



ANCCA e-Meeting.8 (Jul. 30th, 2020) – Minutes of Meeting (Final)

Meeting Time (90 minutes)	From	To
Nepal	12:45	14:15
Indonesia, Vietnam	14:00	15:30
China, Singapore	15:00	16:30
Japan, Korea	16:00	17:30

Participants (18 participants from 7 countries)

1. China (CN): Dr. Min Dai, Ti / 2. Indonesia (ID): Dr. Evlina, Dr. Grace, Julyanti, Mela Dewi / 3. Japan (JP): Dr. Tomohiro Matsuda, Laureline Gatellier / 4. Korea (KR): Prof. Jong Bae Park, Jong Soo Han / 5. Nepal (NP): Dr. Rajendra Prasad Baral / 6. Singapore (SG): Koh Liang Kai / 7. Vietnam (VN): Dr. Tran Thanh Huong, Nguyen Huong Giang, Nguyen Thanh Xuan, Nguyen Hoang Anh

1. Introduction and greetings (Secretariat)

The Secretariat-JP highlighted the importance of regular interaction and collaboration among members, even more stringent recently with COVID-19 pandemic, as witnessed through our achievements described below. This eMtg is also very important to align on short- and long-term plans, including the 8th ANCCA Biannual Meeting, which was originally planned as a face-to-face meeting in Hanoi on Oct. 28th – 30th, 2020.

2. Recent achievement: ANCCA COVID-19 management manuscript (Lead: ID)

ID informed that the manuscript “An Asian Perspective of the management of COVID-19: the Asian National Cancer Centers Alliance led regional comparison” initiated in May 2020 was accepted for submission on Jul. 26th in the Asia Pacific Journal of Cancer Care, and that the galley proof will be shared with all authors in the coming days. ID summarized the *Way Forward* related to experienced gained and lessons learned from the pandemic management in the first half of 2020, and which could be linked to more collaboration in upcoming months among members.

NP, co-author of the manuscript, emphasized the importance and benefit of such shared information for members and broader audience, as Nepal is facing a second wave of COVID-19 related cases in recent days.

Next Action: no specific action was suggested. If any member is interested in following up, please contact ANCCA secretariat.

3. ANCCA Homepage Update (Lead: ID)

ID updated all members on recent achievements with ANCCA website. Updated information widely available included the [COVID-19 specific information banner](#), the “[Program/Publication](#)” page, while more restricted information was maintained with a password for the “Cancer Profile” section (example with arrow [here for Indonesia Cancer Profile](#)” comparing country data).



CN inquired whether ID could send an email to all members each time the ANCCA website would be updated as, if not informed, one does not necessarily think to consult the website. KR commented in the same direction. ID acknowledged the request and plans to propose a feasible measure to facilitate access to the website.

Additionally, ID suggested all members to share more information for the website. One concrete example are pictures that were shared by several members during the COVID-19 survey to show how the zoning was concretely implemented (e.g. “special route” for COVID-19 patients). During the survey, VN and JP already shared such information, so ID plans to include available information. In addition, all members are welcome to share more information (such as slides presented during COVID-19 pandemic management presentations)

Next Action: ID to evaluate the feasibility of regularly informing ANCCA members of website update and to evaluate a potential shift of ANCCA host to IARC.

4. ANCCA2020 in Vietnam planned on Oct. 28th – 30th, 2020 – ANCCA 8th Biannual meeting



VN shared the new [ANCCA2020](#) website, with latest information on speakers and agenda. Due to the pandemic, and current limitations (quarantine of 14 days for anyone planning to enter Vietnam and increasing COVID-19 cases in several provinces of VN), all attending members agreed with the new plan B:

- In 2020: Keep the momentum and set another high-level ZOOM meeting (1.5 hours meeting with directors to acknowledge achievements and confirm upcoming plans for ANCCA)
- In 2021: Face-to-face event in Vietnam (International Conference on Cancer Control x ANCCA 8th Biannual meeting) same time next year (VN to fix the date soon)

Next Action: All members will inform the availability of their Directors to the high-level ZOOM meeting. (Post meeting note) Proposed date is: **Oct. 29th, 2020 (Thu)**, same time as eMtg8 (16:00-17:30 KR/JP time)

5. 2021 NCC GCSP- ANCCA Cancer Frontier Scholarship (Secretariat KR)

KR provided updates on the NCC GCSP- ANCCA scholarship planned for 2021, as UICC fellowship originally planned for 2020 but postponed due to COVID-19. Allowance will be provided to personnel from ANCCA members who obtain the scholarship either for a Master (2 years) or for a PhD (3-4 years) degree. VN inquired whether part of the PhD research could be done in Vietnam, and KR answered that such cases have happened in the past, depending on approval of the research leader.

Next Action: KR will share the details to ID to update ANCCA website in the coming days / weeks.

6. Update on ANCCA new Constitution (Secretariat JP)

JP shared highlights of proposed changes in the ANCCA Constitution, mainly geographical scope (South Asia, South-East Asia, East Asia), and two types of membership (Full member, to be recognized by Ministry of Health, and Associate member for other leading members in the Asian region). CN made suggestions to change the Objective (and make it more general) and to rephrase the geographical scope.

Next Action (Post meeting note): SG and ID provided additional changes. In addition, all other ANCCA members should review the updated draft of the Constitution prior to next meeting on Sep. 28th.

7. ANCCA achievements and goals (think-tank discussion) (Secretariat JP)

JP shared the achievements as well as short-, mid-, and long-term goals and ANCCA declaration agreed in the 1st ANCCA Manuscript [published in APJCP in May 2020](#).

KR reiterated the good achievements of the 2 first manuscripts through strong ANCCA collaboration. Members agreed to fix key projects which are relevant to ANCCA members.

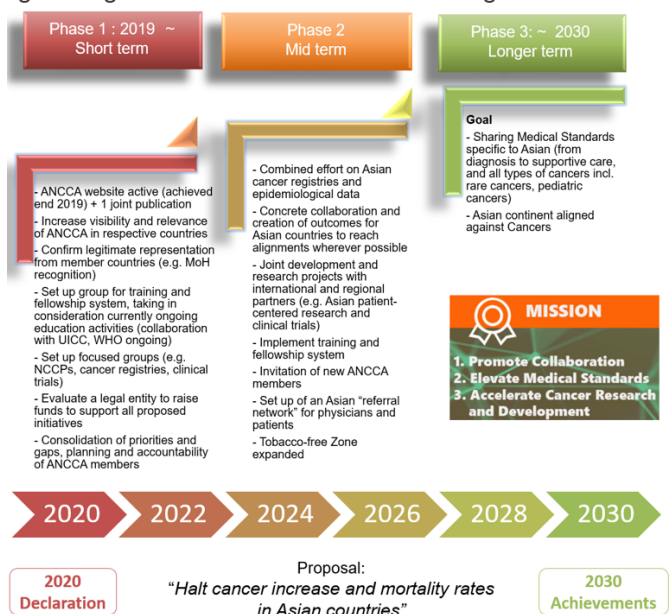
KR suggested to draw a clear agenda with specific motto for areas in high need in Asia. Visible and tangible goals should be set for each project at start.

List of suggested projects by ANCCA members were:

- Pediatric cancers
- Young age women cancers (breast, lung)
- Rare cancers
- Cancer Incidence in the Asian region (with IARC collaboration)
- NCCP comparison
- COVID-19 follow up project
- Invitation of new ANCCA members

NP suggested to lead coordination with NCCs from other South Asian countries not yet in ANCCA.

Next Action: All ANCCA members to review the list of suggested projects and come with suggestions regarding leading or participating to any project. Post-meeting note: ID, VN, JP already showed interest in NCCP comparison project.



8. Date for next e-Mtg.9: Sep. 28th, 2020 (Mon) (same time as eMtg.8)