



## ANCCA High Level Satellite Webinar (Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021)

### “ANCCA and Codes Against Cancer”

Minutes (Final)

#### Panelists (around 30 panelists from 15 countries and associated institutions)

Brunei (BN)	Dr Babu Sukamaran, Datin Dr Noraslinah Hj Ramlee, Dr Sokking Ong
India (IN)	Dr CS Pramesh, Dr Manju Sengar
Indonesia (ID)	Dr Soeko W. Nindito, Dr Ockti Palupi Rahayuningtyas, Dr Salifah Safira, Dr Erwin, Dr Azmi Ritana,
Japan (JP)	Dr Tomohiro Matsuda, Dr Manami Inoue, Dr Sarah Abe, Laureline Gatellier
Korea (KR)	Dr Eun Young Park, M. Jong Soo Han
Malaysia (MY)	Dr Nor Saleha binti Ibrahim Tamin, Dr. Ros Suzanna Ahmad Bustamam, Dr Suhana Yusak, Dr Siti Norbayah Yusof, Dr Malar
Singapore (SG)	Prof. William Hwang, Dr Gilliam Phua Li Gek, Dr Albert Ty
Vietnam (VN)	Dr Tran Quoc Bao, Dr. Tran Thanh Huong, Dr. Nguyen Huong Giang
IARC	Dr Joachim Schuz, Dr Carolina Espina

1. Introduction of the Asian National Cancer Centres Alliance (ANCCA) (Prof William Hwang)
 

Prof William started by introducing ANCCA’s vision, mission, and rolling secretariats. He then shared the history of ANCCA, which was established in 2005. He went through more details of the new vision, including the acceleration for cancer research. He also explained the position of ANCCA as a Key Player in Asia, and its goal to promote the best cancer care for the Asian continent. Three phases were then explained: Short term (up to 2023), Mid term (up to 2027) and longer term (up to 2030) to tackle cancer. He then explained recent achievements, including the website hosting, taskforces, expansion of membership, of full and associate ANCCA members. He then introduced the NCCP taskforce and the goal to create an Asian Code against Cancer, not an easy task in a very diverse landscape. He also introduced the fellowship training programs and education. The next presented topic was the COVID taskforce, and the publication of related manuscripts based on key information extracted through collaboration among ANCCA members. He ended his presentation, highlighting the fact that ANCCA members have a key position as entity recognized by their government, but also by international organizations, policy makers, advocacy groups and other related entities. ANCCA is a strong key player in Asia but network of friends, where we can share our challenges and help each other in the region.
2. World Code against Cancer
  - 1) World Code against Cancer Framework (Joachim Schuz)
 

Dr Joachim Schuz gave an overview on the World Code against Cancer framework from understanding to prevention as well as a timeline for the regional codes against cancer. He introduced evaluation, monitoring and sustainability in relation to specific recommendations. Dr Schuz covered the structure of the code and who develops the code as well as other important questions such as the planning and development phases.
  - 2) Regional codes against cancer and scientific methodology (Carolina Espina)
 

Dr Espina gave an overview of the Regional Codes against Cancer outcomes, outputs and methodology. Criteria for the development of each Code includes: robust scientific evidence, relevant to the region, suitable for the general population, and several levels of information, among other criteria. Capacity building through a microlearning programme was also highlighted as an important component of the regional codes. Dr. Espina introduced the governance established in the IARC/WHO World Code framework, with the example of the Latin American Code against Cancer with over 60 regional experts as well as the timeline. She concluded with five take-home messages:



effective communication, empowering communities using the framework, strong evidence, ownership and political impact and a united voice.

### 3) Toward an Asian Code against Cancer (facilitator: Tomohiro Matsuda)

- Korea (Jeong Soo Im, Eun Young Park)  
Dr Jeong Soo Im introduced the milestones of the National Cancer Control Plan of Korea (1996-2021) and compared the 10 Korean Codes and Guidelines with the European Code.
- Brunei (Babu Sukumaran, Ong Sokking, Noraslinah)  
Dr. Ong Sokking gave an overview of Cancer prevention & control initiatives in Brunei Darussalam, followed by Brunei's health promotion & disease prevention priorities. The presentation also covered the country's cancer registry & health surveys findings
- India (Manju Sengar, CS Pramesh)  
Dr. Manju Sengar spoke about India's cancer burden and overview of the National Cancer Control Program starting in 1975 as well as an introduction to the National Monitoring Framework on NCD including 10 targets. Health promotion in the country currently is not a formal code.
- Indonesia (Soeko, Ockti Palupi, Salifah Safira)  
Dr Soeko introduced Indonesia's Cancer Control Program: Cancer Awareness and Prevention and the NCD Prevention Campaign. The presentation included a comparison between Indonesia's Cancer Prevention Strategies and the European Code against Cancer as well as existing scientific evidence. Cancer Network Development supports the Implementation of the Cancer Control Program
- Japan (Manami Inoue)  
Dr Manami Inoue presented a timeline of major events for the cancer control program in Japan as well as a bridge to translational research activities toward cancer prevention. She introduced the Research group for the Development and Evaluation of Cancer Prevention Strategies in Japan and the evidence assessment flow in the country. Japan currently has six evidence-based cancer prevention recommendations in comparison to the 12 European recommendations. Dr. Inoue also shared the current organized cancer screening in Japan
- Malaysia (Siti Norbayah binti Yusof, Nor Saleha binti Ibrahim Tamin)  
Malaysia gave a snapshot of the cancer control program in the country and targets for the next four years as well as themes. The speakers also presented key references and scientific evidence in the country
- Singapore (Gillian Phua Li Gek, Albert Ty)  
Dr Gillian Phua Li Gek introduced key outcomes for future cancer care in Singapore and highlighted focus areas on each outcome.
- Vietnam (Tran Thanh Huong)  
Dr Huong gave an overview of cancer and risk factors in Vietnam as well as a snapshot of the cancer control program which started in 2008. She further presented the targets for 2021-2031 including screening, cancer registry & surveillance, capacity building and palliative care & cancer patient support in comparison with the European Code and country evidence.
- Comparison Table (Manami Inoue)  
Dr Inoue presented a comparison of the European Code Against Cancer and current recommendations among the eight countries included in the Satellite panel discussion. Most countries included tobacco, alcohol, bmi physical activity and screening. Diet and vaccinations were included in some of the countries, while work place, breast feeding, HRT and radiation recommendations were mainly not included.

Total number of Panelists & Attendees: around 102