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It is addressed to all interested in orthopaedic surgery, particularly those who work in areas of the world with great need, and very limited resource

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HOPE YOU ENJOY THE NEW FORMAT AND WEBSITE

Dear friends,

This newsletter has a lot of exciting and informative news from WOC. After the gradual ebbing of the Covid pandemic, we are happy to report that WOC has gradually returned to pre-pandemic levels of activity. Let me enumerate them sequentially:

1. Conduction of the first-ever election in WOC
2. Election of new office bearers of WOC
3. Participation of WOC in the WAIOT conference in Cairo, Egypt
4. Participation of WOC in the SICOT annual conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
5. Plan to shift headquarters of WOC to USA from Brussels, Belgium
6. News from the Indian chapter of the WOC
7. News of upcoming events of WOC
8. Call for TKS medal nominations. Last date July 15th, 2023

WOC INTERNATIONAL ELECTION CONDUCTION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS

WOC international conducted its first ever election for international office bearers. The entire process was online. Dr Alaa Ahmad, the President of WOC was the election officer.

Three representatives from every country chapter and members of the EC were allowed to vote.

The following have been elected for the period 2023-25:

Dr Arindam Banerjee (India) – President-Elect

Dr Ibrahim Abuomira (Egypt) – Secretary General Elect

Dr Satish Goyal (India) – Treasurer-Elect

2ND WAIOT CONGRESS 2022 – CAIRO, EGYPT

WOC was represented in person during WAIOT, Cairo by the Secretary-General Dr Arindam Banerjee. He delivered 2 talks and presided over the WOC-WAIOT session. He also delivered a talk on behalf of Dr DK Taneja, Past President of WOC. Dr Alaa Ahmad, President of WOC, was unable to attend at the last minute and delivered a virtual talk via Zoom.

Dr Md Fadel, the President of the Egypt chapter of WOC, was one of the chief organisers of the meeting. Dr Ibrahim Abuomira who is part of the Egypt chapter and currently Secretary General Elect also gave a talk.



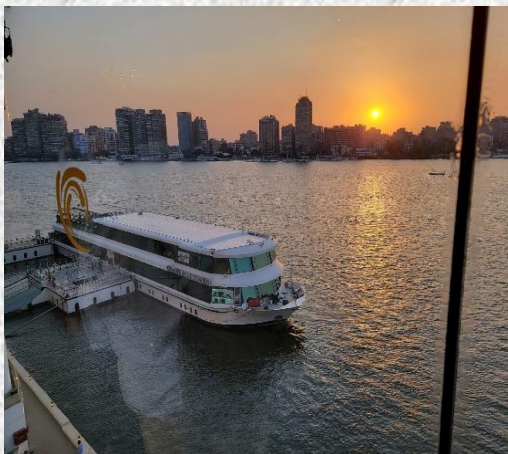
Dr Md Fadel, Chairman of the WAIOT



Dr Arindam Banerjee, representing WOC at WAIOT



President of WOC giving a virtual talk during WAIOT



Various Activities in the WOC session of the WAIOT

42ND SICOT ORTHOPAEDIC WORLD CONGRESS

WOC SYMPOSIUM

WOC was represented in the SICOT annual conference at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia by Dr Arindam Banerjee who is also an examiner of the SICOT Diploma as well as the Chair of The Education Committee.

The WOC-SICOT session was extremely successful even though scheduled at a very early hour. The President of SICOT also spoke at the conference. Incidentally, WOC is the humanitarian arm of SICOT.

The results of the election for WOC were announced by Dr Ashok Johari, President of SICOT.

Among the notable speakers and attendees were:

Dr Ashok Johari

Dr Arindam Banerjee

Dr Mohammad Fadel

Dr Kiran Agarwal Harding

Dr Mannon Pigolet

Dr Satish Goyal

Dr Ibrahim Abuomira

Dr Ujjwal Debnath



Prof Ashok Johari, President SICOT declaring the results of the WOC election



Dr Mannon Pigolet from Belgium giving her talk



Drs Ashok Johari, Arindam Banerjee and Md Fadel moderating the session



Dr Arindam Banerjee giving the Secretary- Generals report to the Congress



Dr Ujjwal Debnath discussing his projects in Kolkata, India



Dr Kiran Agarwal-Harding discusses his experiences in Africa



Dr Alberto Grigori accepting the TKS medal on behalf of absent recipients



SICOT evenings-after the academics are done!

SHIFTING OF WOC HQ TO USA

The HQ of WOC has been in Brussels, Belgium for a very long time. The organisation has traditionally been led by its European members who found Brussels to be a convenient point for its registered office. However, with the passage of time, the membership and leadership of WOC has broadened to include members from around the world. The medium of official work in Brussels is French with which current committee members are not familiar. Another problem is the rules for running an NGO have become quite rigid.

With this view, WOC in consultation with senior members of SICOT have decided to explore a more convenient place to have a HQ. USA has the simplest rules for setting up an NGO and it has been decided to shift the HQ there in a phased manner. We will keep you posted on further developments.

Since then, the USA centre has been set up. The closure of the Brussels centre is currently being processed. An American Bank account has been opened with the Bank of America. Further details will be circulated in the following newsletter.

OFFICIAL REGISTRATION OF THE INDIAN CHAPTER OF THE WOC

The Indian chapter of the WOC has been officially registered in Kolkata, India under the name of Empathetic Orthopaedic Concern. It has opened its bank account with Axis bank, India. Details will be given in the next newsletter.

Recent WOC programs- reports will be circulated in the next newsletter



**24th OPERATION THEATRE TECHNIQUE
REORIENTATION COURSE**
25th - 26th March 2023
Venue - MGM Superspeciality Hospital, Indore, M.P.

- Learn the Basics !!!
- Get Yourself Retrained !!!
- Listen To Expert Surgeons
from all Specialities !!!



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16th OSS 'OPERATION STRAIGHT SPINE'

MISSION

SPINE DEFORMITY SURGICAL WORKSHOP, 3rd – 8th April 2023

&

3rd KOLKATA SPINE DEFORMITY CONFERENCE

8th April 2023 (10AM-4PM)

Venue : Convention Centre, Jagannath Gupta Institute of Medical Sciences
Budge Budge, Kolkata



Registration
Spinal Fellows: Rs 10000 (130\$)
Doctors/Surgeons – Rs 2000 (30\$)
Nurses/Physio/Paramedics- Rs 500 (10\$)

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Ms Joanne Sillprandi, Spinal Nurse Practitioner, UK

Dr Sharif A Jonayed, Spine Surgeon, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Dr Rajesh Choudhury, Spine Surgeon, Nepal

Dr Hao-Hua Wu, Spine Fellow, San Francisco, USA

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Dr Saumyajit Basu, President Elect, ASSI, Kolkata

Dr Raghav D Muluktaia, Past President, ASSI, Hyderabad

Dr K Apaaji Krishnan, Spine & Scoliosis Surgeon, Chennai

Prof (Dr) Bhavuk Garg, AIIMS, New Delhi

Dr Ankur Nanda, Spine Surgeon, ISIC, New Delhi

Dr Mantu Jain, Spine Surgeon, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar

Dr Tarun Chabra, Spine Surgeon, Haryana



P. G. INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE

In the month of February 2023 under the auspices of WOC & OREF – India P. G. Instructional Course for the Orthopaedic Trainees was held at Indore. 100 P. G. students attended the course & 14 National level faculty participated in the 4-day course. Besides dialectic lectures, the main emphasis was on clinical cases & practical demonstrations. The course was greatly appreciated. The course director was Dr. D. K. Taneja, Past President of IOA & WOC – Int.

Dr. Arindam Banerjee, current Secretary General and President-elect, attended this conference physically as faculty, on behalf of the WOC.

Prof. Md Fadel, President of the Egypt Chapter of the WOC, gave an online lecture.

Further details with pictures will be added in the next newsletter.

O. T. TECHNICIAN REORIENTATION COURSE

In the month of March 2023, the O. T. Technician Reorientation course was held under the auspices of WOC – Int., OREF – India & Buti Foundation. 95 OT Technicians from Indore & surrounding districts participated in the course. In this 2-day course, all aspects related to OT Techniques & latest advances were taught. The Pre & Post Course test was undertaken & the best Participants were awarded. The Chief Guest of the course was Dr. Hariom HOD Department of Orthopaedics, Rajendra Medical College, Patiala. Dr. S. K. Lunawat was Chief Guest at the Valedictory function. The course director was Dr. D. K. Taneja, Past President IOA & WOC – Int.

CALL FOR TKS MEDAL NOMINATIONS

Dear all,

As you may be aware “TKS Gold Medal” was started in 2015. First recipient was Dr. D. K. Taneja, India. This medal is given every year to one person who has made a significant contribution in LMIC. The search is made globally. Since 2015, eight eminent Orthopaedic Surgeons from different parts of the World have received this medal.

The nomination are invited for 2023 award. While nominating please send a write-up of not more than 500 words, listing his contribution & enclose his brief bio data. Member can themselves also nominate. The last day to receive the application is 15th July. Selected Member will be intimated by 15th Aug. The Medal will be given in SICOT meeting in Cairo this year

Please send the mentioned with photographs to:

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World Orthopaedic Concern.

The Following Newsletter will contain details on SICOT, Cairo.

THANK YOU!