

SoR London Region News 📖



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Dates for your diary - London Events

London Region Study Day – Saturday 25th February 2023, 10 am – 2 pm @HQ and virtually.

Please contact <u>TUIR@sor.org</u> for details regarding any of the above if you do not receive the details closer to the event

London Region Reps Training Days for 2023 are: February 15th, March 27th, June 14th, August 9th, October 11th and December 15th (joint with Eastern Region)

All meetings will take place in SoR Head Office Building between 11am and 3pm finish.

Study Day

The London Regional Committee is in the process of organising the next study day which will take place at SoR HQ in London, with the option of joining virtually, on Saturday 25th February 2023 from 10 am to 2 pm. It is hoped that the study day may be able to be followed by a social event for those who are able to attend in person. More details will be provided nearer the time but save the date in your diary now.

Study day title – Spotlights – highlighting specialisms in the profession.



Draft programme of talks will be published as speakers are confirmed.

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London Regional Committee AGM

The London Regional Committee (LRC) is made up of SoR members who wish to work together to promote the work of the SoR within the region, coordinate the motions and representation of the London Region at the Annual Delegates Conference (ADC) and organise the regional study day.

An AGM had not been held since 2019 due to the Covid pandemic but we are pleased to announce that at 12 noon on 12th December 2022 the London Region held its AGM to which all members, with any type of SCoR membership, were invited to attend either in person or virtually. Thank you to all members who attended.

To find out more or to express an interest in being involved with the committee please email London@sor.org. Student to retired members and anyone at any stage of their career in between are welcome to participate in the committee.

If you would like to raise any issues or concerns or to make suggestions for future study days please contact the committee.

Pay Award

Thank you to all the members in London Region who responded to the pay award survey to gauge the appetite for industrial action over the recent pay award.

Of those who responded more than 9 out of 10 members in England and Wales voted to reject the pay award. However, many members did not even respond to the survey meaning that, overall, the SoR felt that they did not have the required indication of support to proceed with a formal ballot due to the thresholds that now have to be legally met to take strike action.

Further communication will be being sent to members, check your contact details with the SoR are correct.

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Congratulations

The London Region would like to congratulate all the London Region delegates that attended the SoR Annual Delegates Conference (ADC) in April 2022 held in Leeds. Due to the pandemic ADC had not taken place since 2019. Many of the delegates attending had not attended an ADC before and many presented motions on behalf of the region. Special thanks go to Sheila Hassan who stood in as Lead Delegate for the region at relatively short notice to organise the London delegation, providing a calm and knowledgeable steer to the members attending.

Well done to all the delegates who attended, presented, and spoke to motions on behalf of the London Region.

The London Regional Committee would also like to congratulate Sheila Hassan for recently being awarded her MSc, which was still ongoing at the time of stepping up as ADC delegate lead and taking on the chair position of the London Regional Committee after the resignation of the previous chairperson. Sheila, at 65 years old, has shown that it is never too late in your career to embark on further learning and research. Her research topic was 'Quality of life impact of surrendering your driving licence with Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS) treatment.'

Social Event

The London Regional Committee organised a social event in June 2022 to thank active members of the region such as reps and those who attended ADC 2022 for the time and effort that they had put into representing SoR members in one form or another. The event was held at the Rembrandt Hotel, providing refreshments and a chance for people to finally meet in person. For many it was the first opportunity to meet with Dean Rogers, Director of Industrial Strategy & Member Relations, and Jennie Bremner, Regional Officer for London.

Dean gave a talk expressing the importance of the work of the SoR reps.

Do you have an IR, H&S and ULR?

Does your workplace have a full complement of at least one of each of the following SoR reps?

Industrial Relations, Health & Safety, and Union Learning Rep? If not and you would be interested in finding out more about the role of the specific rep, please contact Jennie Bremner for what is involved.

ADC Report

ADC provides an excellent opportunity to raise workplace issues and influence the future direction of the SoR

ADC 2022 was a combination of a reduced number of physical attendees in Leeds and the option to view online.

London was represented by very enthusiastic representatives many of whom were 1st time attendees.

It was great to see such enthusiasm and involvement from everyone who attended with excellent speeches arguing our motions and so many eloquent first-time speakers.

This really showed what an excellent event this is and a relevant forum to discuss the future direction of the SoR.

It was great to be able to attend in person and network again.

Sheila Hassan - Delegate Lead, London Region

Student Update

Students are welcomed as London Region Committee Members to ensure that the voice of the newest members of the SoR and the future of the profession is heard.

This is what one such student had to say about how they have been getting involved in recent months.

'My name is Priscilla Shote. A 2nd year Diagnostic Radiography student at London South Bank University. I am the SoR Student forum London delegate lead which has been a great experience so far in the past couple of months.

I am also on the 150 Leaders Programme organised by the Council of Deans whereby I am working on a project to highlight AHP professions.

I attended my very first ADC in April 2022 whereby I spoke on a motion on behalf of the London Region. I have put my interest forward as the student officer on the London Region Committee.

Discovering Radiography after a career in property management has been really rewarding and I am looking forward to graduating and practising.'

If you are currently a student and interested in getting involved or more involved, please do contact the London Region.

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