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This series of virtual meetings will convene a broad group of key stakeholders to lead initiatives to strengthen surgical care in the Asia-Pacific region. Three 2-hour long sessions will be hosted fortnightly from February to March 2021. The public audience will be able to view the workshop in a webinar format

SESSIONS:

- 01 Improving Surgical Care in the Asia-Pacific Region: Current Status & Opportunities** - February 18th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT
- 02 Financing for Surgical, Obstetric, Anaesthesia, & Trauma Care**
March 4th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT
- 03 Strategic Partnerships in Supporting Surgical Care**
March 17th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Provide recent updates and historical context for surgical capacity strengthening in the Asia-Pacific and globally.
- Identify challenges and opportunities to improve surgical care in the Asia-Pacific.
- Discuss the role of partnerships with the WHO, funding agencies, professional organisations, academic institutions, and private organisations
- Explore the possibilities for coordinated efforts and regional collaboration.



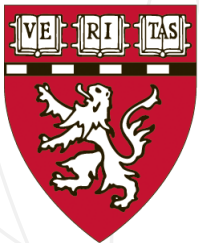
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PROGRAM IN GLOBAL SURGERY AND SOCIAL CHANGE

Harvard Medical School

The Program in Global Surgery and Social Change (PGSSC) was founded in 2008 as a collaborative effort between the Harvard teaching hospitals, the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School, Boston Children's Hospital, and Partners in Health. Our primary objective is to promote and advocate for universal access to safe, affordable, and timely surgical, anesthesia, and obstetrics and gynecology care when needed through clinical and health care services research, policy development, and the training of leaders in global surgery. The mission of the PGSSC is to achieve excellence and equity in global surgical and anesthesia care through leadership and innovation in education, training, research, and advocacy. Projects undertaken by the PGSSC consist of sustainable efforts to improve the delivery of quality surgery and anesthesia in low- and middle-income countries in the Americas, Africa, the Middle East, and the Caribbean.



CENTER FOR GLOBAL HEALTH DELIVERY

HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL

The Harvard Medical School Center for Global Health Delivery is addressing some of the most pressing health challenges globally, from infectious disease to mental health. By focusing on research, medical education, and training that promises to improve health care delivery systems and patient outcomes, our work creates both care delivery and research capacity where our affiliates live and work. The Center, established by Harvard Medical School in 2014, is a hub for policy formulation and analysis that is optimizing the last phase of health care delivery, ensuring that care providers have the systems and tools necessary to alleviate human suffering caused by disease. The Center does not provide patient care but focuses exclusively on research and training.

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) provides innovative learning solutions to individuals, organizations and institutions to enhance global decision-making and support country-level action for shaping a better future. UNITAR was created in 1963 to train and equip young diplomats from newly-independent UN Member States with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate through the diplomatic environment. Over the years, UNITAR has acquired unique expertise and experience in designing and delivering a variety of training activities. We have become a leading institute in the provision of customized and creative learning solutions to institutions and individuals from both public and private sectors. With a strategy fully focused on achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), UNITAR supports Governments to implement the 2030 Agenda.



Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

RACS is the leading advocate for surgical standards, professionalism, and surgical education in Australia and New Zealand. RACS Global Health perceives access to health care as a human right and our program aligns with Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and Wellbeing. We take an integrated approach to health development to ensure gains are sustained into the future. We recognise that it is not possible to increase access to healthcare simply by supporting surgical services or by working with healthcare workers alone. Therefore, RACS Global Health works in partnership with Ministries of Health, hospitals, clinicians and patients in the Asia-Pacific region to improve access to surgical and broader health services; develop the capacity of the health workforce; strengthen health systems and advocate for sustainable and inclusive surgical and health care.

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**THE
GLOBAL
SURGERY
FOUNDATION**

**Ensuring access to Emergency and
Essential Surgery for all people**

The concept for the Global Surgery Foundation (GSF) was initiated in 2016 following the Lancet Commission on Global Surgery in 2015 and the WHA Resolution 68.15. GSF provides a common, collaborative platform aimed at building capacity across the wide spectrum of surgical care systems, including obstetrics, paediatrics, injury and trauma, and the treatment of NCDs such as cancer. The platform will facilitate a coordinated, integrated effort to meet the unmet surgical needs, including service delivery, research, training and innovative funding mechanisms. The vision of the Global Surgery Foundation is a world in which all people have access to safe and affordable emergency and essential surgery. Its mission is to facilitate the development of surgical, obstetrical and anaesthesia care systems that will ensure universal access to emergency and essential surgical care.

SESSION 1: IMPROVING SURGICAL CARE IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION: CURRENT STATUS & OPPORTUNITIES

February 18th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT

- (15-20 minutes) **Framing Talks By:**
 - Dr. John G. Meara (Harvard PGSSC)
 - Dr. Takeshi Kasai (WHO Regional Director for the Western Pacific)
 - Dr. Poonam Singh (WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia)
 - Mr. Nikhil Seth (Executive Director, UNITAR)
 - Dr. Liz McLeod (Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons)
- (40 minutes) **Panel Discussion**
 - Dr. Howard Sobel (WPRO)
 - Dr. Ifereimi Waqainabete (Fiji)
 - Lord Viliami Tangi (Tonga)
 - Dr. Mohamed Yusof bin Abdul Wahab (Malaysia)
 - Dr. Josephine Herman (the Cook Islands)
 - Dr. Bikash Devkota (Nepal)
- (40 minutes) **Open Discussion**
 - Questions from Participants & Audience



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**DR. SALMAN
KESHAVJEE**

Salmaan Keshavjee, MD, PhD, ScM, is the Director of Harvard Medical School's Center for Global Health Delivery. He is also a Professor of Global Health and Social Medicine at the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine (DGHSM) at Harvard Medical School and an Associate Physician at the Division of Global Health Equity at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Dr. Keshavjee has been leading the Harvard Medical School Center for Global Health Delivery since 2014. Under his direction, the Center addresses some of today's most pressing health challenges by focusing on research, medical education and training that promises to improve healthcare delivery systems and patient outcomes.



DR. JOHN G. MEARA

Plastic Surgeon-in-Chief, Boston Children's Hospital
Kletjian Professor of Global Surgery, Harvard Medical School

Dr. Meara is the Director of the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change, and Professor of Surgery in the Department of Surgery at Harvard Medical School. He was Co-Chair for the Lancet Commission on Global Surgery and was a commissioner on the Lancet Global Health Commission on High Quality Health Systems in the SDG Era, and the Lancet Oncology Commission. He currently serves as a commissioner on the Lancet Commission on Diagnostics. In 2008 he created the Paul Farmer Global Surgery Fellowship program. He is also interested in value-based health care and implementation science research, including time driven activity-based cost research and outcomes research. Dr. Meara has led several ICHOM projects focusing on outcomes reporting and international benchmarking.

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**MR. NIKHIL
SETH**

UNITAR Executive Director and United Nations Assistant Secretary-General

Mr. Nikhil Seth joined UNITAR as its Executive Director on Oct 1, 2015. Before assuming this post, Nikhil Seth was the Director of the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) at the United Nations Secretariat in New York. In this role he served as head of the Rio+20 secretariat and of the secretariat for the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, spearheading the preparations for these conferences in Rio, Brazil, and Apia, Samoa. Mr. Seth also served as the Director for ECOSOC, Secretary of the Economic and Financial Committee (2nd Committee), Secretary of ECOSOC and with the USG of DESA. He was closely involved with many of the Summits and Conferences of the 1990's - as a delegate from India and as part of the support secretariat.



**DR. TAKESHI
KASAI**

Dr. Takeshi Kasai began his term as WHO Regional Director for the Western Pacific on 1 February 2019, following his nomination by the WHO Regional Committee for the Western Pacific and his appointment by the WHO Executive Board. He has worked for WHO for more than 15 years, previously as the Director of Programme Management at the WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific in Manila, Philippines. As a Technical Officer and later as the Director of the Division of Health Security at the Regional Office, he was instrumental in developing and implementing the Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases and Public Health Emergencies. Dr. Kasai also served as the WHO Representative in Viet Nam from 2012 to 2014, and in 2014 received the For the People's Health Medal from the Government, the top honor bestowed upon those who have made significant contributions to public health.

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**DR. POONAM
KHETRUPAL
SINGH**

Dr. Poonam Khetrupal Singh, an Indian national, became the first woman to assume the office of WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia on 1 February 2014. Prior to that she served for over two decades as a civil servant in India as a member of the Indian Administrative Services and was the Health Secretary of the State of Punjab. In 1987 Dr. Khetrupal Singh moved to the Health, Population and Nutrition Department of The World Bank. In 1998 she joined WHO headquarters as Executive Director, Sustainable Development and Healthy Environments Cluster. Since becoming Regional Director in 2014, Dr. Khetrupal Singh has marshaled her full strategic acumen in service of the Region's Member States, which together account for more than a quarter of humanity. This can be witnessed in her decision to consult Member States on their priorities and challenges and -- with their further input -- develop a series of Flagship Priority Programmes that have since been pursued with tenacity and high-level resolve, and which have borne many successes. In 2019 she got nominated for a second term as Regional Director. While continuing to pursue the Flagship Priorities, Dr. Khetrupal Singh has articulated the strategic axes on which her vision for the Region hinges. These include sustaining the Region's many gains, accelerating progress, and harnessing the full power of innovation to ensure all people everywhere can access the services they need, without facing financial hardship.

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**DR. LIZ
MCLEOD**

Dr. Liz McLeod is a dual certified paediatric and general surgeon, currently in clinical practice in Melbourne. She has a MPH, with a research focus on program evaluation, and has been working with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Global Health team since 2007. Her involvement includes program design for the Pacific Islands Program, service delivery in Eastern Indonesia, and as Chair of the Global Health Monitoring and Evaluation Committee and member of the Global Health Executive Committee. She was the RACS representative for the WHO technical advisory group developing the Safe and Affordable Surgery Regional Action Framework adopted at the WPRO RCM in October last year.



**DR. KEE B.
PARK**

Dr. Kee Park is the Director of Policy and Advocacy at Harvard Medical School's Program in Global Surgery and Social Change and a Member of the Expert Advisory Panel on Surgical Care at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

Dr. Park practiced private neurosurgery for 12 years in the US before spending the next decade teaching neurosurgery in Nepal, Ethiopia, and Cambodia. He joined the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change in 2016 where he focuses the policy and advocacy aspects of global surgery as well as global neurosurgery.

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**DR. HOWARD
SOBEL**

Howard L. Sobel, MD, PHD, MPH, is an Internist, Pediatrician and Preventive Medicine Physician and Coordinator responsible for Safe and Affordable Surgery Quality and Safety, Infection prevention and control and Maternal and Child Health at the World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Office for the Western Pacific. He has worked in WHO Headquarters (Geneva, HIV), Guyana (Immunization), Ghana (immunization consultant), Taiwan, China (SARS), Philippines and Cambodia (Maternal and Child Health, Immunizations and Nutrition Team Leader) and currently as WHO Regional Office Coordinator. He just completed deployment in Lao PDR as acting Head of Office for the COVID response, and previously worked in Uganda (refugee health) and China (researcher). He focuses on operationalizing and scaling up evidence-based programs that save lives across the lifespan in low and middle-income countries. He has more than 50 internationally peer-reviewed publications, 20 WHO publications and has been part of Editorial Review Boards and reviewer of manuscripts for many journals. Dr. Sobel gained his undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech in Engineering, Medical Doctorate at Medical College of Virginia, Master's of Public Health at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health where he was Chief Resident and instructor, and PhD at Ghent University, Belgium.



**DR. MOHAMED YUSOF
BIN ABDUL WAHAB**

Dr. Mohamed Yusof Bin Hj Abdul Wahab graduated from University Sains Malaysia in 1987. In 1995 he completed his FRCS (Edin), became a General Surgeon, then the Head of Department of Surgery HTAR Klang and Selangor State Head of General Surgical Services. He is actively involved in many state and national level committees and training activities and is currently actively championing a Patient Navigation Programme for Breast Cancer and Global Surgery. Dr. Yusof is currently the Head of General Surgical Services for the Ministry of Health Malaysia. He is responsible for planning and recommending the direction of development of general surgical services, manpower planning and distribution, and overseeing training programmes for General Surgery and General Surgery Subspecialties.

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**HON. DR. IFEREIMI
WAQAINABETE**

Hon. Dr. Ifereimi Waqainabete is Fiji's Minister for Health and Medical Services. He has been a clinician/medical officer by profession since 1998 and rose through the ranks to assume the role of a specialist surgeon from 2006 to 2015. He was an Associate Professor in Surgery at the Fiji National University from 2016 to 2018 and to date still maintains the passion and enthusiasm in this field of medical care. He is currently the President of the Pacific Islands Surgeons Association. Among his notable accolades. He was a recipient of the prestigious Rowan Nicks Fellowships & Scholarships whereby he assumed the position of a Senior Registrar, General Surgery at the Palmerston North Hospital in New Zealand in 2004 and 2005. He also spent 2 years as a Clinical Surgical Fellow at Christchurch Public Hospital and Hon. Lecturer at Otago University.



**LORD VILIAMI
TANGI**

Lord Tangi (Dr. Viliami Tangi) is currently the Chief Surgeon Specialist at Vaiola Hospital, the main referral hospital in Tonga. He is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS). Lord Tangi was appointed Minister for Health, Tonga in March 1999, a post he held for almost twelve years. He was appointed directly from the clinical settings. Lord Tangi was also the Deputy Prime Minister, Tonga from May 2006 to the end of 2010. More recently he has been a member of the Privy Council of Tonga.

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**DR. AUMEA
HERMAN**

Dr. Aumea Herman is a public health physician, epidemiologist and general practitioner and held the position of Secretary for Te Marae Ora Cook Islands Ministry of Health from April 2018 to December 2020. During her tenure she has helped lead health reforms in the Cook Islands and the national health response to COVID-19, and contributed to Pacific health policy in the region including efforts to improve surgical, obstetrics and anaesthesia services.



**DR. BIKASH
DEVKOTA**

Dr. Bikash Devkota is a trained pediatric surgeon and has 23 years of work experience in the government system. He started a job as a medical officer and worked in rural hospitals and later worked as the consultant and medical superintendent in the different hospitals of the country. He is currently working as the Division Chief in the Quality Standard and Regulation Division in the Ministry of Health and Population, Nepal, with the major responsibility of developing standards and guidelines for all level health facilities and for the monitoring, overseeing, and regulating of the quality of healthcare delivery to ensure that every citizen gets standard care from all health institutions within the country. Besides this, he works as a focal point for the Department of Drug Administration and National Public Health Laboratory within the Ministry.

SESSION 2: FINANCING FOR SURGICAL, OBSTETRIC, ANAESTHESIA, AND TRAUMA CARE

March 4th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT

- (15 minutes) **Framing Talks By:**
 - Dr. Jim Kim (Vice Chairman & Partner, Global Infrastructure Partners)
 - Dr. Blake Alkire (Harvard PGSSC)
 - Dr. Rifat Atun (Professor of Global Health Systems, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health)
- (1 hour) **Panelists:**
 - Dr. Peter Cowley (WPRO)
 - Dr. Ammar Abdo Ahmed (IDB)
 - Dr. Do Hyeong Kim (KOICA)
 - Dr. Tanaka Go (JICA)
 - Dr. Stephanie Williams (DFAT)
 - Ms. Peggy Tse (IFC)
 - Dr. Monique Wubbenhorst (former USAID)
 - Dr. Anil Shrestha (Nick Simons Institute)
 - Mr. Shanthakumar Bannirchelvam (Global Impact Partners)
- (40 minutes) **Open Discussion**
 - Questions from Participants & Audience



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DR. JIM YONG
KIM

Jim Yong Kim (@JimYongKim), M.D., Ph.D., is Vice Chairman and Partner at Global Infrastructure Partners, a fund that invests in infrastructure projects across several sectors around the world. From July 2012 to February 2019, Kim served as the 12th President of the World Bank Group. Soon after he assumed that position, the organization established two goals to guide its work: to end extreme poverty by 2030; and to boost shared prosperity, focusing on the bottom 40 percent of the population in developing countries. During Kim's tenure, the World Bank Group supported the development priorities of countries at levels never seen outside of a financial crisis. Along with partners, the World Bank achieved two successive, record replenishments of the institution's fund for the poorest countries. The World Bank Group also launched several innovative financial instruments, including facilities to address infrastructure needs, prevent pandemics, and help the millions of people forcibly displaced from their homes by climate shocks, conflict, and violence. A physician and anthropologist, Kim's career has revolved around health, education, and improving the lives of the poor. Before joining the World Bank Group, he served as the President of Dartmouth College and held professorships at Harvard Medical School and the Harvard School of Public Health. From 2003 to 2005, Kim served as Director of the World Health Organization's HIV/AIDS department. He led WHO's "3 by 5" initiative, the first-ever global goal for AIDS treatment, which greatly expanded access to antiretroviral medication in developing countries. In 1987, Kim co-founded Partners In Health, a non-profit medical organization that now works in poor communities on four continents. Kim received a MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship, was recognized as one of America's "25 Best Leaders" by U.S. News & World Report, and was named one of TIME magazine's "100 Most Influential People in the World."

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**DR. BLAKE
ALKIRE**

Dr. Blake Alkire is Head and Neck surgeon at Massachusetts Eye Ear, Fellowship Director of the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change, and Assistant Professor at Harvard. Over the past 12 years, his research has focused on developing models to assess the economic costs and benefits of surgical interventions in low and middle-income countries. He has contributed research to the Lancet Commission on Global Surgery, the Lancet Commission on High-Quality Health Systems, and Disease Control Priorities 3rd Edition. More recently, he co-founded a global otolaryngology research initiative with more than 150 members representing 35 countries (globalohns.org/). Dr. Alkire received his M.D. from Harvard Medical School and an M.P.H. with a concentration in global health from the Harvard School of Public Health.



**DR. RIFAT
ATUN**

Dr. Rifat Atun is Professor of Global Health Systems at Harvard University and the Faculty Chair of the Harvard Ministerial Leadership Program. Previously he has served as a member of the Executive Management Team of the Global Fund as the Director of Strategy, Performance and Evaluation and was a Professor of International Health Management at Imperial College London. He is a visiting professor at University of Kyoto, Japan. Professor Atun's research focuses on health system transformation, and innovation in health systems. Prof Atun has advised more than 30 governments on health policy and health system reform, and has worked with the World Bank, WHO and other leading organizations such as Medtronic, Merck, Novartis and Hoffmann-La Roche. In 2020, he served as a senior advisor to the G20 Presidency. Professor Atun studied medicine at University of London as a Commonwealth Scholar. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, the Faculty of Public Health, and the Royal College of General Practitioners

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**DR. KIKI
MAOATE**

Dr. Kiki Maoate is one of New Zealand's leading Paediatric Surgeons and Paediatric Urologists based at Christchurch Hospital. Kiki is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and a Director of the College's Pacific Programs. He is also member of the Pacific Islands Surgeons Association. Kiki holds the position of Associate Dean Pacific Health, University of Otago, based in Christchurch. He is a well-respected leader in the Cook Island community and Pacific health sector in New Zealand and the region. Kiki was awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2014 for his dedication and commitment to Pacific Health in New Zealand and the region, and is recognized for his long standing commitment to developing, supporting, and mentoring the many Pacific surgeons both in training and qualified in the region.



**DR. LUBNA
SAMAD**

Dr. Lubna Samad is based at the Indus Health Network (IHN) in Karachi, Pakistan. In addition to her work as a pediatric surgeon, she is committed to improving patient outcomes with a specific focus on LMICs. Her experience in public sector hospitals in Pakistan has informed her understanding of the individual, social and institutional barriers that result in poor access to, and provision of, quality surgical care. As Director of the Center on Essential Surgical & Acute Care (CESAC) at IHN's Global Health Directorate, she leads a team working to improve surgical care delivery platforms and patient outcomes, including helping develop Pakistan's National Vision for Surgical Care.

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**DR. PETER
COWLEY**

Dr. Peter Cowley is the Coordinator for Health Policy and Service Design unit at the WHO Western Pacific Regional Office. He has worked for the World Bank and Pan-American Health Organization (Barbados) where he was a senior health systems advisor specializing on cost-effectiveness, public finance and insurance-based issues. Whilst working in Uganda, Cambodia and Georgia, he led numerous USAID, ADB and Global Fund funded projects focusing on the private sector, e-health, HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis. He has authored numerous publications and book chapters on health finance topics. He was also the chief designer of the essential health package work for the World Bank 1993 WDR - Investing in Health publication.



**MS. PEGGY
TSE**

Peggy is an Upstream Officer at the International Finance Corporation (IFC) of World Bank Group. Her deal sheet includes landmark deals for IFC in Asia, such as the first circular economy investment in China and the first project under COVID-19 Real Sector Emergency Fund Facility in Asia. She invests in the real economy including advanced manufacturing, food and agribusiness, health and education sectors across Asia. Beyond IFC, Peggy is the Chief Strategy Officer of Good City Foundation. She leads with influence and launches transformative projects such as URBUNX, the first Africa urban tech startup accelerator. She also advises on grassroots public private partnership (PPP), digitization of urban planning and urban development financing for cities in the Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Sri Lanka and more. Prior to IFC, she was an equity and equity derivative specialist at Goldman Sachs. Peggy was awarded as a Global Shaper of the World Economic Forum.

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**DR. AMMAR
ABDO AHMED**

Dr. Ammar Abdo Ahmed is a Senior Global Health Specialist at the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB). His duty includes IsDB health's policy and strategy, designing and appraising cross-regional health programmes and providing expertise in alternative health financing, partnership for health, disease control and prevention, maternal new born and child health to IsDB Regional Hubs and Member Countries. Dr Ammar Abdo Ahmed is also GAVI and Global Financing Facility focal point for IsDB. His areas of expertise include training, research and development for health. Between 2014 and mid-2018, he has also managed a health portfolio amounting to US\$ 300 million as Project Team Leader for Health in Cameroon, Niger, Sudan, Tunisia and Western African Health Organisation. Before joining IsDB in 2014, Dr Ammar was the Regional Director of the Medicine Preventive Agency (AMP). In this role, he funded and ran the LAMIVAC, an international reference laboratory for vaccinology research and training.



**DR. DO HYEONG
KIM**

Dohyeong Kim is a Ph.D. in Health Administration and currently serving as a health specialist at Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). She has been working for establishing health strategy, planning and monitoring of health projects of KOICA. Her interests include public health, health promotion, improving health accessibility and health system strengthening.

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**PROF. TANAKA
GO**

Executive Technical Advisor at Human Development Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency

Dr. Tanaka Go is designated as a Visiting Professor at Graduate School of Medicine, Hiroshima University and Osaka University. He completed his clinical fellowship at Okinawa Chubu Hospital from 1998. He joined the Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare in 2001 and has experienced various fields such as HIV/AIDS, food safety, mental health, and perinatal & emergency medicine. He was also appointed as Director of Public Health Division at Gifu Prefecture, and Director General of Health & Welfare Bureau at Hiroshima Prefecture. Previously he joined WPRO as Partnership in Technical Cooperation from 2014 and Coordination Office on Emerging Infectious Diseases at GoJ Cabinet Secretariat as Councilor.



**DR. STEPHANIE
WILLIAMS**

Dr. Stephanie Williams was appointed as Australia's Ambassador for Regional Health Security in March 2020. As Ambassador, she supports the advancement of Australia's interests in the Indo-Pacific by fostering linkages between Australia's world-class public health and medical research experts and partners in the region. In addition, she guides the implementation of the \$300 million Health Security Initiative for the Indo-Pacific region. Dr. Williams is a Public Health Physician and Epidemiologist who has been DFAT's Principal Health Specialist since 2017. Prior to joining DFAT, She was a Medical Adviser in the Office of Health Protection in the Australian Government Department of Health. Her previous roles include: Public Health Registrar for Victoria's Chief Health Officer; Epidemiologist in Global Health Security for the World Health Organization (WHO); and a medical doctor for Medicines Sans Frontières and the WHO. Dr. Williams holds a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery from Monash University, a Master of Public Health and Tropical Medicine from James Cook University, and a Master of Applied Epidemiology from ANU. She is a Fellow of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine and a Visiting Fellow at the National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health at ANU. Dr. Williams is currently serving on the Board of The Global Fund as an Alternate Member.

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**MR. SHANTHAKUMAR
BANNIRCHELVAM**

Shanthakumar is passionate about developing scalable solutions to our global challenges including health, climate change, and urban development. Shanthakumar is the Managing Partner of Global Impact Partners, an Impact Investment Advisory firm dedicated to serving people and the planet. GIP advises on Institutional Impact Investment in Infrastructure and Real Assets, Healthcare, Renewable Energy Sustainable Supply Chains and Technology globally. He has also previously worked in corporate law in Sydney and London with Herbert Smith Freehills, the United Nations Economic and Social Council in New York and served as an Infantry Officer in the Singapore Armed Forces. Shanthakumar is admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of NSW and holds a Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Economics from the University of Sydney and is currently an MBA Candidate at Columbia Business School.



**DR. MONIQUE
WUBBENHORST**

Dr. Monique Chireau Wubbenhorst, MD, MPH, FACOG, FAHA, has been, up until recently, the Senior Advisor in Global Health at USAID in Washington DC. She received her MD from Brown University, her MPH from Harvard University, and did her residency in OB/GYN at Yale-New Haven Hospital, and her postdoctoral fellowship in health services research at UNC-Chapel Hill. She is a fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Heart Association. Dr. Chireau Wubbenhorst has been involved in patient care, teaching, research, and policy work in inner city locales, rural North Carolina, and Native American reservations in the US, as well as in Kazakhstan, Ghana, South Sudan, the Philippines, Nepal, Cameroon, India and South Sudan.



**DR. ANIL
SHRESTHA**

Dr. Anil Shrestha has been working as the Executive Director at Nick Simons Institute(NSI) since 2016. NSI is a not for profit organization founded in 2006 by Jim and Marilyn Simons in memory of their son Nick. Its mission is to innovate solutions in rural healthcare through training and hospital support in collaboration with the government of Nepal. In 1998, he founded the Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital with the help of more over 135 Rotary Clubs around the world. It has transitioned from a 17 bedded to a 100 bedded self- sustaining orthopaedic hospital. In 2002, he was instrumental in starting Spinal Injury Rehabilitation Centre which is the only comprehensive rehab centre for spinal injuries in Nepal.



SESSION 3: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS IN SUPPORTING SURGICAL CARE

March 18th - 2:00 - 4:00am GMT

- **(15 minutes) Framing Talks by:**
 - Dr. Paul Farmer (Founder, Partners in Health)
 - Dr. Muhammad Pate (Director, Global Financing Facility)
 - TBC (Clinical Services and Systems Integrated Health Services WHO)
 - Dr. Berlin Kafoa (Team Leader - Clinical Services Program, Pacific Community (SPC))
 - Dr. Annette Holian (Councillor and Chair of Global Health, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons)
- **(20 minutes) Video Presentations:**
 - Dr. Geoff Ibbotson (UNITAR)
 - Dr. Wayne Morriss (World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists)
 - Prof. Sergelen Orgoi (Mongolian WHO CC)
 - Dr. Nobhojit Roy (Mumbai WHO CC)
 - Mr. Ashish Kohli (Johnson & Johnson)
 - Dr. William May (Fiji National University)
 - Dr. Michael McGlynn (Interplast)
 - Prof. Tahmina Banu (Global Initiative for Children's Surgery)
 - Prof. Annie Cheung (Lancet Commission on Diagnostics)
 - Dr. Richard Henker (American Association of Nurse Anesthetists)
- **(40 minutes) Discussion**
 - Questions from Participants



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FRAMING TALKS



**DR. PAUL
FARMER**

Paul Farmer, MD, PhD, is Kolokotronis University Professor and Chair of the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School, Chief of the Division of Global Health Equity at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, and co-founder and Chief Strategist of Partners In Health. Dr. Farmer and his colleagues have pioneered novel, community-based treatment strategies that demonstrate the delivery of high-quality health care in resource-poor settings. He has written extensively on health, human rights, and the consequences of social inequality, and he is a member of the National Academy of Medicine and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. His most recent book is *Fevers, Feuds, and Diamonds: Ebola and the Ravages of History*.



**DR. BERLIN
KAFOA**

Dr. Berlin Kafoa is the Team Leader for the Clinical Services Program (CSP) at the Public Health Division of the Pacific Community. His role is to provide leadership, management and technical oversight of the CSP which includes effective international, regional and/or sub-regional collaborations and coordination of clinical services.



**DR. ANNETTE
HOLIAN**

Dr. Annette Holian is a consultant Orthopaedic and Trauma surgeon at Monash Children's Hospital and a Councillor at Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, holds the RACS Global Health portfolio and is President elect of the Australian Orthopaedic Association. Her career in orthopaedics has been through Paediatrics, trauma, work in low and middle-income countries, military surgery and disaster response both as a civilian, with AUSMAT and the military. Her focus has always been directed towards education and capacity building to improve access to high quality surgery for those in need, whether they be children or adults with disabilities, remote communities, victims of trauma or disaster, or people caught up in conflict.

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WATTERS**

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**DR. ADRIAN
GELB**

Adrian W. Gelb is Professor (emeritus) in the Department of Anesthesia & Perioperative Care, University of California San Francisco (UCSF) and previous vice chair. He is currently the President of the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiology (WFSA), an umbrella organization for 150 national anesthesia societies. After training in Cape Town and working in rural South Africa, he immigrated to Canada where he was the Chair of Anesthesia at the University Western Ontario. He has held leadership roles in multiple Anesthesia Societies and also the G4Alliance. His Global Health interests include National Surgical Obstetric & Anesthesia Planning (NSOAP), Outcome Metrics, and Patient Safety, and works with a number of WHO groups. He is the author of >350 publications and has given > 300 invited lectures.

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**DR. MUHAMMAD
ALI PATE**

Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate is the Global Director, Health, Nutrition and Population (HNP) Global Practice of the World Bank and the Director of Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents (GFF), based in Washington DC. Dr. Pate was until recently the Chief Executive Officer of Big Win Philanthropy, based in the UK, and prior to that held several senior positions, including that of Minister of State for Health in the Federal Republic of Nigeria. He was previously in the World Bank Group where he joined as a Young Professional in 2000 and worked on health issues in several regions including Africa and the East Asia and Pacific.

Dr. Pate is an MD trained in both Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases, with an MBA from Duke University. Prior to this he studied at the University College London. He also has a Masters in Health System Management from the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, UK.



**DR. GEOFFREY
IBBOTSON**

Dr. Geoff Ibbotson is a general surgeon with special focus in trauma and global surgery. He presently serves as the Executive Lead of the Global Surgery Foundation and the Senior Health Consultant at the United Nations Institute of Training and Research in Geneva, Switzerland.

He has more than 25 years of experience in medical humanitarian and disaster relief work. He has served as a front-line surgeon in multiple countries and conflict zones, and also has led disaster response activities, developed strategic programmes and guided organizational and governance reviews and re-structuring.

Through his work on the front-lines of surgery in low-income countries, he has developed a strong passion for global surgery and is committed to working on solutions for ensuring that the poorest and most marginalized have access to surgical care.

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DR. WAYNE MORRISS

Dr. Wayne Morriss is a practising anaesthesiologist at Christchurch Hospital in Christchurch, New Zealand. He trained in New Zealand and Australia and worked in Fiji for two years before settling in Christchurch. Dr. Morriss is the current President Elect of World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists and a member of the WFSA Board and Council. He served as Chair of the Education Committee from 2012-2016 and Director of Programmes from 2016-2020. Dr. Morriss is a co-author of the WFSA Global Anaesthesia Workforce Survey and the WHO-WFSA International Standards for a Safe Practice of Anaesthesia. He has also been closely involved with the development and dissemination of a range of educational programmes, including Essential Pain Management, Primary Trauma Care, Safer Anaesthesia From Education (SAFE), and the WFSA Fellowship Programme.



DR. SERGELEN ORGOI

Dr. Sergelen Orgoi is a senior Consultant surgeon at the First Central Hospital of Mongolia and a Senior consultant professor at the Department of Surgery, Mongolian National University of Medical Sciences. She is the head of the WHO Collaborating Center for Emergency and Essential Surgical care, and a Team leader of the Liver Transplantation team of Mongolia. She also holds the position of Vice President of the Mongolian Surgical Association. Her areas of expertise include general surgery, global surgery and liver transplantation. Her research has focused on developing laparoscopic surgery and benefit of surgical interventions in low and middle-income countries. She holds a Doctor in Medical Science degree

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**DR. WILLIAM
MAY**

Dr. William May has been the Dean of Fiji National University's College of Medicine Nursing & Health Sciences since 2016 and is a Registered Specialist Physician in Fiji. In 2007-2008 he worked as a Senior Cardiology Fellow at the Christchurch Public Hospital in New Zealand. He is a Consultant Physician by background, a member of the Medical Deans Australia & New Zealand, and member of the Fiji Medical & Dental Councils. He is also a Member of the Board of Management of the Fiji Medical and Dental Council and a Board Member of the Western Pacific Association of Medical Educators (WPAME). His recent publications are around medical education and training, and mental health. He is also a member of the Internal Medicine Society of Australia and New Zealand (IMSANZ).



**DR. MICHAEL
MCGLYNN**

Michael McGlynn OAM MBBS FRACS is a Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon (PRS) and Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS). He is President of Interplast Australia & New Zealand (interplast.org.au), a not-for-profit organisation working to improve the quality of life for people who are disabled as a result of congenital or acquired conditions & Interplast volunteer surgeon since 1985 & Interplast Program Director for the Philippines and Myanmar. He has been a Councillor of the Australian Society of Plastic Surgeons, President of the NSW Chapter of Plastic Surgeons, Supervisor of Training in PRS, Chair of the Board of Training in PRS of the RACS. He has been Head of Plastic Surgery and Clinical Director at Sydney Children's Hospital (SCH), Randwick, Clinical Director of two large NSW public health services (SESAHS & SESLHD) and Chair of the NSW Surgical Services Taskforce. Awards include Order of Australia Medal 2007, Australian Society of Plastic Surgery Medal, RACS International Medal 2016.

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PROF. TAHMINA BANU:

Professor Tahmina Banu, Director of Chittagong Research Institute for Children Surgery, is one of the pioneer pediatric surgeons in Bangladesh who established child surgery in the southern part of the country. She has been working to promote accessible, safe and affordable surgical care throughout her career e.g she initiated Outreach Program in 2008 to bring surgical services to rural children and conducts “Low Cost Collaborative Surgery Project” for underprivileged children. She is a board member of Global Initiative for Children’s Surgery [GICS], an overseas faculty for Global Surgery Course at Oxford University. She believes surgical care is equivalent to social justice.



MR. ASHISH KOHLI

Ashish Kohli leads the EndoMechanical Platform for Asia Pacific and part of Global Platform Leadership Team. Ashish was previously the Vice President of Ethicon Surgical Businesses of Johnson & Johnson Medical India & South Asia and led the Supply Chain vertical for Medical Devices. He is a leader with over 18 years of work experience with more than 16 years in the healthcare industry. He has been driving adoption of Medical devices and technology in surgical treatments for superior patient outcomes with focus on Oncology, Cardiovascular, Gyn & Bariatric Surgery. Ashish is passionate on superior training facilitation of Health Care Professionals; he believes training is the key to deliver sustainable patient outcomes; his leadership and work around disease prevention and procedure adoption has been recognized by OSSI India, IFSO Asia Pacific, and IHPBA for his significant contribution towards access and awareness in South Asian Markets. Ashish’s focus in this field has resulted in publications including Burden of Diabesity in India (presented at Fourth Conference of IHEPA, India in 2014) and Economic Evidence for Surgery for Obesity (presented at ISPOR Boston, USA in 2016). Ashish has also played a leadership role in shaping the inclusion of Bariatric Surgery in several government and private Health Insurance Schemes. Ashish is an engineer from IIT Delhi and his MBA is from the Indian School of Business.

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**PROF. ANNIE
CHEUNG**

Professor Cheung is Laurence L T Hou Professorship in Anatomical Molecular Pathology and Clinical Professor, The University of Hong Kong. She is Director of the HKU Cervical Cytology Laboratory and the University Pathology Laboratory (Molecular Pathology), as well as the Chief of Service of Pathology, HKU-Shenzhen Hospital. Professor Cheung has served as Commissioner, Lancet Commission on Diagnostics and Director, Standing Member, Editorial Board of 5th Edition WHO Classification of Tumours, International Collaboration on Cancer Reporting (ICCR) Board of Directors, President of The Hong Kong College of Pathologists and Hong Kong Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology as well as Council Member of the International Federation for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy and International Society of Gynaecological Pathologists. Professor Cheung's research focuses on tumours of the female genital tract aiming at investigating diagnostic and prognostic markers as well as molecular targets for better therapy. Professor Cheung has received awards on education and research.



**DR. NOBHOJIT
ROY**

Nobhojit Roy (MD, MPH, PhD) trained as a General and Trauma surgeon in India and the U.K. He holds a MPH from John Hopkins University, USA, and a PhD from the Karolinska Institutet, Sweden on Injury epidemiology, trauma registries and health systems in resource-poor settings. He was Professor and Chief of Surgery at BARC Hospital, HBNI University (Govt of India) providing universal health care to 100,000 people in suburban Mumbai. His department is the designated WHO Collaborating centre for research in Surgical care delivery in the LMICs (SEARO region), which focuses on accessibility, burden of disease, preventable deaths and outcomes of NCDs. Thereafter, he was the National Advisor, Public Health Planning and Evidence at the think-tank of the Indian Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), the National Health systems Resource centre (NHSRC). Currently, he is the Director of Health Systems Strengthening team at CARE-India, which is the Technical support and resource unit to the Health department of the state of Bihar with a population of 110 million. He has been one of the Lancet commissioners for Global Surgery (2013-2015) and for NCD and Injuries for the poorest billion (2015-2020).

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