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Francesca Gimigliano is Associate Professor in the Department of Mental and Physical Health and Preventive Medicine at Università degli Studi della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli" (Napoli) in Italy. She is Delegate for the Chancellor for the Communication and Third Missions.

She is the current Secretary of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM).

After graduating in Medicine at Università degli Studi della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli" (ex Seconda Università degli Studi di Napoli in 2001, she finished her fellowship program in PRM in 2005 and in 2008 took her PhD in Plastic Surgery, Orthopaedics Surgery, Skin Oncology, and Legal Medicine in 2008 at the same University. She received the European Certificate of Fellowship in PRM in 2010.

In 2009 she attended and fully successfully passed the e-learning Course "Principles and Practice in Clinical and Research" held by the Department of Continuing Education of the Harvard Medical School.

She started working as Medical Director of first level at the PRM Unit of Università degli Studi della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli" in 2007 where she is responsible for the outpatient clinic of post-surgical rehabilitation and geriatric rehabilitation and she acts as consultant for many different clinical units, in particular, Occupational Medicine Unit (musculoskeletal injuries or diseases of workers) and Gynaecological Unit (women incontinence).

She has been teaching PRM at the Bachelor Programs of Medicine and Surgery, Physiotherapy and Speech Therapy, and the Fellowship Programs in PRM and Work Medicine since 2007. She was Teaching Assistant at the "Principles and Practice in Clinical and Research Course" from 2010 to 2012.

Her main field of research is the rehabilitation of age-related musculoskeletal conditions, such as osteoporosis, but her publications cover multiple topics of the rehabilitation field. She contributed as lecturer and chairperson in several national and international meetings. She won "ISPRM Young Scientist Award" for the best research paper presented at the "5th World Congress of the International Society of PRM" (Istanbul, June 2009) and "ISPRM Poster Award" for the best poster presentation at the "8th World Congress of the International Society of PRM" (Cancun, June 2014).

She is one of the Scientific Secretaries of the EJPRM.

She was elected in the Board of the Mediterranean Forum of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (MFPRM) from September 2008 to September 2015