

BAHRAIN SEMINAR TRAINERS' PROFILE



Herman Oosterwijk:

Herman, a very famous figure in PACS world, is President of OTech Imaging. He functions as lead instructor as well as consultant and overall project manager for most of the projects. He is very familiar with the PACS industry and technology because of his prior work experience as a PACS program and business unit manager with Philips, AT&T, and Kodak. He currently assists major PACS implementers such as the US Department of Veterans affairs, US Department of Defense, and other institutions defining their needs and generating the appropriate specifications and documentation for PACS purchases.

In addition, he teaches and publishes extensively on PACS and related topics such as the Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) standard. He participates with the DICOM standardization effort since its inception in 1984 in various positions and working groups.



Karen Reid:

Born and raised in South Africa, Karen began her career as a radiographer in 1977 at the Johannesburg School of Radiography qualifying as a Diagnostic radiographer after a 3 year program. Since then, she has worked in almost all modalities, specializing in Cardiac Catheterization, CT and MRI while maintaining a special interest in general diagnostic radiography and its progression towards digitization.

Karen has worked in both government and private hospitals in South Africa and the Middle East, always with the singular goal of producing the best possible images regardless of modality.

She has arranged continuing education lectures at various facilities, delivering many lectures on a variety of subjects including image quality, CT and MR physics as well as patient care.



Dr. M. Kashif Mirza:

Dr. M. Kashif Mirza M.B.B.S., M.C.S. , AMIA Cert 10X10, is a Health-IT consultant and researcher. He has a unique blend of experience and education in medicine, informatics and e-health. He has a substantial domain-specific knowledge and work experience in using IT for radiology. He has been a member in professional organizations, has presented papers at a variety of professional conferences and consulted for various hospitals.

With more than 10 scientific publications, his informatics research efforts are focused on imaging informatics and semantic web-search in healthcare. One of his research projects has recently been awarded by Radiological Society of North America - RSNA (USA) under cum laude category.

Beside his current job as a senior level management, he is also engaged as a Consultant with iVirtuous Inc (USA); as a web-Editor with Pakistan Journal of Radiology; as a consultant for PACS and Teleradiology implementation, and as a Health-IT instructor with various organizations.