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Last year at the ACMP Annual Meeting in Seattle, participants of the International Medical Physicists Symposium presented the latest of the work related to the goal of improving the quality of clinical medical physics practice. Some speakers shared their experiences of establishing their national credentialing boards. Panelists from the American Board of Radiology (ABR) and the American Board of Medical Physics (ABMP) contributed their views on the subject. After the meeting, some participants suggested ACMP to assist in the formation of an international certification board since it was the original sponsor of the ABMP. The matter was brought to the ACMP Executive Committee for discussion in August, and the Committee appointed Dr. Edward Sternick to chair the IBMP Constituting Panel (Panel). The ACMP Board of Chancellors approved the list of initial members of the Panel in 2008 in Chicago. In early 2009, the International Organization of Medical Physics created a task group (TG) to make recommendations on issues related to the International Board, including its operation. The author was appointed chairman of the TG. The charges of the TG will be presented. The working relation between the Panel and the TG will be described.