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Date: 4 December 2025

## ORGANISING CHAIR, APSIC 2026

### MALAYSIAN SOCIETY OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE & CHEMOTHERAPY

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Pre-Clinical Building,  
Pusat Perubatan Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia,  
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**(ATTN: PROF SASHEELA PONNAMPALAVANAR)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

### HRD CORP CLAIMABLE FOR REGISTERED EMPLOYERS UNDER KUMPULAN WANG PEMBANGUNAN SUMBER MANUSIA (KWPSM)

The above subject refers.

2. We are pleased to inform you that Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad (PSMB) has agreed with your request for training conducted as below to be **CLAIMABLE**.

Program Name : **12<sup>th</sup> International Congress of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC 2026)**  
Date : **30<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2026**  
Location : **Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre**

3. Therefore, registered employers under Kumpulan Wang Pembangunan Sumber Manusia (KWPSM) can apply training grant through the e-TRiS system by selecting '**Non-Registered Training Provider Details – Association**' under the Skim Bantuan Latihan (SBL) and attach this letter as one of the supporting documents. The approval of the training grant is subject to the conditions set by PSMB.

4. PSMB also gives permission to you to use the **HRD CORP CLAIMABLE** logo for promotional purposes. Approval starts from the date of this letter until **AUGUST 2, 2026**. Enclosed with this letter is the logo link (<https://hrdcorp.gov.my/usage-of-hrd-corp-logo/>) for your reference.

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5. Should you need further information, please contact the Training Market Department through email: [vmdsupport@hrdcorp.gov.my](mailto:vmdsupport@hrdcorp.gov.my).

Thank You.

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Yours Faithfully,



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**(ELAIYARAJ A/L RETNAM)**  
Training Market Department  
Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad

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30TH JULY - 2ND AUGUST 2026

KUALA LUMPUR CONVENTION CENTRE, MALAYSIA

1 December 2025

Wisma HRD Corp,  
Jalan Beringin, Bukit Damansara,  
50490 Kuala Lumpur, Federal  
Territory of Kuala Lumpur.

Attention to: Mr. Elaiyaraj A/L Retnam

**Subject: One-off Application to Conduct Training SBL Scheme for APSIC 2026**

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the organising committee of **12th International Congress of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC 2026)**, we wish to apply for the HRDCorp Claimable Scheme for our upcoming conference, organised by **Malaysian Society of Infectious Disease & Chemotherapy (MSIDC) and Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC)**, in collaboration with Malaysian Society of Infection Control and Infectious Diseases (MyICID), The Infusion Nurses Society (INS), Infection Prevention & Control (IPC), Infection Control Association Malaysia (ICAM), Persatuan Kawalan Infeksi dan Antimikrobial Kota Kinabalu Sabah (PKIAKKS), and is supported by the Ministry of Health Malaysia and Malaysia Convention & Exhibition Bureau (MyCEB)

We are thrilled to host APSIC 2026 in Malaysia for the second time, welcoming the infection prevention and control community to the vibrant city of Kuala Lumpur happening from from 30<sup>th</sup> July to 02<sup>nd</sup> August 2026 at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia. The theme "Innovation, Collaboration, and Resilience in IPC: Adapting to a Rapidly Evolving World", reflects the dynamic and ever-changing landscape of our field. The challenges we face are increasingly complex, yet, with each challenge comes an opportunity to innovate, to collaborate more effectively, and to build resilience within our systems. Our theme for APSIC 2026 reflects our commitment to these principles and underscores the need to adapt swiftly and effectively in a world that is constantly evolving.

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For more information please visit APSIC 2026 official website: <https://www.apsic2026.my/>

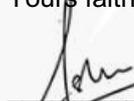
Kindly find attached the following documents for your perusal.

1. First Announcement with Programme Agenda
2. Speaker Profile
3. Promotional Flyer
4. Registrar of Societies (ROS)

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact our conference secretariat at [info@apsic2026.my](mailto:info@apsic2026.my) or +60 11-1115 8268 (Daryl Loh)

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

  
Prof. Sasheela Ponnampalavanar  
Organising Chair  
APSIC 2026, Malaysia

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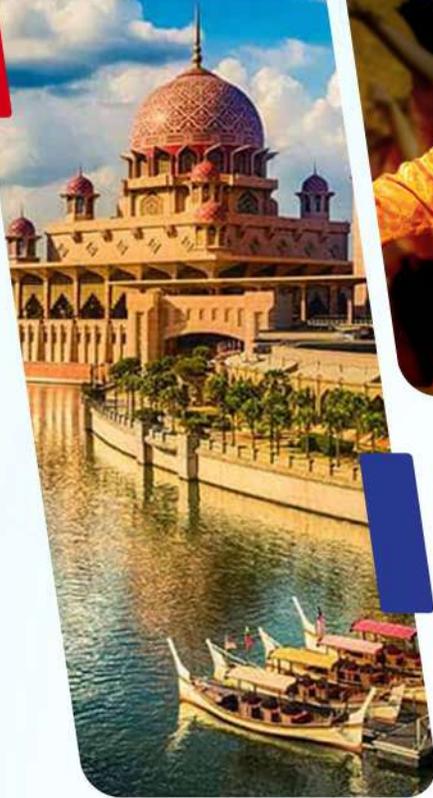


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ASIA PACIFIC SOCIETY OF INFECTION CONTROL

**30 JULY - 02 AUGUST 2026**

**Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia**

# FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



**Prof Sasheela Ponnampalavanar**  
Organising Chair  
APSIC 2026, Malaysia



**Dr Yasmin Ghani**  
Scientific Chair  
APSIC 2026, Malaysia

## WELCOME ADDRESS

Dear Esteemed Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Organising Committee, it is our great honour and pleasure to extend our heartfelt invitation to the 12th International Congress of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC 2026), with the theme "Innovation, Collaboration and Resilience in IPC: Adapting to a Rapidly Evolving World". The congress is scheduled to take place in the capital city of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, from July 30th - August 2nd 2026.

This congress is organised by the Malaysian Society of Infectious Disease & Chemotherapy (MSIDC) & Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC), in collaboration with Malaysian Society of Infection Control and Infectious Diseases (MyICID), The Infusion Nurses Society (INS), Infection Prevention & Control (IPC), Infection Control Association Malaysia (ICAM), Persatuan Kawalan Infeksi dan Antimikrobia Kota Kinabalu Sabah (PKIAKKS), and is supported by the Ministry of Health Malaysia and Malaysia Convention & Exhibition Bureau (MyCEB).

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We have an exciting and comprehensive program in store for you which includes interactive Pre-Congress Workshops, 'Meet the Expert' Sessions, Scientific Symposia, Plenary Talks, and a distinguished line-up of faculty

members from around the world. You will also have the chance to present your research and innovations to a global audience and network with peers from around the world. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to explore the exhibition hall featuring the newest technologies and solutions in infection prevention.

Beyond the congress, Malaysia, with its rich history, cultural diversity, and warm hospitality, provides the perfect backdrop for this prestigious event. Kuala Lumpur, our bustling capital, is a city that harmoniously blends tradition with modernity, offering a plethora of experiences, from stunning architecture and delicious cuisine to vibrant arts and cultural scenes.

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Your presence and participation will be pivotal in making APSIC 2026 a memorable and impactful congress. So, mark your calendars, spread the word and start planning your trip in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2026. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing an enriching and inspiring congress with you all in our beautiful country.

Warm Regards,

**Prof Sasheela Ponnampalavanar**  
Organising Chair  
APSIC 2026, Malaysia

**Dr Yasmin Ghani**  
Scientific Chair  
APSIC 2026, Malaysia



# REGISTRATION

Pre-Congress  
**30<sup>TH</sup> JUL 2026**

Main Congress  
**31<sup>ST</sup> JUL - 2<sup>ND</sup> AUG 2026**

## Pre-Congress Workshop

Category	Fees
Pre-congress Workshop 1	USD 150
Pre-congress Workshop 2	USD 150
Pre-congress Workshop 3	USD 150

## Main Congress

Category	Early Bird (1 APR 2025 - 31 MAY 2026)	Regular/Onsite (1 JUN 2026 - 2 AUG 2026)
International Delegate (Doctor & Nurse)	USD 500	USD 550
Low Middle Income Country (LMIC)	USD 400	USD 450
Malaysian	RM 1,300	RM 1,500
Accompanying Person	USD 120	USD 150

# CALL FOR ABSTRACT

Abstract  
Submission Opens  
**1 MAY 2025**

Abstract  
Submission Deadline  
**1 MARCH 2026**

Abstract  
Acceptance Notification  
**2 MAY 2026**



# PROGRAMME DAY

Main Congress (Day 1)

08:00 - 08:30	Opening Plenary Lecture 1		
08:30 - 09:00	Opening Remarks		
09:00 - 09:15	Award Presentation		
09:15 - 09:45	Plenary Lecture 2		
09:45 - 10:15	Morning Tea Session & Poster Viewing		
10:15 - 11:25	Symposium 1: Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI) Surveillance Innovations & Data Management	Symposium 2: Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) Emerging Technological / Innovations in Infection Control	Symposium 3: Global Health & Building Resilience in Health Care System
11:25 - 11:55	Plenary Lecture 3		
11:55 - 12:55	Lunch Symposium		
13:00 - 14:30	Symposium 4: Prevention of Hospital Onset Bloodstream Infections (BSI)	Symposium 5: Sterilization and disinfection	Symposium 6: Multidrug resistant Organism
14:30 - 15:10	Tea Break & Poster Viewing		
15:10 - 16:40	Symposium 7: Outbreak situation	Symposium 8: Hand Hygiene (HH)	Symposium 9: Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) in special settings
16:40 - 17:50	Symposium 10: Debate	Symposium 11: Prevention of hCAI - Bundle Approaches	Symposium 12: Diagnostic Stewardship

31 July 2026

Main Congress (Day 2)

08:30 - 09:15	Breakfast Symposium		
09:15 - 09:45	Plenary Lecture 4		
09:45 - 10:00	Award Presentation		
10:00 - 10:15	Tea Break		
10:15 - 11:55	Symposium 13: Implementation Science in Infection Control	Symposium 14: IPC Considerations in Building and Renovation	Symposium 15: Antibiotic Stewardship in the Region
11:55 - 12:25	Plenary Lecture 5		
12:25 - 13:15	Lunch Symposium		
13:15 - 14:30	Symposium 16: Healthcare-associated Respiratory Disease	Symposium 17: Environmental Hygiene	Symposium 18: AMS in Special Populations
14:30 - 15:00	Tea Break & Poster Viewing		
15:00 - 16:30	Symposium 19: Prevention Of Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia (VAP)	Symposium 20: Water management	Symposium 21: Free Paper / Poster Presentations
16:30 - 18:00	Symposium 22: Debate	Symposium 23: Paediatric / Neonatal IPC	Symposium 24: SSI Symposium

1 August 2026



Main Congress (Day 3)

2 August 2026

08:30 - 09:30	Breakfast Symposium		
09:30 - 10:00	Plenary Lecture 6		
10:00 - 10:45	Award Presentation		
10:45 - 11:00	Tea Break & Poster Viewing		
11:00 - 12:10	Symposium 25: Hospital Design Does Matter	Symposium 26: Emerging Outbreaks Across The Globe	Symposium 27: COVID-19 Pneumonia
12:10 - 13:20	Symposium 28: Preventing Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI)	Symposium 29: Behaviour Modification in IPC	Symposium 30: Emerging Fungal Infections
13:20 - 14:20	Lunch Symposium		
14:20 - 15:30	Symposium 31: Hallmark Papers in IPC Year 2024 - 2026	Symposium 32: Mycobacterium Symposium	Symposium 33: Oral Abstract Presentations
15:30 - 16:00	Closing and Prize-Giving Ceremony		



## Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

The Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre is a purpose-built convention and exhibition facility strategically located in the Kuala Lumpur City Centre overlooking the iconic PETRONAS Twin Towers and the 50-acre KLCC Park.

Spanning five levels, the Centre offers 22,659m<sup>2</sup> of flexible function space including 12,310m<sup>2</sup> of column-free exhibition halls including a 2,600m<sup>2</sup> standalone marquee, 3,000 capacity Plenary Hall, 500-seat Plenary Theatre, Grand Ballroom for 2,000 diners, Banquet Hall for 750, Conference Hall for 1,800, 20 meeting rooms, ancillary facilities, and the latest in wireless, 3G telecommunications and digital audiovisual services.

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The APSIC Congress 2026 promises a unique platform for you to learn from leading experts in Infection Prevention and Control (IPC).

The theme “Innovation, Collaboration, and Resilience in IPC: Adapting to a Rapidly Evolving World” emphasizes the need to strengthen core IPC principles, embrace innovation, and foster multidisciplinary collaboration and resilience in IPC.

Whether you are an academician or infection prevention professional, an educator, a healthcare administrator, a healthcare professional in a hospital or long-term care institution, a patient safety or clinical quality advocate, or a research scientist, there is something for you!

## Congress Highlights

- Pre-congress workshops designed for capacity building – learn from leading experts in the field.
- Insights on the latest regional and international guidelines for best practices.
- Thought-provoking debates on current issues and future directions in IPC.
- Interactive panel discussions.
- Opportunity to meet and network with experienced global leaders in IPC.
- Present your research and innovations to a global audience, receive feedback, and connect with peers.
- Exhibition of the latest technologies and solutions.
- Travel and educational grants awarded.



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**Name:** Prof Andrea Kwa

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Deputy Director (Research & Innovation), Pharmacy, Singapore General Hospital

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Andrea Kwa, a distinguished pharmacist clinician -scientist and innovator, has had a remarkable journey fuelled by her curiosity. She excels in translational science, where she conducts evidence-based research and translate discoveries into practical applications, ensuring top-tier patient care. She specialised in critical care medicine, infectious diseases, and antimicrobial resistance research, specifically in in-vitro wet bench translational (phage therapy, antibiotics combination testing), population PKPD studies, molecular diagnostics in anti-fungal and antibacterial resistance, epidemiology/outcomes studies and health services research (specifically AI/ML for AMR management) to guide antimicrobial stewardship. To date, she has authored more than 140 publications.

Source: <https://www.singhealthdukenus.com.sg/conference/sdc2025/our-speakers/Andrea-Kwa>



**Name:** Dr Anjanna Kukreja

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Medical Lecturer, Department of Medicine

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr. Anjanna Kukreja is an Infectious Diseases Physician and Lecturer at Universiti Malaya, Malaysia, with specialized training in internal medicine, general infectious diseases, and antimicrobial stewardship. She is most passionate about HIV medicine, particularly as it relates to women with HIV. She spearheads the WoW+ project, short for the "Wellness of Women living with HIV Project", an initiative targeting the comprehensive health needs of WLWH, from mental health to metabolic wellness. Her ultimate goal is to launch a Women's Wellness Clinic tailored for this group. Driven by a fervor for education, Dr. Anjanna teaches and mentors both undergraduate and postgraduate students. She was instrumental in the development of antimicrobial stewardship modules for an e-learning platform, fusing academic excellence with innovative teaching methods. Over the years, she has held pivotal organizational roles in various workshops, antibiotic awareness, and World AIDS Day programs.

Dr. Anjanna is also a member of international organizations such as the Royal College of Physicians, Ireland, and the International Aids Society. Nationally, she holds the position of committee member of the Malaysian Society of Infection Control & Infectious Diseases (MyICID), underscoring her dedication to infectious diseases in Malaysia. Her academic accolades include publications in international journals like the Journal of the Int. AIDS Society (JIAS) and presentations at events like the MyHIV Forum and IAS meetings.

Additionally, Dr. Anjanna is a distinguished CHIMERA Fellow, a capacity-building program by the Fogarty International Center and the US NIH's National Institute of Mental Health. Through the CHIMERA Fellowship, she received specialized training in qualitative research focusing on the intersection of HIV and mental health in the Asia-Pacific region. She is also a Cooper HIV/AIDS Research Training (CHART) Fellow with the Kirby Institute UNSW, gaining expertise in quantitative research to strengthen evidence-based HIV care. Through these programs, she is dedicated to conducting meaningful research that informs policy and improves clinical outcomes for women with HIV.

Source: <https://umexpert.um.edu.my/anjanna.html>



**Name:** Prof Anucha Apisarntharak

**Country:** Thailand

**Position:** Professor and Chief of Infectious Diseases Division at Thammasat University Hospital

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Anucha Apisarntharak is current the Professor and Chief of Infectious Diseases Division and Infection Control Committee at Thammasat University Hospital. He also serves as an Adjunct Visiting Professor at Division of Infectious Diseases, Washington University School of Medicine, USA. Prof Apisarntharak's research focus included infection prevention in resource-limited setting, infection control to prevent multi-drug resistant microorganisms as well as outbreak investigations. He published more than 250 peer-review articles and more than 20 peer-review book chapters. He has been a key committee member of many national and international societies including Thai National Nosocomial Infection Group, Society of Healthcare Epidemiology of America, and Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control. Prof Apisarntharak also serves as editorial board for key infectious diseases and infection control journals including Clinical Infectious Diseases, Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology and American Journal of Infection Control.

Source: <https://apsic-apac.org/about/exco-members/>



**Name:** Prof Dr Azlina Daud

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Associate Professor, IIUM Kuantan Campus

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Dr Azlina Daud obtained her Diploma in Nursing from the Ministry of Health Nursing College in 1994. Upon completion of her diploma, she started her career as a nurse at Hospital University Science Malaysia. After seven years of working at general medical ward, she pursued her Bsc Health Sciences (Nursing) at University Sains Malaysia in 2001.

In 2006, she joined IIUM as an Assistant Lecturer and later furthered her studies in Msc Advanced Nursing at Nottingham University, UK in 2007 and Ph.D at Griffith University, Queensland, Australia in 2009. Upon completion of her Ph.D, she returned to Malaysia in September 2013.

Presently, she is a lecturer at the Department of Medical Surgical Nursing and holds the administrative position as Deputy Dean (Postgraduate and Research) since November 2013 until December 2018. A fellow of Mahallah Fatimah Az-Zahra from January 2019 until December 2020. Currently she is holding a post of Deputy Dean, Centre for Postgraduate Studies from August 2021 until present. As for research, her area of interests are intravascular management, infection control, obesity, randomised control trial and systematic review.

Source: <https://www.iium.edu.my/directory/show/STFSbThUVjlycks2ZnMvSEhYdkxvQT09>



**Name:** Prof Dr Claire Rickard

**Country:** Australia

**Position:** Professor of Nursing & Health Services Research, The University of Queensland & Metro North Health, Australia

**Speaker's Bio:**

Prof Dr Claire Rickard is an NHMRC Leadership 2 Fellow and esteemed nurse researcher. She has completed over 50 randomised controlled trials and focuses on preventing healthcare associated infections and other complications for people with central, peripheral, venous and arterial catheters. As a Registered Nurse, she specialized in acute and critical care, and then coordinated pharmaceutical and investigator-initiated ICU research at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital. Her PhD (QUT, 2004) studied the impact of the duration of intravascular administration set use on bloodstream infection. Rickard has consistently won funding from the Australian National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) and Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) since 2008. She is committed to mentoring and developing opportunities for nursing clinician researchers, with many going on to prestigious careers and externally funded fellowships. Her international projects include the largest ever vascular access study - The One Million Global peripheral intravenous catheter Study (OMG Study). Rickard established the Alliance for Vascular Access Teaching and Research (AVATAR) in 2007 as a mentoring network which has evolved into a mature multi-institutional investigator network of >100 nursing and medical clinicians, scientists, consumers, statisticians and health economists who undertake large randomized controlled trials and related work in partnership with hospitals in Australia and overseas. AVATAR also has a significant educational focus, with workshops, a Masters level course and a focus on PhD and postdoctoral researcher development. Professor Rickard's awards include induction into the Sigma Theta Tau International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame in 2013, and election to the prestigious Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences in 2015. She has >300 publications in leading journals such as The Lancet.

Source: <https://nmsw.uq.edu.au/profile/3860/claire-rickard>



**Name:** Prof David Weber

**Country:** United States

**Position:** Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics and Epidemiology, University of North Carolina (UNC)

**Speaker's Bio:**

Prof David Weber is currently the Charles Addison and Elizabeth Ann Sanders Distinguished Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics and Epidemiology, UNC Medical Center, Chapel Hill, NC, United States. Dr. Weber received his Medical Degree from the University of California, San Diego in 1977, a Master's in Public Health from Harvard University in 1985, and completed his medicine residency and infectious disease fellowship at the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1985. He is Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Infectious Disease, Critical Care Medicine, and Preventive Medicine. Prof Weber serves as an Associate Chief Medical Officer, Associate Chief Quality Officer and Medical Director of Infection Prevention for the UNC Medical Center, USA. He is the President Elect of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America and the Deputy Editor of Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology. He is an Associate Editor of the journal Vaccine. Prof Weber has published more than 575 scientific papers in the peer-reviewed literature cited in PubMed and more than 700 total papers and chapters. He is a member of the CDC Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) and on the following working group: National Health Surveillance Network (Chair), Dental Water Lines (Chair), and Occupational Health for Healthcare personnel. Prof Weber is an Expert Advisor for Clean Hospitals, Geneva. He Chairs, the NC Dept. of Health, TB Advisory Committee. His research interests include the epidemiology of healthcare-associated infections, disinfection and sterilization, new and emerging infectious diseases (highly communicable pathogens including SARS-CoV-2, HPAI, newly emerging pathogens including Candida auris), response to biotreats, nontuberculous mycobacteria, control of drug resistant pathogens, immunisation practices, zoonotic diseases, and epidemiology of tuberculosis.

Source: <https://globalhealth.unc.edu/people/david-weber/>



**Name:** Dr Doo Ryeon Chung

**Country:** Korea

**Position:** Professor of Infectious Diseases at Samsung Medical Center

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr. Doo Ryeon Chung is a leading infectious diseases specialist with over 25 years of experience, particularly in antimicrobial resistance, antimicrobial stewardship, and infection control. He is a professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases at Samsung Medical Center and has played a crucial role in developing computerized antibiotic prescription programs that have significantly improved antimicrobial stewardship. His expertise is evidenced by over 300 papers published in prestigious journals.

After earning his M.D. from Seoul National University and Ph.D. in Microbiology, he completed post-graduate training, including a clinical fellowship in Infectious Diseases at Asan Medical Center and a research fellowship at Harvard Medical School. His career has been marked by leadership in nationwide infection control efforts, and he currently oversees the Korean National Healthcare-associated Infection Surveillance System (KONIS).

Beyond clinical practice, Dr. Chung has been a key advisor on public health policy, guiding the Korean CDC and WHO on critical issues. He leads the Asian Network for Surveillance of Resistant Pathogens (ANSORP), contributing to understanding and addressing antimicrobial resistance in the Asia-Pacific region. As Secretary General of the Asia Pacific Foundation for Infectious Diseases (APFID), he managed antibiotic stewardship campaigns and played a crucial role in developing APEC guidelines to tackle antimicrobial resistance. In 2024, he co-chaired the 14th International Symposium on Antimicrobial Agents and Resistance (ISAAR).

Since 2018, Dr. Chung has been an active council member of ISID, contributing to its Publication and Education Committee. His recent appointment as a council member and Exco member of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APUSIC) further cements his leadership and influence on the global stage.

Source: <https://apsic-apac.org/about/exco-members/>



**Name:** Dr Ermira Tartari Bonnici

**Country:** Malta

**Position:** Senior Lecturer, Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Malta

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Ermira Tartari Bonnici is a Lecturer at the Department of Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Malta. She graduated with a B.Sc. in Nursing (Hons.) an M.Sc. in Health Services Management from the University of Malta, and PhD in Global Health from University of Geneva, Switzerland.

Dr Ermira Tartari Bonnici teaches in the area of infection prevention and control, healthcare-associated infections and patient safety to undergraduate nursing students, to qualified healthcare professionals in an online bachelor's degree programme, and to students on the Masters programmes within the Faculty of Health Sciences. She supervises dissertations at undergraduate and post-graduate level.

She has been involved in international projects on prevention and control of healthcare associated infections. She was appointed international coordinator within the Department of Nursing in 2021.

Dr Ermira Tartari Bonnici is an editorial board member for the Antimicrobial Resistance and Infection Control Journal and a peer reviewer for various academic journals in her field of work.

Source: <https://www.um.edu.mt/profile/ermira-tartaribonnici>



**Name:** Ms Glenys Harrington

**Country:** Australia

**Position:** Infection Control Consultant

### Speaker's Bio:

Ms Glenys is an experienced Infection Control Consultant with an extensive background in managing and developing healthcare organization infection control programs in developed and developing countries. Glenys has post graduate qualifications in Critical Care, Midwifery and Infectious Diseases. She has published widely and has a specific interest in improving patient safety through introducing quality improvement initiatives to reduce health care associated infection.

Ms Glenys started her Infection Control career with the Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology Unit at Alfred Health, Melbourne, Australia. Alfred Health provides services for tertiary referral acute, rehabilitation, long-term care, community health and state wide programs for burns, heart and heart lung transplantation and trauma. Between 2000 and 2009, she held the Infection Control Program Coordinator position and in 2010 she established her own business called Infection Control Consultancy (ICC).

Ms Glenys' experience in the Asia Pacific region includes a World Health Organization (WHO) Consultancy to a SARS Outbreak Team, infection control program reviews, and tutorial attachments along with being an Honorary Advisor on the Hong Kong Infection Control Nurses Association (HKICNA) Research Review Panel. Glenys is an executive committee member of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APUSIC).

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**Name:** Prof Gonzalo Bearman

**Country:** United States

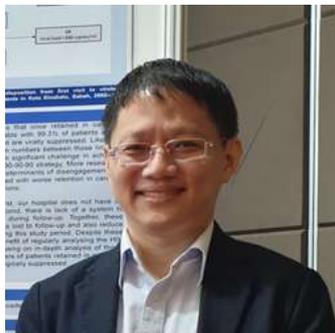
**Position:** Chief of Division of Infectious Diseases

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Gonzalo Bearman is Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Richard P. Wenzel Professor of Internal Medicine and Hospital Epidemiologist at the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System. He is a graduate of Colgate University (BA), SUNY at Buffalo School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (MD) and Columbia University (MPH). He completed a residency in Internal Medicine and was Chief Resident, both at SUNY at Buffalo. He then completed a fellowship in Infectious Diseases and a residency in Preventive Medicine/Public Health, both at Cornell University. Dr. Bearman is Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases, and General Preventive Medicine and Public Health.

His areas of research focus on the epidemiology of hospital-acquired infections. Dr. Bearman has various industry grants and has published over 100 peer-reviewed publications, multiple invited text books doctors, and is the editor of 3 medical text books.

Source: <https://intmed.vcu.edu/education/fellowship/infectious/gonzalo-bearman-md-mph-facp.html>



**Name:** Dr Lee Heng Gee

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Physician, Infectious Disease Unit, Department of Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

**Speaker's Bio:**

Dr Lee Heng Gee is a specialist in infectious diseases with extensive clinical experience in the management, prevention, and treatment of a broad range of infectious conditions. Serving in the Infectious Disease Unit, Dr Lee is actively involved in patient care, antimicrobial stewardship, and the development of clinical protocols to enhance infection control practices. Dr Lee's work reflects a strong commitment to improving public health outcomes and advancing evidence-based infectious disease management.

Source: <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Heng-Lee-3>



**Name:** Dr Ker Hong Bee

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Physician and Infection Control Doctor, Hospital Raja Permaisuri Bainun, Malaysia

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Ker Hong Bee is a dedicated member of the Infectious Disease Unit, with experience supporting clinical management, infection control initiatives, and patient care coordination. Her work involves assisting in surveillance activities, facilitating communication across healthcare teams, and contributing to the smooth implementation of infectious disease protocols. She remains committed to strengthening clinical operations and supporting high-quality care within the unit.

Source: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/hong-bee-ker-36195617a/?originalSubdomain=my>



**Name:** Dr Indumathi Venkatachalam

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Senior Consultant, Medical Board, Singapore General Hospital

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Indumathi Venkatachalam graduated from the University of Sydney with MBBS, followed by specialist training in Infectious Diseases, obtaining Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians.

Her other qualifications include Master of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She also holds a Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene from the Gorgas Memorial Institute (course conducted in collaborative partnership between the University of Alabama at Birmingham and the Alexander von Humboldt Tropical Medicine Institute from the Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia).

Source: <https://www.sgh.com.sg/doctor/infectious-diseases/indumathi-venkatachalam>



**Name:** Dr Jasmine Chung

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Senior Consultant, Singapore General Hospital

**Speaker's Bio:**

Dr Jasmine Chung is a Senior Consultant with the Department of Infectious Diseases at the Singapore General Hospital.

Source: <https://www.sgh.com.sg/doctor/infectious-diseases/chung-shimin-jasmine>



**Name:** Prof Jason Trubiano

**Country:** Australia

**Position:** Director of Infectious Diseases, Austin Health | Head of Department of Infectious Diseases, University of Melbourne

### Speaker's Bio:

Professor Jason Trubiano is an Infectious Diseases Physician, Director of Infectious Diseases at Austin Health and Head of the Department of Infectious Diseases in the Melbourne Medical School. He is an NHMRC Emerging Leadership Fellow at the University of Melbourne, Department of Infectious Diseases. He is the laboratory head for the Centre for Antibiotic Allergy and Research (Austin Health) and his research explores health services programs for antibiotic allergy and novel diagnostics and pharmacogenomic predictors for severe T-cell mediated drug reactions.

Source: <https://www.doherty.edu.au/people/jason-trubiano>



**Name:** Adjunct Assistant Professor Kalisvar Marimuthu

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Head, Infection Prevention, Control and Outreach Office of NCID

### Speaker's Bio:

Adjunct Assistant Professor Kalisvar Marimuthu completed his advanced speciality training in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases in Singapore in 2010 and 2013 respectively. Subsequently, Adj Asst Prof Marimuthu trained in infection prevention and control as a Senior Research Fellow in the Infection Prevention and Control Unit of Geneva University Hospital under the guidance of Prof Stephan Harbarth and Prof Didier Pittet.

He is currently a senior consultant in Infectious Diseases at the National Centre for Infectious Diseases and Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore. He is a member of the National Infection Prevention and Control Committee (NIPC) of Singapore and is also a consultant in the technical advisory committee for the World Health Organisation (WHO)'s carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) guideline.

Adj Asst Prof Marimuthu's primary research interest is in infection prevention and control, specifically in the application of next-generation sequencing for control of multidrug-resistant Gram-negative organisms.

Source: <https://www.ncid.sg/About-NCID/NCID-Doctors/Pages/Dr-Kalisvar-Marimuthu.aspx>



**Name:** Prof. Karin Thursky

**Country:** Australia

**Position:** Associate Director of Health Services Research and Implementation Science/Infectious Diseases Physician

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Karin Thursky is an infectious diseases physician and health services researcher who has over 20 years' of experience in the fields of antimicrobial stewardship and infections in the immunocompromised host. She has successfully implemented and scaled programs to improve the quality and safety of healthcare and has a national leadership role in antimicrobial stewardship and sepsis.

Prof Karin Thursky was appointed as the inaugural Associated Director of Health Services Research and Implementation Science at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in 2020. She has established a broad framework of health services research in cancer including digital health and applied learning health systems, implementation science, embedded health economics, and novel trial designs in all areas of cancer care. She is leading the implementation stream of the National Centre for Infections in Cancer focussing on digital innovation.

Her research skillset spans a wide range of areas, including adult and paediatric infectious diseases; clinical epidemiology, clinical decision rules, diagnostic strategies, prevention and treatment of infections in the immunocompromised host; antimicrobial stewardship in animal and human health; computerised clinical decision support; immunology and biomarkers for infections; natural language processing and machine learning; allergy delabeling programs, health economics and big data analytics.

She is a passionate mentor and sponsor of emerging clinician and health services researchers and is supervising medical students, MPhil, PhDs, post docs from medical, nursing and pharmacy backgrounds.

Source: <https://www.petermac.org/staff-details/karin-thursky>



**Name:** Dr Fong Kean Khang

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Head of Intensive Care Unit, Hospital Queen Elizabeth

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Fong Kean Khang is a clinician in the Infectious Disease Unit, experienced in diagnosing and managing a wide spectrum of infectious conditions. His work includes overseeing patient care, supporting infection prevention efforts, and contributing to clinical decision-making for complex infectious disease cases. Dr Fong is committed to advancing evidence-based practices and improving patient outcomes within the field of infectious diseases.

Source: <https://www.acadmed.org.my/index.cfm?&menuid=235&parentid=233>



**Name:** Ms Lily Lang Ren Lee

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Senior Infection Control Nurse, National Healthcare Group Polyclinics, Singapore

### Speaker's Bio:

Ms Lily have been practicing Infection control since 1985. Currently overseeing Infection Control in Dental Services for 6 Dental Clinics in Dental services for six dental clinics in National Healthcare Group Polyclinics.

Cofounder and council member with Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control. With many years of working experience in healthcare and infection control, she have led in the Infection Control Program for both the Private and Restructured hospitals, ambulatory services and dental services in the primary care.

Her passion is in Infection Control and teaching. The above experience gave her many opportunities to teach and provide consultation and assessment in both local and overseas hospitals in Brunei, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia Thailand and Vietnam.

Source: <https://apsic-apac.org/about/exco-members/>



**Name:** Prof Ling Moi Lin

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Director, Infection Prevention & Epidemiology

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Ling is the Director of Infection Control at Singapore General Hospital. A clinical microbiologist by training, Prof Ling has been active in Infection Control work in Singapore and the region. She has been conducting training programs in infection control in China, South East Asia as well locally in Singapore since 1995.

She is also the Adjunct Assistant Professor at the Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School, where she contributed to the training in microbiology. Her other interests are in quality improvement and research in antimicrobial resistance.

Source: <https://www.sgh.com.sg/doctor/pathology/ling-moi-lin>



**Name:** Prof Namita Jaggi

**Country:** India

**Position:** Chairperson- Lab services and Infection control & Chief- Education & Research

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Namita is an alumnus of the prestigious MAMC (Maulana Azad Medical College) in New Delhi, India and has more than 25 years of experience in Microbiology and Infection control having excelled in her academic career with many awards and distinctions. She has been pivotal in setting up the Artemis lab, an NABL accredited lab with state of the art technology, stringent quality control and well qualified staff. Prof Namita is the chairperson for Infection Control Committee and the Infection control officer of the hospital. In her role as Chief, Education and Research, she oversees the DNB program, the paramedical training programs and Research projects in the hospital. Prof. Namita Jaggi is an Assessor for NABL, NABH (National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers), Green OT and JCI (Joint Commission International)-Lab.

Source: <https://www.artemishospitals.com/doctor/profile/namita-jaggi>



**Name:** Ms Patricia Tai Yin Ching

**Country:** Hong Kong, China

**Position:** Principal Nurse in Infection Control of WHO Collaborating Center

### Speaker's Bio:

Ms Patricia Ching is presently the Principal Nurse in Infection Control of the WHO Collaborating Center, School of Public Health, the University of Hong Kong. She has extensively pursued a wide range of post graduate qualifications including Critical Care, Midwifery, Coronary care, Infection Control and epidemiology as well as Diploma of Nursing Administration. She started the career of Infection Control Practitioner since 1985 and have comprehensive infection control experience from acute care to long term care and extending to Traditional Chinese Medicine Clinics. She published widely in infection control and nursing and is well recognised by the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing that conferred the Honorary Fellow Member in Infection Prevention and Control in May 2018. She is also the field expert in the Scientific Committee of Infection Control (SCIC) in Centre for Health Protection Hong Kong.

Ms Patricia is also a Certified Practitioner of Healthcare Quality (CPHQ), who has a specific interest in improving patient safety through introducing quality improvement initiatives to reduce health care associated infection and beyond.

Ms Patricia is the founding and faculty member of APUSIC and has been serving as EXCO member and the office since 1998.

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**Name:** Prof Paul Anantharajah Tambyah

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Professor, Department of Medicine, Yong Loo Lin Sch Of Medicine

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Paul Anantharajah Tambyah is currently Professor of Medicine at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, Senior consultant Infectious Diseases Physician and deputy director of the NUS Infectious Diseases Translational Research Program. After completing medical school at NUS and military service at the Singapore Armed Forces Medical Corps, he went on to do infectious diseases training at the University of Wisconsin with Dr Dennis Maki. After returning to Singapore more than 25 years ago, he has served in a number of national and international committees most recently as immediate past President of the International Society for Infectious Diseases and the Asia Pacific Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infection. He is also a visiting consultant to the Singapore Armed Forces and the Singapore National Center for Infectious Diseases. His main research interests are in device associated infections.

Source: [https://www.nuhs.edu.sg/patient-care/find-a-doctor/doctor-details/Paul\\_Anantharajah\\_Tambyah](https://www.nuhs.edu.sg/patient-care/find-a-doctor/doctor-details/Paul_Anantharajah_Tambyah)

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**Name:** Dr Priscilla Rupali

**Country:** India

**Position:** Senior Professor & Head, Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Priscilla Rupali is Professor and head of Dept. of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore, India. She was a Senior ID fellow in the Dept. of Adult Infectious Diseases, Auckland City Hospital and has a "Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene" from Universidad Cayetano Heredia, Lima. She runs an annual course in Clinical Tropical Medicine at CMC. Early 2000s, she joined in pioneering distance learning course educating people in HIV Medicine. She has formal training in "Transplant Infectious Diseases", Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, has established Transplant related services in her hospital and founded the Transplant Infectious Diseases Conference in Vellore, Chennai and Ludhiana. She has set up an antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) program in her hospital and plans to implement AMS at the primary, secondary and tertiary care levels, targeting clinical pharmacists and physicians working long term at secondary care hospitals. Her department pioneered promoting ID as a clinical specialty in India, and is the 2nd Department there to run the DM in Infectious Diseases.

Source: <https://www.rstmh.org/dr-priscilla-rupali>



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**Name:** Prof Sabiha Essack

**Country:** South Africa

**Position:** South African Research Chair

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Sabiha Essack is the South African Research Chair in Antibiotic Resistance and One Health and Professor in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) in Durban, South Africa. She is an independent consultant to ICARS. Using her vast experience in the field of IR, Sabiha offers valuable guidance to ICARS' country partners throughout the process of conceptualizing and implementing IR projects to mitigate AMR, while providing input to the ICARS strategy as part of the Science team. Sabiha serves as expert consultant on AMR and antimicrobial stewardship to the World Health Organization and its regional offices, as well as on several other advisory boards/groups of national and international organizations.

Source: <https://icars-global.org/team/sabiha-essack/>





**Name:** Prof Dr Sasheela Ponnampalavanar

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Internal Medicine and Infectious Disease Physician

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Dr Sasheela Sri La Sri Ponnampalavanar is an Infectious Disease Physician at Universiti Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC), where she leads the Infection Control Department with a strong focus on preventing hospital-acquired infections. Under her leadership, UMMC received the 2022 APSIC Hand Hygiene Excellence Award and the 2018 APSIC Safe Surgery Award. A 2020/2021 Fulbright scholar, she furthered her expertise at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Prof. Dr. Sasheela is also an active member of the National Antimicrobial Resistance Committee and the Technical Working Group for the National Action Plan for AMR, contributing to the development of national policies and programs on antimicrobial resistance and infection control. Outside of her professional work, she enjoys jungle expeditions, family time, and tending to her garden.

Source: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/sasheela-ponnampalavanar-3301609a/?originalSubdomain=my>



**Name:** Dr Tan Seow Yen

**Country:** Singapore

**Position:** Infectious Disease Physician

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Tan Seow Yen is a Senior Consultant with the Department of Infectious Diseases at Changi General Hospital (CGH). She obtained her Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine in 2012, and completed her Master of Public Health from the National University of Singapore (NUS) Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health in 2024.

Dr Tan is committed to providing comprehensive, patient-centred care with expertise in managing complex infections as well as antimicrobial stewardship. With extensive clinical experience, she has lead initiatives to safeguard patient safety and enhance quality of care. Passionate about education and training, Dr Tan is actively involved in mentoring healthcare professionals, fostering a collaborative environment to enhance clinical excellence and public health preparedness. She holds multiple academic appointments, including Physician Faculty for the SingHealth Infectious Diseases Residency Programme and Adjunct Assistant Professor at the NUS Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health.

Dedicated to delivering evidence-based care, Dr Tan works closely with multi-disciplinary teams to ensure the best outcomes for patients and the broader hospital community. Her contributions to medical excellence were recognised with the Gold Award at the Singapore Health Quality Service Award in 2025.

Source: <https://www.cgh.com.sg/doctor/infectious-diseases/tan-seow-yen>



**Name:** Assoc Prof Le Thi Anh Thu

**Country:** Vietnam

**Position:** Group Chief Medical Officer of Hoan My Medical Corporation

### Speaker's Bio:

Assoc Prof Le Thi Anh Thu, is Group Chief Medical Officer of Hoan My Medical Corporation. She also has a role as President of Viet Nam Infection Control Society (VNICS) and Ho chi Minh city Infection Control Society (HICS). She is consultant and expert for Ministry of Health, for Department of Health of Ho chi Minh city and is a teacher for Pham Ngoc Thach University of Medicine.

She has experiences of working as Infectious diseases specialist for 10 years and has been working as hospital epidemiologist, infection control consultant for more than 25 years. She is participating in the National Writing Committee to develop guidelines and policies in infection control for the Ministry of Health. She has been chief investigator for many important researches funded by the Vietnamese Government and WHO. Her recent researches are mainly in infection control, hospital epidemiology, risk and patient safety. She is the author of more than 75 publications and books and presented in more than 35 international conferences.

Source: <https://www.hospitalmanagementasia.com/speakers/a-prof-le-thi-anh-thu/>



**Name:** Dr Tiew Wah Tin

**Country:** Malaysia

**Position:** Paediatric Infectious Diseases Physician in Hospital Tunku Azizah, Kuala Lumpur

**Speaker's Bio:**

Paeds ID physician treating complicated bacterial/virus/fungal infections in children, HIV infected children, children with TB as well as tropical infections. Advocates for vaccinations. Actively involved in infection prevention and control and antimicrobial stewardship. Regular speakers for CME/workshops/seminar and conferences.

Source: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/wah-tin-tiew/?originalSubdomain=my>



**Name:** Prof Wing Hong Seto

**Country:** Hong Kong, China

**Position:** Director, WHO Collaborating Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control

### Speaker's Bio:

Prof Wing Hong Seto played a key role in initiating Infection Control in Hong Kong and started the local training course for Infection Control Practitioners in 1985. He is involved extensively in Infection Control education throughout China and the region and is the Founding President of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control. Besides being Honorary Professor for the University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, he is also a visiting professor for the University of New South Wales.

He was conferred honorary professorships by several universities in China including Honorary Professorship for Infection Control by the Postgraduate Military Medical College of the PLA General Hospital (301). The People's Liberation Army of China has in addition appointed him honorary consultant for Infection control in 1999. He is also the past Chairman of the Scientific Committee on Infection Control of the Centre for Health Protection of HKSAR Government.

He has authored over a hundred and fifty research papers including the book "Infection Control for the Asian Healthcare Worker". Many international societies had invited him to speak on Infection Control and they include the ICC, ICID, CDC (USA), ASM (USA), ICN (UK), Hospital Infection Society (UK), APIC (USA), SHEA (USA) and ICNA (Australia).

The WHO has also regularly assigned him as advisor for various projects in Infection Control, Antibiotics Resistance and a core group member for the WHO Hand Hygiene guideline. He is also a member of the Emergency Committee of the IHR of the WHO, member of the Infection Control International Network and Director of WHO Collaborating Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control, The University of Hong Kong.

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**Name:** Dr Yuho Horikoshi

**Country:** Japan

**Position:** Chief, Division of Infectious Diseases, Department of Pediatrics, Tokyo Metropolitan Children's Medical Center

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr Yuho Horikoshi was graduated from School of Medicine, Showa University, Japan in 2001. He was trained for Pediatrics at Okinawa Chubu Hospital, Showa University Hospital and National Center for Child Health and Development, Japan. He served at Angkor Hospital for Children in Cambodia. He was clinical fellow at Division of Infectious Diseases, The Hospital for Sick Children, University of Toronto, Canada between 2008 and 2010. He has funded Division of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo Metropolitan Children's Medical Center in 2010. He had served as division chief for 9 years for clinical care, infection prevention, antimicrobial stewardship program (ASP), microbiology, research and education. He also had provided care for underserved children in Kenya. He moved to Nigeria, World Health Organization (WHO) in 2019 for polio eradication. He was deployed to Malaysia, WHO in 2020 for vaccine-derived polio and COVID-19 responses. He moved back to the current post in 2021. His research interests are Antimicrobial Resistance, Global Health and Vaccines.

Source: [https://www.sciconf.cn/cn/person-detail/547?user\\_id=HFRjAiqnazHOJ5cPM\\_xDwLQ\\_d\\_d](https://www.sciconf.cn/cn/person-detail/547?user_id=HFRjAiqnazHOJ5cPM_xDwLQ_d_d)



**Name:** Dr Zong Zhiyong

**Country:** China

**Position:** Director, Center of Infectious Diseases, West China Hospital, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China

### Speaker's Bio:

Dr. Zong is a senior physician-scientist for infectious diseases and is the director of the infectious diseases ward in West China Hospital of Sichuan University, one of the top medical centers in China. He received medical training in China and obtained PhD from the University of Sydney, Australia. He was the International Ambassador of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America in 2011 and is an awardee of the Newton Advanced Fellowship, Royal Society, UK. He is a member of APSIC EXCO committee.

His expertise is in the management of multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) infections in critically ill or immunocompromised patients. His main research interests are the epidemiology and mechanisms of antimicrobial resistance in the Enterobacterales, the prevention and control of MDRO, and surveillance on healthcare associated infections. He has authored >200 peer-reviewed papers in Science Citation Index-indexed journals such as Lancet Microbe, Clinical Infectious Diseases, Clinical Microbiology Reviews, PLoS Medicine, Journal of Hospital Infection, and Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology.

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