

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Po-Huang Lee, Taiwan

(President, 2009 - 2011)

Professor Lee graduated from the National Taiwan University (NTU), College of Medicine in 1974, and the Medical Science Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine, NTU in 1986. He received his surgical residency training in the National Taiwan University Hospital (1975-1979) and fellowship training in liver transplantation in the University of Pittsburgh (1986-1987). Professor Lee is a Professor of Surgery and former Chairman of Department of Surgery, School of Medicine, National Taiwan University. He currently serves as President of the Taiwan Surgical Association and the Asian Surgical Association. Professor Lee was past President of the Taiwan Transplantation Society and Vice President of the International Society for Digestive Surgery. His major research interests are transplantation immunology, liver regeneration, and surgical oncology in liver surgery. He has more than 300 publications related to kidney and liver transplantation and liver surgery for hepatocellular carcinoma.



the Philippine College of Surgeons in 2009 and is currently a member of Board of Directors of the College. Professor Erasmo is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Philippine College of Surgeons, Philippine Society of General Surgeons, Philippine Academy for Head and neck Surgery, and a member of the Surgical Oncology Society of Philippines.

Stephen Sixto Siguan, Philippines

(Council Member, 2009 – 2011)

Professor Siguan is a Professor of Surgery at the Cebu Institute of Medicine, Cebu City, Cebu, Philippines. He has been a Regent of the Philippine College of Surgeons for 9 years and currently serves as its President. He heads the Surgical Oncology & Breast Centre of the Department of General Surgery, Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Centre. He also serves as the Program Director of the Surgical Oncology Clinical Fellowship Training Program of the same institution.



Dr. Siguan graduated as Doctor of Medicine from the University of the East Ramon Magsaysay Memorial Medical Centre College of Medicine in 1980. He went on to train as a general surgeon at the University of the Philippines-Philippine General Hospital (1983-1987).

He is a member of the Philippine Medical Association, Philippine Society of General Surgeons, American College of Surgeons, and American Society of Breast Surgeons.

Alex A. Erasmo, Philippines

(Council Member, 2009 – 2011)

Professor Erasmo is Professor of Surgery and Chief, Section of Hepatic Pancreatic and Biliary Surgery in Department of Surgery, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines. He served as President of



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Hong Kong Surgical Forum - Winter 2011**Date** : Saturday, 22 January 2011**Venue** : Underground Lecture Theatre
New Clinical Building
Queen Mary Hospital
Pokfulam, Hong Kong**Enquiry** : Forum Secretary
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Pokfulam, Hong Kong**Tel** : (852) 2255 4885 / (852) 2255 4886**Fax** : (852) 2819 3416**Email** : hksf@hku.hk**Web site** : <http://www.hku.hk/surgery>**Hong Kong Surgical Forum - Summer 2011****Date** : Saturday, 16 July 2011**Venue** : Underground Lecture Theatre
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18TH ASIAN CONGRESS OF SURGERY PHILIPPINES



On behalf of the Philippine College of Surgeons, I take pleasure in inviting you to join us during the 18th Biennial Congress of the Asian Surgical Association and the 37th Mid-year Convention of the Philippine College of Surgeons (PCS) on 12 to 14 May, 2011 in Cebu City, Philippines.

Cebu City is an island which is an hour away by plane in the south of Manila. It has many tourists' attractions and destinations which make the city one of the favourite tourists' destinations in the Philippines and in Asia. Beautiful beach resorts, scuba diving destinations, historical places, and shopping centres are in abundance. Cebu City is easily accessible because many airlines offer direct flights to the city from most major cities in Asia.

The theme of the congress "Surgery in Asia Amidst Global Challenges" will highlight the important development in the practice of surgery in the region in spite of the global economic crises. Speakers within the region will present their experience in managing common surgical conditions. The GB Ong, Law Lui, and the RACS Foundation lectures will be the highlights of the scientific meeting. The Organising Committee will develop a scientific program that will ensure participation of different countries in the region. Symposium and panel discussion will be the main format of the scientific sessions.

The Organising Committee will likewise ensure that the social program will be special and memorable to the delegates. Arrangements will be made with local tour agencies for trips to neighbouring tourists destinations. For additional information about the congress, you may visit the website at <http://www.acs2011.org>

So come and join us from 12 to 14 May, 2011 in the beautiful Cebu City, Philippines for the 18th Asian Congress of Surgery and the 37th PCS Mid-year Convention.

Sincerely,

Prof. Alex A. Erasmo

Congress President

18th Asian Congress of Surgery

**Abstract
Submission Deadline:
31 December 2010**

More information available at "www.acs2011.org"

17TH ASIAN CONGRESS OF SURGERY

Taipei International Convention Centre, Taiwan

The 17th Asian Congress of Surgery was held in conjunction with the 68th Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Surgical Association in Taipei International Convention Centre, Taiwan on 20 - 22 March 2009. Professor Po-Huang Lee was the Congress President. The joint Meeting attracted about 5,000 participants from more than 19 countries and regions.

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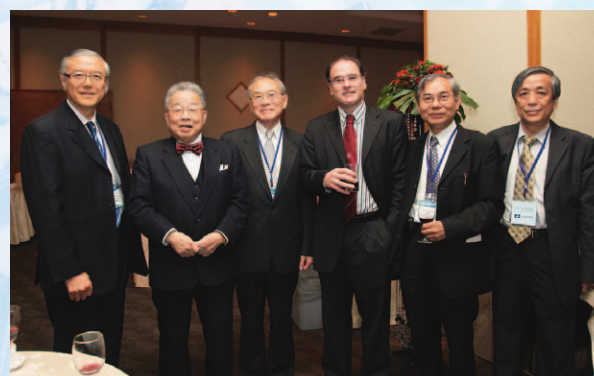
The Scientific Program covered a broad variety of topics like breast surgery, endocrine surgery, hepatobiliary and pancreatic surgery, liver transplantation, paediatric surgery, trauma, upper gastrointestinal surgery, urology, vascular surgery, and minimally invasive surgery. There were 96 sessions with 5 named lectures, 5 plenary lectures, 28 symposia, 3 instructional lectures, and 55 free paper sessions. A total of 808 free papers were accepted for presentation at the Congress, among which 324 and 484 were oral and poster presentations, respectively.



The Officers and Council of the Asian Surgical Association



Conferment of Honorary Membership was held at the Opening Ceremony.



A joyful gathering at the Welcome Reception - Professors William Wei, Shun-Jen Shih, John Wong, Alan-Perrier Clavien, Po-Huang Lee and Tsann-Long Hwang (from left to right)

NAMED LECTURES

GB Ong Lecture

Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma: From Bench to Bedside

Miin-Fu Chen, Taiwan

Law-Lui Lecture

Quality Assessment in Surgery

Pierre-Alain Clavien, Switzerland

RACS Foundation Lecture

Surgical Education in the Asia-Pacific Region

Ian Gough, Australia

A Welcome Reception was hosted for the invited faculty, the Past Presidents, and other distinguished guests on Friday, 20 March 2009. It was a relaxing and enjoyable evening with various Taiwanese snacks and delicacies being served.

The Opening Ceremony was held on Saturday, 21 March 2009. The 3 Named Lecture Orators, Professors Miin-Fu Chen, Pierre-Alain Clavien, and Ian Gough were conferred Honorary Memberships of the Association. The citations were read by Professor Kent-Man Chu, Secretary General of ASA. The GB Ong Lecture, Law-Lui Lecture, and RACS Foundation Lecture were delivered after the Opening Ceremony.

Asian Surgical Association.



Professor Po-Huang Lee presented the ASA flag to Professor Alex Erasmo, Congress President of the 18th Asian Congress of Surgery.



Professor Kent-Man Chu, Secretary General, presented the President's Medallion to Professor Po-Huang Lee, incoming President.

A lively lion dance performance to mark the beginning of the Congress Banquets.



A energetic and entertaining folk song and dance performance during the Congress Banquet.

In the evening of 21 March 2009, a Congress Dinner was held in the Grand Ballroom of Grand Hyatt Taipei. Mr. Paiwan Parangalan, Father of Taiwanese Folk Songs, gave a breathtaking performance that mesmerized the audience. The young Folk Songs troupe further added warmth to the atmosphere of the dinner. Dinner guests happily joined the folk dance and sang along which made a perfect ending to the Congress Dinner. The official proceedings at the dinner included handing over of the ASA flag to Professor Alex Erasmo, President of the 18th Asian Congress of Surgery in Cebu, Philippines, and handover of the President Medallion to incoming President Professor Po-Huang Lee.

The 17th Asian Congress of Surgery was a memorable and valuable event and we are looking forward to the 18th Asian Congress of Surgery in Cebu!