

## **Translation of the video of Mr Julio Piñuela for the International Day of Medical Physics 2016 \***

Hello I am Julio Piñuela, a graduate of the Venezuelan Institute of Medical and Scientific Research. I currently work at the Central Hospital in Maracay in the radiotherapy service. Today, 7 November, is a very special day for all of us: we celebrate the International Day of medical physics, we honour Madame Curie; who better than her to represent this wonderful work that we do. A couple of years ago, I was looking for what the day for medical physicists was; there was a day for secretaries, nurses, technicians and medical doctors, I was curious to know what the day of the medical physicist was. However, after many attempts, I found nothing about it. In view of this, I decided to ask my friend Simone (Kodlulovich) who, at the time, was the president of the Latin American Association of Medical Physics. During a conversation via Facebook, I asked her what the day was for the medical physicist. The answer she gave me surprised me, because she told me that she didn't know that there was a day for medical physicists. She promised me to send this concern to various international associations. Soon afterwards, I received the great news that the IOMP had designated 7 November as the international day to celebrate the activity of medical physics. So I want to take this opportunity and send a big hello to all medical physicists in the world, who do a great job in this area.

\*Please note that this text was not translated by a professional translator