

DEAR COLLEAGUES,

Greetings from the Congress President of AsAEs 2023

It is my great honor to host the 18th Biennial Scientific Meeting of the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons in Tokyo on 16 – 18 March 2023. The meeting will be an excellent opportunity for all participants to reconnect, network, and share the latest updates in our relevant clinical practice and research after the long time battle and endurance of the COVID-19 pandemic.



I express my sincere gratitude to all members of the Scientific and Organizing Committees for their support on the way to the success of the Congress.

I also want to acknowledge and thank all the following sponsors that enable me to prepare the exciting Congress: Tokyo Convention & Visitors Bureau, Eli Lilly Japan K.K., Nikkiso Co., Ltd., TSUMURA & Co., PDRadiopharma Inc., Eisai Co., Ltd., ASKA Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., TERUMO LIFE SCIENCE FOUNDATION, and The Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association of Japan.

The program has an exciting line-up of invited lectures, cutting-edge symposia, and workshops across organs in endocrine surgery by renowned experts, in addition to over 120 free papers, including 19 abstracts applying for the Yoshihide Fujimoto Prize. Each presentation will inspire the audience with its relevance to Clinical Endocrinology, which Professor Fujimoto believed the AsAES was needed.

I cordially ask all the participants to keep the rules, especially wearing masks and using hand sanitizer, to prevent COVID-19 infection, although the pandemic seems to calm down in Tokyo at the time of writing this preface.

I look forward to meeting you at the Congress and hope you will revive real friendships with international colleagues through face-to-face exchanges. I also hope you will enjoy Tokyo's metropolitan area, where you will find some historical heritages inspiring Japanese culture.

Sincerely yours,

Takahiro Okamoto

Congress President

18th Congress of the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons

DEAR COLLEAGUES,

Greetings from the Chairman of the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AsAES)



The 18th Congress of the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AsAES) 2023 is a significant event for endocrine surgeons to gain insights into the latest advances in the field. The meeting will allow participants to explore the latest trends in endocrine surgery, discover new ideas through workshops and lectures from leading experts, and acquire wisdom from the world's top endocrine surgeons. Additionally, this Congress will be a great platform to discuss global health disparities and brainstorm innovative solutions, particularly in endocrine surgery, to assist in rebuilding a resilient health system worldwide following the COVID-19 pandemic.

As Chairman of the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons, I would like to invite all participants to take advantage of this platform and the opportunity to connect with the fraternity to foster global collaborations in clinical practice, research and innovations that will enhance the field of endocrine surgery.

Since its establishment in 1986, AsAES has continued to grow and be at the forefront of Asia's leading surgical societies. Our membership has reached over 200 from various countries consisting of endocrine surgeons, trainees and medical personnel. As the world begins to recover from the pandemic, we hope more new members will join us in the future.

I extend my sincere thanks to all members of the secretariat for their hard work and support towards the success of the Congress.

We look forward to seeing you all in March 2023, either virtually or face to face in Tokyo, and discovering the latest advances in endocrine surgery, from diagnosis to treatment, as well as research and innovations.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah
Chairman of the AsAES