

Newsletter of the APAO Leadership Development Program

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An Exciting Year 2023 Awaits!

Dear APAO LDP Alumni,

As we enter the new year, we hope that the year of the Rabbit will bring myriad blessings to you and your loved ones. The valuable lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic in the preceding years will prepare us better for the future, and as we prepare to meet up in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from February 23-26, 2023 for the 38th APAO Congress under the theme of "Reconnect and Collaborate", the first face-to-face meeting in 3 years, this newsletter is an opportunity to take stock of the achievements of the APAO Leadership Development Program (LDP) and to share some of the exciting events ahead.

Our Deepest Gratitude to Dr. Catherine Green, AO

The APAO LDP commenced in 2009 to identify individuals with the potential to become leaders in ophthalmology.

Dr. Catherine Green of Australia served as our APAO LDP Chair for 10 years, and under her generous and selfless leadership, the APAO LDP rose staggeringly to new heights with over 150 successful graduates from all over the Asia-Pacific region. Dr. Green stepped down as Chair of the APAO LDP Program in August 2022, and it is our honor to enumerate her many accomplishments and achievements here.

In addition to her busy and distinguished practice as Head of the Glaucoma Unit at the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital, the largest specialist glaucoma service in Australia, Dr. Green is also the founder and director of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO) LDP enhancing leadership skills for ophthalmologists in Australia and New Zealand. She was Dean of Education for RANZCO from 2017-2019, following which she was appointed Associate Prof. and Deputy Director of the Monash Institute for Health and Clinical Education. She has served on the Board of Directors of RANZCO and the International Council of Ophthalmology and has provided eye care and teaching in countries such as Cambodia, Fiji, Nepal, Myanmar, and Timor Leste. Her many honors include the Officer of the Order of Australia, APAO Distinguished Service Award, Eye and Ear Hospital Board Chair's Award, Women in Ophthalmology Champion of Change, and the APAO Nakajima Award for her work in the prevention of blindness, ophthalmic service, and research.

In her own words, "Ophthalmologists make a difference one patient at a time, but if we ensure that we are also good educators and teachers, and continue to advocate for our patients, our sphere of influence is so much greater." This statement encapsulates the ultimate mission of the APAO LDP.



Dr. Catherine Green



Prof. Muhammad Moin

Changing of the Guard

Prof. Muhammad Moin was officially elected as the new Chair of the APAO LDP on August 27, 2022, and has overseen a challenging year where the APAO LDP had to adjust to virtual meetings and devise new strategies to provide an exciting and enriching experience for APAO LDP participants.

We welcomed new associate members to the APAO LDP committee from the ranks of successfully graduated APAO LDP alumni, directly immersing them in leadership roles, including Dr. Kasem Seresirikachorn, Dr. Indira Paudyal, Dr. Tarjani Dave and Dr. De-Kuang Hwang. Prof. Moin has also taken up a further role as Insights Discovery Client Practitioner after receiving successful training and accreditation on November 11, 2022. Prof. Moin has committed to the APAO LDP Insights teaching for at least two years, and he will conduct his first Insights workshop for the incoming LDP class at the upcoming APAO Congress.

APAO Leadership Development Program Logo

The APAO LDP Logo Design Contest was held from March 25 to June 1, 2022, calling for design entries from both LDP alumni and the public. The response was overwhelmingly enthusiastic, and the winning entry displayed in the heading of this newsletter was submitted by Dr. Randy Sarayar from Indonesia, who will enjoy complimentary registration for the upcoming congress, and acknowledgement during the LDP Alumni Reception.



Designed by Dr. Randy Sarayar

Graduating LDP 2020-21 Class

5 Master Class courses were conducted from November 21, 2021 to August 7, 2022, in the form of 2.5-hour online sessions. 20 participants completed the program, and we are grateful for the immense contribution and dedication of the following faculty members and invited speakers, including Prof. Clement Tham, Dr. Linda Tsai, Prof. Muhammad Moin, Dr. Sherman Valero, Dr. Shaheeda Mohamed, Dr. Vivek Dave, Prof. Madhuwanthi Dissanayake and Ms. Marisa Chuawiwat (Insights Program facilitator).

Held virtually for the first time, it was no easy feat to keep the spirit and vigour of our past physical meetings intact, but through online interactive quizzes and breakout rooms for group discussions, participants learned essential skills of teamwork, leadership, negotiation, and patient advocacy.

Date	Theme	of N	laster	Class	

November 21,2021 Master Class 1: Getting the Team Together	
January 16, 2022 Master Class 2: Leading Yourself	
March 13, 2022 Master Class 3: Getting Your Message Across	
May 15, 2022 Master Class 4: Getting the Job Done	
August 7, 2022 Master Class 5: Insights Discovery: Communicating in Colour	



Class Participants and Faculty at the 2022 Online Master Class

19 participants will deliver their LDP Project presentations below at the LDP 2020-21 Graduating Class during the upcoming Congress, and we invite all alumni to attend and support them. Faculty members who will be chairing the Graduating Class are Prof. Muhammad Moin, Dr. Linda Tsai, Dr. Sherman Valero, Prof. Madhuwanthi Dissanayake, Prof. Marcus Ang, and Dr. Vivek Dave.



Aniruddha AGARWAL (United Arab Emirates)



Ben LIMBU (Nepal)



Eli PRADHAN (Nepal)



Raymond L.M. WONG (Hong Kong, China)



Rachelle ANZURES (Philippines)



Kiet Phang LING (Malaysia)



Irum RAZA (Pakistan)



Chen ZHAO (China)



LDP Class 2020-21 Participants

Chaow CHAROENKIJKAJORN (Thailand)



Anu MANANDHAR (Nepal)



Jason CHENG (Australia)



Elenoa MATOTO-RAIKABAKABA



Xinyi SU (Singapore)



Yasuo YANAGI (Japan) Resumed from LDP 2019-20



Helena HURAIRAH (Brunei Darussalam)



Alex Lap Ki NG (Hong Kong, China)



Shaoying TAN (Hong Kong, China)



Bhupesh SINGH (India)



Varanisese Rorogasa NAVIRI (Fiji) Resumed from LDP 2019-20

Incoming LDP Class 2023-2024

This year, we are delighted to welcome 25 participants to the LDP Class 2023-24, nominated by APAO National Member Societies and Subspecialty Member Societies.



Lucilla AH CHING-SEFO (Samoa)



Abdul HANNAN (Pakistan)



Koji KITAZAWA (Japan)



Hon Shing ONG (Singapore)



Made Indra WIDYANATHA (Indonesia)



Dewang ANGMO (India)



Wing Lau HO (Hong Kong, China)



Diwa LAMICHHANE (Nepal)



Remya PAULOSE (Brunei)



May Zun Aung WIN (Myanmar)



Oyungerel BAYARMUNKH (Mongolia)



Mohammad Mostafa HOSSAIN (Bangladesh)



Faraby MARTHA (Indonesia)



Nitee RATPRASATPORN (Thailand)



Mary Rose YAN (Philippines)



Jan Bond CHAN (Malaysia)



Tzulun (Kathy) HUANG (Chinese Taipei)



Dariz MUSLEM (Afghanistan)



Bernardo SOARES (Australia)



Siamak ZAREI-GHANAVATI (Iran)



Aruna FERNANDO (Sri Lanka)



Dong Hyun KIM (Korea, Republic of)



Shams Mohammed NOMAN (Bangladesh)



Charisse Ann TANLAPCO (Philippines)



Ai ZHUANG (China)

The Orientation Class for the LDP Class 2023-24 will be held during the APAO 2023 Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (February 23-26). It comprises 1 introductory session and a 1-day Insights Discovery Workshop. Faculty members and guest speakers who will contribute to the Orientation Class include Prof. Muhammad Moin, Prof. Clement Tham, Dr. Kenneth Fong, Dr. Daniel Briceland, Dr. Linda Tsai, Prof. Madhuwanthi Dissanayake, Dr. Sherman Valero, Dr. Shaheeda Mohamed, and Dr. Vivek Dave.

In addition, the LDP 2023-2024 Master Class is planned to be held in Manila, Philippines from August 18-20, 2024 with the kind support of the Philippine Academy of Ophthalmology (PAO).

LDP at APAO 2023 Kuala Lumpur

With an expected Congress attendance of over 5,000 delegates, we look forward to exciting LDP Classes and the fantastic Insights Discovery Workshop.

Expect a top-notch scientific program and take advantage of the outstanding cultural and social program at this year's congress to explore the wonders of Kuala Lumpur. We hope to see all of you at the LDP Alumni Reception to be held on February 25, 2023, during the APAO 2023 Congress.

Let us together usher in the year 2023 with hope and enthusiasm, renew old friendships, and enhance our leadership skills to better serve our patients across the Asia-Pacific. A very happy New Year to you and your loved ones!

Key Dates

AGENDA	TIME	VENUE
LDP 2023-24 Orientation Class XII		
Introductory Session	16:30-18:00 Feb 23, 2023	302-302 (Level 3),
One-day Insights Discovery Workshop	09:00-10:30 Feb 24, 2023 11:00- 12:30 Feb 24, 2023 14:30- 16:00 Feb 24, 2023	Meeting Rooms 307-308 (Level 3), KL Convention Center

AGENDA	TIME	VENUE		
LDP 2020-21 Graduating Class XI				
LDP Project Presentation (1) LDP Project Presentation (2)	09:00- 10:30 Feb 25, 2023 11:00- 12:30 Feb 25, 2023	Meeting Rooms 302-303 (Level 3), KL Convention Center		
LDP Alumni Reception	13:00-14:00 Feb 25, 2023	Hospitality Suite 7M (Level 3M), KL Convention Center		

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