MAY 18, 2023 HYBRID MEETING (ECO IN DUBLIN, IRELAND AND ZOOM)

COUNCIL MEETING # 25

ASIA OCEANIA ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF OBESITY (AOASO) 2023

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4	1. LEONARD KYOUNG-KON KIM (PRESIDENT OF AOASO; KSSO)
5	2. JASPER WEN-YUAN LIN (VICE PRESIDENT OF AOASO; TMASO)
6	3. MOHD ISMAIL NOOR (PAST PRESIDENT OF AOASO; MASO)
6 7 8	4. BRETT KUO-CHIN HUANG (PAST PRESIDENT OF AOASO; TMASO)
8	5. CHEOL-YOUNG PARK (PRESIDENT, KSSO, KOREA)
9	6. CHIA WEN-LU (SECRETARY GENERAL, TMASO, TAIWAN)
10	7. BRIJ MAKKAR (REPRESENTATIVE, AIAARO, INDIA)
11 12	8. DICKY LEVENUS TAHAPARY (REPRESENTATIVE, ISSO, INDONESIA)
12	OBSERVERS
14	1. JEE KYUN KANG (KSSO)
15	2. SIDARTAWA GEGADO (ISSO)
16	3. YOO BIN SEO (KSSO)
17	4. CHANG CHIN YEN (TMASO)
18	5. TUN JEN HSIAO (TMASO)
19	6. YI-CHING YANG (TMASO)
20 21	7. CHANG HEE JUNG (KSSO)
$\frac{21}{22}$	8. TIMOTHY GILL (EDUCATION CHAIR OF AOASO, ANZOS)
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24	ONLINE
25	1. BRIAN OLDFIELD (IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT OF AOASO, ANZOS)
26	2. MIA FOJAS (SECRETARY GENERAL OF AOASO, PASOO)
27	3. KOUTARO YOKOTE (PRESIDENT, JASSO, JAPAN)
28 29	4. MASAMITSU NAKAZATO (REPRESENTATIVE, JASSO, JAPAN)
29 30	5. NEMENCIO NICODEMUS, JR. (PRESIDENT, PASOO, PHILIPPINES) 6. LEONIE HEILBRONN (PRESIDENT, ANZOS, AUSTRALIA)
31	7. GEETA APPANNAH (PRESIDENT, MASO, MALAYSIA)
32	8. MHOD RAZIF SHAHRIL (SECRETARY GENERAL, MASO, MALAYSIA)
33	9. DO THI NGOC DIEP (VICE PRESIDENT, VINUTAS, VIETNAM)
34	10. MICHELE YUEN (REPRESENTATIVE, HKOS, HONGKONG)
35	11. PIYAMART SITIPREDANANT (SECRETARIAT, BARSO, THAILAND)
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37 38	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
39	1. KWANG-WEI THAM (TREASURER OF AOASO, SASO, SINGAPORE)
40	2. ELAINE RUSH (REPRESENTATIVE, ANZOS, NEW ZEALAND)
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108 Comment: 109 Oldfield: Leonard Kim is part of the membership committee of the WOF. 110 Members of AOASO are automatically part of the WOF. Inviting members 111 into the AOASO directly is the best way moving forward. 112 113 B. Expiration of Membership 1. Difficulty contacting member society: 114 115 Examples: 116 a. North Korea (e-mail bouncing back, probably due to firewall) 117 b. Thailand Society for the Study of Obesity (TSSO) not present and not 118 responding to emails 119 Comment: 120 • Noor: TSSO has been missing in action for several years 121 122 2. Absence from meetings for two consecutive years without apologies. 123 Comment 124 Lin: Suggest is to suspend the membership 125 126 Still for decision at AOCO Council Meeting in HongKong 127 128 3. Membership Fees 129 There is still a need in terms of the interest and contribution of member 130 societies to the AOASO 131 We may also consider expiring membership of societies that have not paid for • 132 more than 2 years 133 Deciding on fees • 134 Same amount for all societies? 135 If the imposed amount will be disporportionately high, some 136 societies may have to think about the cost-effectiveness of participating in AOASO 137 138 139 Still for decision at the AOCO Council Meeting in HongKong 140 141 Comments/ Suggestions: 142 • Note that we also pay for the WOF membership fee per member • Sliding scale, bigger number membership, higher fee. 143 144 • One-time membership fee (Life-membership), 100 euros per country. 145 • Post-covid, societies have been having trouble signing in for 146 memberships. More difficult now to keep membership numbers high, and 147 what members would actually get from these. 148 Give as "token". 149 150 V. Funding Plans 151 A. Advertisement 152 Aim is to expand and disseminate pharmaceutical knowledge and maximize 153 patient benefits by widely promoting the Company's knowledge and 154 experience to HCP's 155 Advertising channels eligible for receiving support are as follows: 1. Printed materials/electronic documents created for the purpose of 156 157 treating, preventing and educating about diseases, distributed to 158 HCP's 159 AOASO website – up to USD 10,000.00/ year OR limit of USD 160 1.000.00/ month 161 3. Educational materials distributed to HCP's 162

B. Support academic conference hosting

163 C. AOASO Partners 164 A commercial enterprise that produces products used in research for the 165 diagnosis and management of obesity and its complications 166 A government agency that formulates/implements policies regarding 167 obesity and its complications 168 • Conflicts of interest - products linked to obesity and its co-morbidites, for example sweetened beverages (CocaCola) will not be allowed 169 170 171 Comments: 172 Oldfield: sources of income are very important. General advertisement from a 173 company - Each member society should decide on the appropriateness of 174 this move. Patient-advocate groups may not be amenable to an alignment 175 with pharmaceutical companies for financial gain. Pharmaceutical support 176 may be allowed for dedicated events, such as for a scientific meeting, or in 177 writing a consensus document. Blanket advertisement can be interpreted as 178 an endorsement by AOASO if placed in the website. 179 180 Heilbronn: Societies have been questioned by the press with regard to 181 support in activities from companies like Novo Nordisk. There will be 182 concerns about this if a blanket advertisement form big companies like Novo 183 Nordisk, Lilly or Merck Sharpe and Dohme. 184 185 Makkar: create a separate section for ads in the website. Minimum limit 186 suggested more than putting an upper limit. Educational grant/CME through 187 the website. Ads from products without evidence for weight loss must not be 188 placed. This should be evaluated first by a committee. 189 190 Tahapary: idea is to increase revenue for AOASO. Aside from conferences, 191 which happens every 2 years, we need to raise our finances through other 192 means. I agree with India regarding CME/Educational grant. Blanket 193 advertisement should have guidelines. 194 195 Nakazato: I agree with the suggestions. We would like to have partnerships 196 with pharmaceutical companies in Japan. 197 198 Nicodemus: We partner with pharmaceuticals for specific activities. We do 199 not encourage blanket partnerships. 200 201 Diep: In Vietnam, we have a group which looks into partnerships with 202 pharmaceuticals. I agree to partnering with pharmaceutical companies. 203 204 VI. Establishment of Committees 205 A. Education Committee 206 Develop educational materials for healthcare professionals and the general 207population 208 209 B. General Affairs Committee 210 Under the secretary general, implement general affairs 211 212 C. Scientific Committee 213 Develop scientific programs, to coordinate with host countries for AOCO. 214 215 D. Clinical Care Committee 216 Review existing regional guidelines and create obesity management guidelines 217 for AOASO, not just South and SEA

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219		E. Prevention Committee
220		 Analyse epidemiological data and establish nutrition and physical activity
221		guidelines
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223		F. Policy Committee
224		 Develop AOASO projects and device strategies for the prevention and
225		management of obesity in the region
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227		G. Membership Committee
228		 Responsible for inviting new members
229		 Oversee current membership status of countries.
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231		Comments/Suggestions:
232		 Quarterly meetings with the committee directors with the executive committee for
233		updates
234		 Makkar: All committees with 1 or 2 coordinators, not called directors, with 5
235		members. The society president and secretary will be de facto members of all the
236		committees. Specific roles for immediate past president (res com), president elect
237		(for sci com), vice president and treasurer will head other committees.
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239	VII.	AOCO 2023 Updates (Michele Yuen)
240		August 4-6, 2023, "Many Faces of Obesity"
241		Venue: Hong Kong Exhibition and Convention Center
242		Expenses for the Venue (Total): USD 23,157.05
243		Types of lectures and number:
244		Plenary (45 + 15min) – 5
245		Symposia (25 + 5 min each x 3 = 1.5h) – 48
246		Sponsored lectures (30min) - 4
247		Oral presentations (1.5h)
248		6 x 10min + 5 min - 6
249		All member countries are represented in the panel of apackars
250		All member countries are represented in the panel of speakers
251 252		 Faculty 35 overseas so far including RSS and Presidents' updates
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255 254		 Projected expenses (Honorarium, Accommodation, Transportation, Scholarship grante/ gwarda) : USD 72 204
255		grants/ awards) : USD 72,304
256		Total Expenditure so far: USD 230,674.00
257		Financial Support:
258		 Industry support from the HK offices + 1 Singapore-based office
259		 MEHK (under HK Tourism Board)
260		 HKOS central fund (to cover for any loss)
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262		Plans that need to be forfeited
263		 SCOPE school (need to pay £16,000)
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265		Important dates
266		Deadline of Abstract: 15 May 2023 Deadline for late has a late at 20, have 2002
267		Deadline for late-breaking abstract: 30 June 2023
268		Notification of acceptance: June 2023
269		Registration deadline for presenting author: July 2023
270		Awards:
271		Best Oral Presentation

272 273 274 275		 Best Poster Best Young Investigator for Oral Presentations Best Young Investigator for Poster Presentations 				
276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283	VIII.	Rising Star Symposium A. Nominated 1. Australia – Dr. Tara Boelsen 2. Japan – Dr. Masaomi Miura (Tokyo) 3. Indonesia – Dr. Fathimah Sulistryowati Sigit 4. Malaysia – Yi Ting Chong 5. Vietnam – Thi Ngoc Trinh Nguyen				
283 284 285 286 287 288 288 289		 B. Deadlines Submission of nominees: 31 May 2023 Submission of nominees abstracts: 14 June 2023 If final number of nominees is over 6, evaluation of abstracts and selection of final presenters will be done. 				
290 291 292 293 294 295 296 297 298	IX.	 Presidents' Updates (10 min each from 7 presidents) A. Diagnostic criteria B. Guidelines on obesity management C. Status of reimbursement for pharmacotherapy D. Difficulties related to the management of obesity E. National representative obesity or nutrition survey. 				
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