered this occasion a great opportunity to increase awareness of the public regarding our profession. For this reason Greece has taken the following actions to inform its members on the celebration of this day:

- 1) The website of HAMP has in its homepage, not only the poster of IDMP but also the translation of this poster in the native language.
- 2) The poster and all relevant information has been sent to all its members through email.
- 3) The poster was also printed and distributed in a number of scientific events early in year 2013.
- 4) HAMP is also planning to have an “open day” to inform the public about the profession of medical physics. As the theme of IDMP 2013 is ‘**Radiation Exposure from Medical Procedures: Ask the Medical Physicist!**’ this event is going to present to the public through leaflets and direct contact what a medical physicist does in the clinical environment. Furthermore, our members are going to answer any questions or queries on any scientific issue. The location of this “open day” is planned in the center of the City of Athens in order to succeed in having the maximum interaction with the public.
- 5) The society is planning to have a round table at the end of the “open day” with the title “ Past, Present and Future of Medical Physics Profession in Greece” and is going to honor one of the pioneers in medical physics in our country.
- 6) Finally, the society is planning lectures and presentation in high schools to promote our profession.

Picture 1. The historical building of “Parnassos” where the celebration of IDMP 2013 will take place in Athens, Greece.

