



**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FERTILITY SOCIETIES**

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## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

**September 14, 2020**

The International Federation of Fertility Societies (IFFS) has provided outstanding educational programs in reproductive medicine and bioethics to healthcare providers and trainees, collaborating with colleagues across the globe since its inception in 1951. Over the years, Drs. Ian Cooke, Paul Devroey, and most recently Richard Kennedy, have successfully led these programs, advancing evidence-based clinical practice and applications of new technologies and translational science in our field, and underscoring universal access to reproductive health care as a human right. We thank them for their selfless leadership, innovations, and inclusivity. The IFFS Strategic Plan 2019-2022 put into place new trajectories for our educational portfolio, and **I am pleased to announce new leadership for the IFFS Global Educational Programs** beginning January 2021.

Please join me in welcoming our new team: **Dr. Luca Gianaroli, the new IFFS Director of Global Educational Programs** and **Dr. Jane Stewart, IFFS Deputy Director of Global Educational Programs**.

Linda Giudice

IFFS President 2019-2022

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### **IFFS Director of Global Educational Programs: Luca Gianaroli, MD**



**Dr. Luca Gianaroli** is a specialist in reproductive medicine and gynecologic endocrinology and is Scientific Director of the Italian Society for the Study of Reproductive Medicine (S.I.S.Me.R), Scientific Director of the International Institutes of Advanced Reproduction and Genetics and IIRM SA, and Honorary Professor in the School of Biosciences of the University of Kent. He has had a distinguished career in reproductive research on human gametes and in reproductive genetics and in clinical assisted reproduction. He has served as Chair of the Italian Society of Reproduction and Chair of ESHRE, and is a member of the ESHRE Certification Committee and the coordinator of the Steering Committee of the ESHRE ART Centre Certification Program. Dr. Gianaroli has authored more than 250 peer-reviewed manuscripts published in international scientific journals and has been editor or co-editor of 9 books, with an H-index of 73. He has been mentor to numerous trainees and has provided educational leadership globally. Dr. Gianaroli has organized more than 20 international congresses in the fields of reproductive medicine, reproductive biology and genetics. In 2014 he was appointed Full Professor in the Italian Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale, and in 2014 was elected Fellow *ad eundem* of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.



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**IFFS Deputy Director of Global Educational Programs:  
Jane Stewart, MD**

**Dr. Jane Stewart** is a Consultant in Reproductive Medicine and Gynaecology for Newcastle Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and head of the Newcastle Fertility Center in Newcastle upon Tyne, UK. Dr. Stewart oversees the clinical fertility preservation program and the mitochondrial ART service, and is an active clinician providing full fertility services and counseling to patients in a teaching environment. Dr. Stewart is Chair of the British Fertility Society (BFS; 2018-2021) and has been actively involved in medical education and training throughout her career. She was Secretary and then Chair of the Subspecialty Trainees Group (STiRMaS), member and Chair of the BFS Training Committee and is the BFS board representative to IFFS. Dr. Stewart is also Clinical Sub-Editor of *Human Fertility* and authored the recently released textbook, *Subfertility, Reproductive Endocrinology and Assisted Reproduction*. She is highly sought-after for lectures and training programs and has mentored numerous trainees. She moved to Newcastle from Edinburgh (where she qualified in 1988 - Edinburgh University Medical School) where she completed her general O&G training joining the NFCL team in 1994 as a research fellow. She was appointed Consultant in 2002.



**MISSION**

The IFFS mission is to stimulate research, disseminate educational information, and promote the superior clinical care of patients in all aspects of reproductive and fertility medicine.

**VISION**

Our vision is that all women and men have access to quality fertility and reproductive health care.