Report from the Asian Regency of IFEA, 2012

The 9th World Endodontic Congress is going to be held in Tokyo on 23rd-26th May 2013. This Congress will become a good opportunity to disseminate professional information concerning endodontics internationally, especially in the Asian region.

Efforts are being made to increase IFEA members, including the HKES (Hong Kong) and ESP (Philippines) who resigned from IFEA membership in 2009.

We regret that Dr. Ernesto Vizcarra (Philippines), a great leader of endodontics, passed away on 10th January 2012. Ernie will remain in our mind and in the history

of IFEA forever.

The 17th Scientific Meeting of APEC (Asian Pacific Endodontic Confederation) chaired by Dr. Sung Kyo Kim will take place in Seoul on 23rd-24th March 2013.

As of March 2012, there are four IFEA member societies/associations in the Asian Regency from four countries; India, Japan, Korea and Thailand.

1. Indian Endodontic Society (IES)

http://www.indianendodonticsociety.org

1) Contact Person: Dr. K.S. Banga ksbanga@gmail.com

2) Board of Directors

President: Dr. Kapli Loomba President-elect: Dr. Naseem Shah

Vice-presidents: Drs. Girish Parmar, Mithara Hegde, Mohd Sagir

Secretary General: Dr. K.S. Banga Joint Secretary: Dr. Sharad Kamat Treasurer: Dr. Jaidev Dhillon Editor: Dr. B. Suresh Chandra Executive Committee: 13 members

3) Official Journal

Endodontology is available online at: http://medind.nic.in/eaa/eaam.shtml The Journal is an official biannual publication of IES. The latest issue was published in December 2011 (Vol.23, No.2).

4) Branches

IES has 16 chapters in different parts of the country.

The 27th IACDE (Indian Association of Conservative Dentists and Endodontics) & the 20th IES meeting will take place in Dubai on 6th-9th December, 2012.

2. Japan Endodontic Association (JEA) http://www.jea.gr.jp/english

1) Contact Person: Dr. Hideaki Suda h.suda.endo@tmd.ac.jp

2) Members

JEA has 1,898 members as of 31st December 2011. 3) Board of Directors (Jan 2012 - Dec 2013)

President: Dr. Akifumi Akamine

Vice-presidents: Drs. Hiroaki Kukidome, Masaki Hayashi, Hidemi Kurihara

Immediate-past President: Dr. Masahiro Taguchi

Secretary: Dr. Katsuya Sakuma

Deputy Secretary: Dr. Takashi Matsuo

Treasurer: Dr: Masaru Igarashi Editor: Dr. Hidemi Kurihara **Executive Directors: 10**

4) Official Journal

The Journal of Japan Endodontic Association is published three times a year. The latest issue was published in January 2012 (Vol.33, No.1).

5) Branches

The Association has three regional branches in the eastern, middle and western parts of Japan.

6) Events

The 33rd Annual Meeting of JEA will take place in Tokyo on 16th -17th June 2012. The 9th World Endodontic Congress of IFEA is going to be held in Tokyo on 23rd -26th May 2013 in conjunction with the 34th Annual Meeting of JEA and the 11th Joint Meeting between JEA and KAE. The preparation of the Congress is going on as scheduled. See http://www2.convention.co.jp/ifea2013 for more information.

3. Korean Academy of Endodontics (KAE)

<http://www.endodontics.or.kr>

1) Contact Person: Dr. Sung Kyo Kim skykim@knu.ac.kr

2) Members

Currently KAE has 390 members.

3) Board of Directors (2010-2012)

President: Dr. Tae-Seok Oh

President-elect: Dr. Ho-Keel Hwang

Immediate-past President: Dr. Chan-Ui Hong

Vice-presidents: Drs. Sung-Kyo Kim, Seung-Ho Baek Secretary General: Dr. Il-Young Jung

Treasurer: Dr: Sang-Hyuk Park Editorial Director: Dr. Kyung-Sam Min

Executive Directors: 10

4) Official Journal

The Journal of Korean Academy of Endodontics is published half-yearly. The latest issue was published in March 2012 (Vol.13, No.1).

5) Events

The 41st Annual Scientific Meeting was held at SETEC, Seoul on 24th -25th March 2012 in conjunction with the 10th Joint Meeting between KAE and JEA.

The 17th Scientific Meeting of APEC (Asian Pacific Endodontic Confederation) will take place in Seoul on 23rd–24th March 2013.

4. Endodontic Society of Thailand (EST)

<http://www.thaiendodontics.com>

1) Contact Person: Dr. Somsinee Pimkhaokham somsinee.p@chula.ac.th

2) Members

EST has 1,364 members as of 20th January 2012. 3) Board of Directors (Jan 2012-Dec 2013)

President: Dr. Kwanta Jaru-ampornpan President-elect: Dr. Kallaya Yanpiset

Immediate-past President: Taratorn Sundharagiati

Vice-president: Dr. Piyanee Panitvisai Secretary: Dr. Pranee Hongskul Treasurer: Dr: Anchana Panichuttra

Editor: Dr. Phumisak Louwakul The Executive Directors: 18

4) Official Journal

The Journal of the Endodontic Society of Thailand is published half-yearly. The latest issue was published in December 2011 (Vol.16, No.2).

5) Events

The 1st Annual Academic Meeting in 2011 was held in Bangkok on 14th June 2011 with more than 350 attendees. The 2nd Annual Academic Meeting in 2011 in conjunction with Annual Conference 2011 was held in Bangkok on 5th February 2012 with more than 200 attendees.