# **Minutes of IDCMR Executive Meeting 2023**

Date: Saturday, October 14, 2023

Time: 05.00 - 06.00 p.m. (Malaysian Standard Time)

Venue: Tactic Room 2, Aloft Langkawi, Malaysia, and via Cisco Webex Meeting

Participants: IDCMR deans and representatives

#### **Attendee**

#### On-site attendee

1. Professor Dr. Aida Nur Ashikin Abd Rahman, Dean Chair Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia

- 2. Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen, Dean Committee Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University, Thailand
- 3. Professor Callum Durward, Dean Committee Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra, Cambodia
- 4. Associate Professor Dr. Truong Nhut Khue, Dean

  Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Can Tho University of Medicine
  and Pharmacy, Can Tho City, Vietnam
- 5. Associate Professor Tong Minh Son, Dean Committee School of Dentistry, Hanoi Medical University, Vietnam
- 6. Associate Professor Dr. Le Duc Lanh, Dean Committee Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Hong Bang International University, Vietnam

## Online attendee

- 1. Professor Dr. Chidchanok Leethanakul, Dean Committee Faculty of Dentistry, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand
- 2. Associate Professor Khoa Pham Van, Dean

  Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Medicine
  and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

#### Invitee

## On-site invitee

- Professor Xu Biao, Former Dean School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China
- Professor Wang Quan, Deputy Dean School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China
- 3. Professor Dr. Lindawati S. Kusdhany, Representative Faculty of Dentistry, Universitas Indonesia, Indonesia
- 4. Associate Professor Dr. Ratchapin Srisatjaluk, Former Deputy Dean for International Undergraduate Program and Network Collaboration Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University
- 5. Associate Professor Ngo Thi Quynh Lan, Former Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

## Online invitee

- Professor Vorn Vutha, Vice Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Health Sciences, Cambodia
- Associate Professor Dr. Udom Thongudomporn,
   Vice Dean for Academic Affairs and International Relations
   Faculty of Dentistry, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand
- 3. Dr. Do Thi Thao, Vice Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Can Tho University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Can Tho City, Vietnam

## **Absent Attendee**

- Assistant Professor Tuon Hak, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, International University, Cambodia
- Professor Heng Sopanha, Acting Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Health Sciences, Cambodia
- 3. Dr. Somphone Phanthavong, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, University of Health Sciences, Lao PDR
- 4. Dr. Nia Ayu Ismaniati, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, Universitas Indonesia, Indonesia
- 5. Professor Dr. Guo Weihua, Dean School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China
- Professor Dr. Kyaw Thiha, Rector University of Dental Medicine Mandalay, Myanmar
- 7. Professor Shwe Toe, Rector University of Dental Medicine Yangon, Myanmar
- 8. Professor Sunil Muddaiah, Founding Dean Coorg Institute of Dental Sciences, India

# The meeting commenced at 5.00 pm (Malaysian Standard Time)

The Chair of the 17<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress, Professor Dr. Aida Nur Ashikin Abd Rahman, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia, called the meeting to order as follows:

# **Agenda 1: Informative Issues**

# 1.1 17<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Report by the Numbers:

Professor Dr. Aida Nur Ashikin Abd Rahman opened the IDCMR Executive Meeting by reporting the number of delegates and presentations at the 17<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress 2023 as follows:

Total number of participants: 200 (105 international and 95 local)

Number of keynote speakers: 8 Number of presentations: 77 (all as oral presentations)

Sponsors: 7 Exhibitors: 4

## 1.2 IDCMR Membership Fee Report

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen presented the IDCMR membership fee report from 2022 to 2023 and the total membership fee collected is 455,998.77 baht which is equal to 12,324.29 USD (as of October 14, 2023).

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen then informed the meeting that the 2023 IDCMR membership fee could be made either in cash at the meeting or by bank transfer, and stated that the following member institutions have already made their payment for the 2023 IDCMR membership fee before the meeting and sent their payment slip files to the IDCMR Secretariat office's email:

- 1. University of Dental Medicine, Mandalay, Myanmar
- 2. University of Dental Medicine, Yangon, Myanmar
- 3. Coorg Institute of Dental Sciences, India

Other member institutions have acknowledged this to make their payment in due course.

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen informed the meeting that any institution making the payment is requested to send their proof of payment to the IDCMR Secretariat Office's email at dtinter@mahidol.ac.th. The official receipts will be sent to institutions with verified transactions.

(The meeting acknowledged and approved)

#### 1.3 IDCMR Congress Hosts

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen informed the meeting about the upcoming hosts for future IDCMR Congress events. Subsequently, he provided an overview of the past congress hosts from 2004 to the present.

# 1.3.1 IDCMR Congress 2024:

Associate Professor Tong Minh Son confirmed that the 18<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress will be hosted by the School of Dentistry, Hanoi Medical University, Vietnam, from October 23-25, 2024. To announce the next congress's host, a promotional video was played during the IDCMR Executive meeting and the closing ceremony.

## 1.3.2 IDCMR Congress 2025:

Professor Dr. Chidchanok Leethanakul confirmed that the 19<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress in 2025 will be hosted by the Faculty of Dentistry, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand. More details will be provided in due course.

## 1.3.3 IDCMR Congress 2026:

Initially, Professor Callum Durward announced that the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra, Cambodia would host the 20<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress in 2026.

However, Professor Xu Biao proposed that the 20<sup>th</sup> IDCMR Congress in 2026 be held by the School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China, as it coincides with the school's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Professor Callum Durward and the meeting unanimously agreed with this proposal.

Subsequently, Professor Callum Durward informed the meeting that the 21<sup>st</sup> IDCMR Congress in 2027 would be hosted by the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra. The meeting unanimously supported this decision, and official confirmation and additional information will be provided in due course.

In addition, Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen proposed that the 22<sup>nd</sup> IDCMR Congress in 2028 be organized by the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University, in celebration of the school's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The meeting unanimously approved this proposal, and official confirmation and additional information will be provided in due course.

(The meeting acknowledged and approved)

## **Agenda 2: Approval of last meeting minutes**

Professor Callum Durward noted a spelling error in the name of one on-site invitee: Associate Professor Keo Dinamora. The word 'ra' was initially missing from the name.

Following this correction, the minutes of the IDCMR Executive Meeting 2022 held at Coorg Institute of Dental Sciences, India, were approved.

(The meeting acknowledged and approved)

## **Agenda 3: Members of the committee 2023**

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen presented the revision of the committee members, and there were changes to the committee members.

The following members have completed their terms as the deans of their respective institutions and will no longer be members of the IDCMR Executive Committee.

Professor Xu Biao, Dean

(School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China)

Professor Dr. Ko Ko, Rector

(University of Dental Medicine Mandalay, Myanmar)

Dr. Hoang Trong Hung,

Vice Dean in Charge after Associate Professor Ngo Thi Quynh Lan completed her term (Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)

Associate Professor Dr. Nguyen Thi Hong, Dean

(Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Hong Bang International University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)

The following new deans will accordingly be the new members of the committee:

Professor Dr. Guo Weihua, Dean

(School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China)

Professor Dr. Kyaw Thiha, Rector

(University of Dental Medicine Mandalay, Myanmar)

Associate Professor Khoa Pham Van, Dean

(Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)

Associate Professor Dr. Le Duc Lanh, Dean

(Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Hong Bang International University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam) In conclusion, the current Executive Committee shall consist of the following:

## -The President

Professor Dr. Aida Nur Ashikin Abd Rahman Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Malaysia

## -The President-Elect

Associate Professor Tong Minh Son, Dean School of Dentistry, Hanoi Medical University, Hanoi, Vietnam

## -Secretary General / Treasurer and Registrar

Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University, Thailand

#### -The Central Committee

- 1. Assistant Professor Tuon Hak, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, International University, Cambodia
- 2. Professor Heng Sopanha, Acting Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Health Sciences, Cambodia
- 3. Professor Callum Durward, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, University of Puthisastra, Cambodia
- 4. Professor Dr. Guo Weihua, Dean School of Stomatology, Kunming Medical University, China
- 5. Dr. Nia Ayu Ismaniati, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, Universitas Indonesia, Indonesia
- 6. Dr. Somphone Phanthavong, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, University of Health Sciences, Lao PDR
- 7. Professor Dr. Kyaw Thiha, Rector University of Dental Medicine Mandalay, Myanmar
- 8. Professor Shwe Toe, Rector University of Dental Medicine Yangon, Myanmar
- 9. Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University, Thailand
- 10. Associate Professor Dr. Chidchanok Leethanakul, Dean Faculty of Dentistry, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand
- 11. Associate Professor Dr. Truong Nhut Khue, Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Can Tho University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Can Tho City, Vietnam
- 12. Associate Professor Khoa Pham Van, Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- 13. Associate Professor Dr. Le Duc Lanh, Dean Faculty of Odonto-Stomatology, Hong Bang International University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- 14. Professor Sunil Muddaiah, Founding Dean Coorg Institute of Dental Sciences, India

(The meeting acknowledged and approved)

## Agenda 4: Approval of new IDCMR member

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen provided an update regarding membership applications received from the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahsa University, Malaysia, and the Faculty of Dentistry, Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam, as the two institutions applied for IDCMR membership on June 22, 2023, and August 22, 2023, respectively.

Their applications were reviewed by the IDCMR Executive Committee during the IDCMR Executive Meeting 2023, with Professor Dato' Dr. Mohamed Ibrahim Bin Abu Hassan being invited to introduce the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahsa University, and Dr. Trong Hieu Do, being invited to introduce the Faculty of Dentistry, Vietnam National University through PowerPoint and video presentations.

The IDCMR Executive Committee unanimously agreed to grant membership to the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahsa University, Malaysia, and the Faculty of Dentistry, Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam, categorizing them as "Active Members" in compliance with IDCMR BYLAWS, Article 4: Membership.

## Agenda 5: Potential areas of future collaborations and other matters

## IDCMR Scholarship 2024 offered by the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University

Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen informed the meeting about information regarding the IDCMR Scholarships for the year 2024, available exclusively to IDCMR member institutions categorized as active members. The scholarship is divided into two categories:

- a. One-Month Student and Faculty Exchange Program in 2024: This program offers a total of 12 seats, facilitating international exchanges of students and faculty. Further details, including application forms, will be sent via email to each member institution by January 2024.
- b. Postgraduate Program in the Academic Year 2025: This program provides 2 seats for eligible candidates. Full scholarship details and application forms will also be distributed via email to member institutions.

## Ph.D. program scholarship offered by the Faculty of Dentistry at Prince of Songkla University

Associate Professor Dr. Udom Thongudomporn introduced a Ph.D. program scholarship offered by the Faculty of Dentistry, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand. This scholarship combines research and clinical practices, and it will be made available for international Ph.D. candidates. Scholarships will be tailor-made to accommodate students in need of financial support. In cases where candidates receive support from their own country or institution, partial scholarships will be provided. The Ph.D. programs will focus on various dental specialties, including periodontics, endodontics, orthodontics, and more.

#### Postgraduate Scholarship offered by the Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Teknologi Mara

Professor Dr. Aida Nur Ashikin Abd Rahman informed the meeting that the Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia, is planning to offer postgraduate scholarships specifically designated for IDCMR member institutions. Detailed information regarding these scholarships will be communicated to members soon.

Additionally, Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen recommended that each IDCMR member institution is highly encouraged to engage in academic exchanges and collaborations with other member institutions. Following the completion of such collaborations, they could share the results and relevant information by sending them to the email address of the IDCMR Secretariat Office, Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University at <a href="mahidol.ac.th">dtinter@mahidol.ac.th</a> for the Secretariat Office to summarize and present all the information in next year's meeting.

(The meeting acknowledged and approved)

# The meeting adjourned at 06.00 pm (Malaysian Standard Time)

Minutes taken by: Wasin Kijvisala International Relations Office Mahidol University Faculty of Dentistry IDCMR Secretariat Office

Minutes reviewed by: Associate Professor Dr. Ratchapin Srisatjaluk
Former Deputy Dean for International Undergraduate Program and Network Collaboration
Mahidol University Faculty of Dentistry
IDCMR Secretariat Office

Minutes approved by: Clinical Professor Dr. Sirichai Kiattavorncharoen
Dean, Mahidol University Faculty of Dentistry
IDCMR Secretariat Office