

President Message (ECM)

Dear APACPH colleagues and friends,

First of all, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the participation of all Executive Board Members and all other members who shared your time for this meeting. I would like to sincerely thank Yonsei University for hosting the Conference and contributing their expertise, time and efforts to hold the 49th APACPH Conference. The number of participants attending our annual conferences is growing in number and I am sure that we would offer invaluable opportunities to the participants by providing quality sessions this year as well.

It is inevitable that health issues are no longer restricted to individual's responsibility and these problems put forth the critical role of health. While dealing with these problems, we need to make sure health to be provided to all people, regardless of their social and financial condition. With the help of APACPH Members' continuous hard work on various activities, we would be able to take crucial role in working toward Universal Health Coverage and consolidate our position in health area.

There has been significant increase in impact factor of APJPH and the progress of APACPH accreditation which has been taken up by Mahidol University, Universitas Indonesia and University of Malaya. APACPH Collaborating initiatives and each Regional Director have been active in each area and their activities are crucial in networking APACPH and carrying out research. ICUH (International Cyber University for Health) is also playing important role in providing useful lectures to the countries in need and is in the process of having changes for development. Together with these activities, revision of APACPH Articles is currently ongoing and I am sure that your effort would definitely strengthen and enhance the organization.

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Organizing, Steering and Scientific Committee for their time and effort in putting this Conference together. Special thanks are also due to the authors of keynote and technical papers, participants and all others who have contributed to the success of this conference. I appreciate your effort for the prosperity of APACPH and I wish your active participation for the future of APACPH. Last but not least, I wish you enjoy the APACPH Conference and look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Thank you very much.

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President of APACPH