

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT**  
**WORLD PHYSIOTHERAPY REGIONAL BOARD MEMBER POSITION**  
**SOUTH AMERICA REGION**

**Oscar Ronzio**

Dear representatives of the Member Organisations World Physiotherapy SA.

Just 2 years ago I communicated with you through a similar note to apply for my second term as chair of World Physiotherapy SA. It is therefore appropriate, first, to thank you for the trust placed in me for a second term. Secondly, I would like to thank my colleagues from Asociación Argentina de Kinesiología (AAK) for their trust.

Since I started this journey with many of you, I have been learning day by day, more and more, about the profession at a global level, management, leadership, technology, negotiation and also in business administration and finances because of my role as manager and Head of Physiotherapy program.

I have always said that the work of our board would be reflected in good results. And we have reached achievements like never before: We have the largest number of member organizations in our history, a very fluid and trusting relationship with World Physiotherapy, active social networks, successful webinars with record number of participants, we have requested projects to support small countries, we have financial and administrative agreements with World Physiotherapy that we have just reviewed to expand them, we have resumed the face-to-face regional congresses for which we have had 3 excellent hosting candidates, and how not to highlight it, the region will host for the first time in history, a World Congress (Mexico, Guadalajara 2027)!

These are some of the achievements of the last two years that come to mind at this moment, but of course there was much more quiet work, travels and meetings. And always supported by SA executive committee and the administrators of World Physiotherapy. But I think it is important to highlight the change in our working method: in an orderly and systematized way, in coherence with the regulations of World Physiotherapy, becoming more professional every day. This was evident, for example, in our last General Meeting in Peru, or during my intervention with President Mike Landry in Guatemala, or by already having held organizational meetings for the next SA Congress in Punta del Este 2026.

That is why I understand that with my experience built during these 6 years in the organization, something essential according to the document "Candidate Pack", today I am writing again to tell you my intentions to continue working for our beautiful profession, but this time from another position: As a Board Member of World Physiotherapy.

Apart from the fact that this is the expected trajectory for a Chair, I believe that I can also make significant contributions from the technical and human aspects. I am lucky to have been in contact with physios from each of your countries, so as to get knowledge of your realities and needs. These contributions can be really useful and relevant to Mike's project, in the face of the new strategic plan and the restructuring of World Physiotherapy.

Without any doubt, much remains to be done in the region, but I believe that there is a solid foundation to continue the work began in 2019.

I thank you in advance for supporting my candidacy. I remain at your disposal to discuss and clarify any doubts that may arise after this letter of intent. In attachment, you will find my summarized curriculum, according to the requirements for this presentation. You can also find on the web my complete CV, called CVar, from the Ministry of Science and Technology of my country, so that you can review my experience in more detail.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Oscar Ronzio', written in a cursive style.

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