



Developing World Committee Minutes

Wednesday 4th September 2019,

Venue: Swedish Exhibition & Congress Centre

Room: [Meeting Room 3](#)

Time: 07.15-08.15

Chair: Sakineh Hajebrahimi

Members: Kate Sloane, Margaret McDougald (MmD),

Apologies: Ajay Singla, Laleh Amini,

Also in Attendance: Alex Lin, Sherif Mourad

SH welcomed everyone to the committee meeting.

1. **Committee picture to be taken-** Taken

2. **Approval Tokyo minutes (attached)**

The committee reviewed the minutes and confirmed that they were accurate. MmD nominated and KS seconded the minutes.

3. **Committee Terms of Office (attached)**

MmD and KS will finish their first term on the committee in Las Vegas, they need to confirm whether they wish to renew their position. MmD confirmed that she did, KS advised she would confirm after the meeting.

Action: KS to confirm whether she wishes to renew her position for a second term.

4. **Committee Terms of Reference (attached)**

Committee would like to review and discuss further, JE to upload to forum for discussion.

Action: JE to upload TOR to forum for discussion.

AL asked whether there was a definition for developing world? SH confirmed that there was, MmD confirmed that it's no longer called developing world – it's low resource countries. SH agreed, the World Bank [categorises countries based on various characteristics](#), such as geography, lending eligibility, fragility, and



average level of income. When it comes to income, the World Bank divides the world's economies into four income groups: high, upper-middle, lower-middle, and low. So, there is no longer term like developing or developed countries.

Post script note: MmD suggested Global Health as an alternative name for the committee

5. Reminder SOP process

JE showed the SOP slide, highlighting the need to follow the ICS SOP's for all projects. Any questions please contact Avicia at the office: avicia@ics.org

6. Committee Report – update from Chair

- a. *Update - Systematic review for prevalence of urinary incontinence in developing world.*

SH confirmed this as an achievement for the committee. It's a very important document! The main outcome of the document is where is urinary incontinence more prevalent and where is it not? After this review the committee plans to publish their findings.

- b. *New Project Update - Multi- national LUTs Prevalence study*

SH confirmed that 5 countries were selected to do the study. SH is in communication with the 5 countries and this is an on-going project.

- c. *Update - ICI Algorithms into Arabic*

SH advised that the document has been transferred into Arabic, copies of these were shown during the meeting. The plan was to translate the algorithms in to 6 languages but now only Persian Arabic and Turkish translations are available.

SM asked whether the purpose of these publications was for patients or Drs? SH confirmed that the intention was for Drs. SM expressed concern that the document was in Arabic when most Drs work in English, the only Arabic country that would be using it in Arabic is Syria. MmD felt that it depends on the profession, Drs would learn in English, but nurses would learn in Arabic, so it is useful for other professions to have access to. KS agreed, Drs have a better understanding of English, but nurses and physiotherapists would need translated documents. MmD has personal experienced of this in Ethiopia, where a variety of languages are used. The nurses are doing the work of physiotherapists, so this type of document would be of benefit to them.

SM leaves.

Other planned activities:



- >Training workshops in Sudan
- >Meeting in Georgia in 2019
- >Standalone course in Sudan
- >Iranian course November 6-7. MmD offered to attend this course, SH & MmD will discuss further.

7. AOB

SH thanked the committee for their support during her term as chair, she will now pass over to SM to take forward and wished the committee the best.

Group discussed possible committee activities for SM to look into:

- >MmD suggested training the trainer courses – which will help improve local skills.
- >KS was interested in expanding the algorithms translations into other languages e.g. French, Bangladeshi and Bengali. SH has a contact who could translate into Bangladeshi. Group discussed the algorithms and the benefits of translations.
- >MmD would like the scientific committee to amend the wording on abstract submissions. It currently states first name then family name – but this is English/UK specific. I doesn't translate into other parts of the world – they would say 1st and 2nd name.

Action: Office to contact Scientific Committee with the suggestion to amend the application process: first/family name to 1st and 2nd name.

MmD would like the Board to reconsider their policy regarding annual meeting locations. This has changed from ROW every 4th year and there are areas that now aren't being covered. JE suggested that AL raise this to the Board on behalf of the committee.

Action: AL to raise with the Board the need for Annual Meetings to be held in other (ROW) locations.

KS thanked SH for her leadership and hard work – all agreed and a round of applause with given to SH.

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