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The International Confederation for Registers of Exercise Professionals (ICREPs) recently held its AGM on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015, in Los Angeles, co-timed with one of the world's largest exercise industry events, the IHRSA Convention and trade show.

At the AGM, Stuart Turner, from REPs UK, was elected the new chair, replacing Richard Beddie who completed his four year term. Recognising the work of his predecessor, Stuart Turner commented: "Under Richard's leadership ICREPs has grown into a truly global confederation, with representation in eleven countries, with several other national registers under development and looking to join the global alliance. On behalf of the board, we thank Richard for his work." Beddie will continue to have an operational role with ICREPs, providing direct support to new members as they develop their national registers for exercise professionals.

Stuart Turner has a background within the UK strategic standards and education arena for over 15 years. Stuart started his career in standards and qualifications delivery whilst serving in the Royal Air Force and acted as an education, standards and compliance advisor at ministerial level. In his present role as the Group Director for Standards & Qualifications at SkillsActive, Stuart is responsible for the development of the Nationals Occupational Standards (NOS) and qualifications for seven sectors and covering a workforce of 3.9million. He oversees compliance and governance for seven voluntary professional registers and he is also responsible for governmental policy and external relations.

Stuart said 'there has been a rapid growth in the ICREPs portfolio over the past 12 months and it is time to take the Confederation to the next level of development, supporting members and expanding the global portability for exercise professionals'.

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