

Greetings from President of ASCI

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Dear Colleagues,

I am honored and truly grateful to you for your trust. As President of the ASCI, I assure you that in the 2 years to come I shall do my best to serve the ASCI.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation and gratitude to my predecessor Dr. John Hoe for his great leadership, service and dedication during his presidency. In this exciting era of cardiovascular imaging that we are living today, the role of the ASCI as the sole dedicated cardiovascular imaging society in Asia has been unique. Since it was founded 9 years ago, the ASCI has provided opportunities for education of Asian doctors and scientific communication among researchers and clinicians.

Now, the ASCI gladly faces the challenge of meeting the future needs of Asia Pacific countries for the coming 10 years. To do so, the scientific and educational content of our annual congresses should always strive to stay relevant and maintain an exceptional level of quality through collaboration between the ASCI headquarters and local organizing committee members.

I will encourage colleagues of supporting companies to open their eyes and minds to see the bright and dynamic future of cardiovascular imaging in Asia Pacific countries with their huge potential in terms of population, economy and culture.

We are seeing how advances in cardiovascular imaging have helped to transform medical practice. We can contribute to further developing patient-centered care through such innovations in cardiovascular imaging as low-radiation cardiac CT and hand-held echocardiography.

Radiologists, cardiologists, nuclear physicians, physicists and technologists should come together under the ASCI umbrella for collaboration. The ASCI will continue partnering with societies of other specialties and imaging equipment manufacturers worldwide. In this light, we will publish our scientific results in our journal, launch multi-center clinical trials, set the standard in cardiovascular imaging practices in Asia Pacific countries and promote academic activities in developing countries.

Dear colleagues, I hope for your continued support in the ASCI. With your firm backing, we will succeed in advancing the ASCI's goals and building a solid and strong society that will play a leading role in the field of cardiovascular imaging.

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