

**Report of the President and the Executive Director
International Pediatric Association
2007-2010**

This report covers the years 2007-2010 following the 25th International Congress of Pediatrics in Athens, Greece August 2007.

During this triennium we have been greatly saddened by the loss of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci, one of the chief architects and leaders of the IPA over the past fifty years. Professor Dogramaci passed away on February 25th, 2010. The IPA issued the following tribute to him which includes some of the details of his vast contributions to international child health, our profession of pediatrics, and the wider worlds of academia and world affairs.

IPA Tribute to Professor Ihsan Dogramaci

We of the International Pediatric Association are much saddened by the death of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci. He was a unique and special human being. Although he could have risen to the peaks of political power in his country and his region, he chose instead to devote his life and career to the profession of Pediatrics and the causes of child health in his own country and in the world. His broad view of the importance of education to a country and all of its peoples led him to devote his energies to reforming the educational system in Turkey. His generosity and foresight inspired him to found two Universities which stand as giants, one in arts and sciences and one in medical education and training. He made significant contributions to global health with his long service to both WHO and UNICEF; he was part of their founding and remained active in their causes throughout his life. He was devoted not only to traditional issues of child health, but also to the wider societal issues which have lasting impact on the status of children, as reflected in his leadership of the International Children's Center now based in Ankara.

Professor Dogramaci was the shepherd of the International Pediatric Association for many years, always insisting on the importance of Pediatricians to the health of children and countries and the wide world. He reached out to pediatricians everywhere, and welcomed the Regional Pediatric Societies of Africa, Asia, Central Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East into the IPA family, a family that had been dominated by Europe and North America. His book on the History of the International Pediatric Association is a tribute to his devotion to our organization. He never lost faith in the power of Pediatricians to change the world for the better by tending to the needs of the children and communities that they care for.

Professor Dogramaci's vast interests in the arts, notably music, and in good fellowship and conversation made him a welcome and entertaining companion. He is probably the only University leader who established and maintained a fine symphony orchestra as an inherent participant in University activities, and he was known for the presentation of wonderful recitals in his home.

We are all much richer for having knowing Professor Dogramaci. He has left a good and lasting mark on the world. His memory will remain with us, and we will miss him. We also are richer for knowing Mrs. Ayser Dogramaci, a remarkable woman who has been very much a part of her husband's activities. We convey our kindest regards to her, and to all of the Dogramaci family.

IPA was also very much saddened at the loss of Professor Thomas Stapleton who passed away shortly after the IPA Congress in Athens 2007. Professor Stapleton was active in the International Pediatric Association, serving as Secretary Treasurer and as a member of the Executive Committee from 1965 to 1977. He was also a leader in education within the IPA, and played an important role in the organization and conduction of IPA workshops. In 1976 he spoke at an IPA workshop in Santo Domingo on issues of adolescent mothers, and at another IPA workshop in 1976, he spoke on nutrition. In 1977 he organized a workshop on manpower for child health services in developing countries, in 1983 at the 16th IPA International Congress in Manila he organized a number of sessions on social and preventative pediatrics emphasizing ambulatory and primary care.

In addition to his activities with the International Pediatric Association, Thomas Stapleton had a love for the wide world, with a particular interest in China and its surrounding countries. He was known as an educated man with wide interests, and an engaging conversationalist. All present at the IPA Alumni dinner in Athens, August 2007 were entertained by his anecdotes from the past and immensely touched by his reading of some of his favorite poems. He will be remembered with affection and gratitude by all members of the International Pediatric Association who knew him, and by his many friends in other circles.

The triennial report is divided into three sections:

- I. Governance and Administration of the International Pediatric Association (IPA)
- II. Activities of the International Pediatric Association (IPA) 2007-2010
- III. Future directions of the International Pediatric Association (IPA)

There will be ample time for discussion of this report during the scheduled meetings of the Council in Athens; prior to that time we welcome comments or questions from members.

I. Governance and Administration of the International Pediatric Association (IPA)

The Council of Delegates represents the total membership of the IPA, and is the ultimate governing body of the IPA. Members of the Council of Delegates are the Presidents of each IPA Member Society or the official society representative designated to fill this role. The Council of Delegates meets every three years at the time of the IPA International Congress of Pediatrics. The 2010 Council of Delegates under the 2004 amended IPA Constitution will have 163 Members (144 National Member Societies, 10 Regional and Linguistic Societies, and 13 International Specialty Societies).

The IPA Standing Committee acts on behalf of the Council of Delegates between Council of Delegates meetings, and guides IPA policy and action based on the wishes of the Council of Delegates. The 2007-2010 IPA Standing Committee under the provisions of the revised IPA Constitution includes 25 members, two ex-officio members, and designated guest members. According to Council of Delegates resolution 208, in 2010 the Standing Committee will add two additional representatives from the Asian Pacific Pediatric Society, noting the vast geographic area and very large number of children in this region. The total membership of the 2010 -2013 Standing Committee will thus be 27 members. The Standing Committee meets once or twice each year.

The IPA Executive Committee comprises the IPA officers and Executives (President, President-Elect, Congress President, Executive Director, Treasurer, Coordinator, and Past President ex officio) and two representatives elected from the Standing Committee to represent the Standing Committee to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee meets once or twice each year, ordinarily at the time of meetings of the Standing Committee. The role of the Executive Committee is to carry out the mandates of the Standing Committee and to act on behalf of the Standing Committee between its regular meetings. Under provisions of the IPA Constitution, the Executive Committee will have eight members plus one ex-officio member.

1.1 The Council of Delegates

The amended IPA Constitution adopted in 2004 by the Council of National Delegates (CND) at the 24th ICP extends voting rights in the Council of Delegates to all IPA Member Societies: National Member Societies, Regional Member Societies, and Specialty Member Societies. The prior term "Council of National Delegates" has been accordingly changed to "Council of Delegates" (CD). IPA now officially recognizes seven voting geographic regions (Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia-Pacific, Central Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East & North Africa, and North America). The President of the Regional Society or his officially designated representative from each of the seven IPA geographic regions represents that region on the Council of Delegates. Representatives of IPA Member Societies representing additional Regional or Linguistic groups are welcome to attend Council of Delegates meetings, but will be represented in voting by the Regional Societies most closely representing their geographic region.

Council of National Delegates Sessions at the 2007 International Congress of Pediatrics

The 2007 Council of National Delegates met in Council of National Delegates Sessions 24, 25, and 26 in

Athens, Greece.

IPA Council of Delegates Session 24 and 25, August 25th 2007

On August 25th 2007 representatives of 53 IPA Member Societies were present for Council of Delegates Session 24, barely short of a quorum. Lacking a quorum, no binding votes could be taken in Session 24. The meeting was accordingly adjourned for 1 minute under Constitutional regulations and reconvened as CD Session 25 which could be conducted with binding voting. Seven resolutions were subsequently passed (CD Resolutions 191 – 197).

CD Resolution 191: Adoption of agenda

CD Resolution 192: The IPA Council of Delegates congratulates IPA President Adenike Grange upon her appointment as Minister of Health of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

CD Resolution 193: CD Session 24 is adjourned for lack of a quorum and reconvened as CD session 25 without quorum requirements for binding voting.

CD Resolution 194: Minutes of CD Sessions 21, 22 and 23 (Cancun August 2004) were approved as written.

CD Resolution 195: Adoption of the 2004-2007 Triennial Report of the IPA President and Executive Director.

CD Resolution 196: The CD endorses the report of the IPA election committee.

Special presentations during Council of National Delegates Session 25 highlighted two issues of importance to all pediatricians:

- Executive Director Jane Schaller presented **The Basics of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)** and outlined plans for a proposed IPA MDG Program area.
- President – Elect Chok-wan Chan presented a panel on **Ethics** which included presentations on **Relations with Industry** (Chok-wan Chan), **Pediatric Research** (Ricardo Uauy), and **Gender Discrimination** (Swati Y Bhawe). These presentations were followed by lively discussion with most comments directed to the importance of Pediatric activities in addressing the MDGs. Unfortunately discussions were cut short by time restrictions to allow for the Congress Opening Ceremony. These topics were discussed further in Council of Delegates Session 26.

CD Resolution 197: Adjournment

IPA Council of National Delegates Session 26, August 29th 2007

At **Council of National Delegates Session 26 on August 29th 2007**, representatives of 95 IPA Member Societies were present with 90 validated voting delegates. Validation of voting delegates required proof of designation as the official representative of the IPA Member Society being represented. Eighty three National Pediatric Societies (seventy nine validated voting delegates), six Regional Pediatric Societies (five validated voting delegates), and six International Pediatric Specialty Societies (six validated voting delegates).

The following business transpired:

CD Resolution 198: The agenda for Council of Delegates session 26 was adopted as written.

CD Resolution 199: The minutes of CD Sessions 24 and 25 from August 25th 2007 were adopted as written.

CD Resolution 200: The Council of Delegates welcomes to active membership in the IPA National Member Societies of Niger and the Czech Republic, and International Specialty Societies, The European Society for Social Pediatrics and the International Pediatric Transplant Association.

CD Resolution 201: Sergio Cabral is elected as the IPA President Elect for the term 2007-10.

CD Resolution 202: Greg Cleghorn (Federation of International Societies for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition - FISPUGHAN), Mohamed Mikati (International Child Neurology Association - ICNA), Jei Ding (International Pediatric Nephrology Association - IPNA), Michael Krawinkel (International Society for Tropical Pediatrics - ISTP), Jose Boix Ochoa (World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons - WOFAPS) are elected as representatives of IPA Specialty Societies to the IPA Standing Committee for the term 2007-10. All candidates were thanked for standing for election, and the winners applauded.

CD Resolution 203: Union of National African Pediatric Societies and Associations representatives Peter Cooper and Yveline Houenou, Asian Pacific Pediatric Association representatives Sanath Lamabadusuriya and Naveen Thacker, Central Asia representatives Enver Hasanoglu and Ahmaddudin Maarij, Union of European Pediatric Societies and Associations representatives Armido Rubino and Eva Oláh, Asociación Latino Americana de Pediatría representatives Alberto Reveron and Fernando Dominguez, United Arab Pediatricians representatives Hussein Bahaeldin and Najwa Khuri Bulos, and North American representatives Judith Hall and William Keenan are elected as regional representatives to the IPA Standing Committee for the term 2007-2010.

CD Resolution 204: Melbourne Australia is selected as the site for the 27th IPA Congress in 2013.

CD Resolution 205: Keith Bolton of Johannesburg is elected President of the 26th IPA International Congress in 2010.

CD Resolution 206: The Council of Delegates unanimously adopts the IPA Millennium Development Goal Project for action during 2007-2010.

CD Resolution 207: The IPA Council of Delegates resolves that the IPA will adhere to the tenets and spirit of the Code on Marketing of Breast milk Substitutes and will encourage its member societies to do the same, and that future International Congresses of Pediatrics will strictly adhere to the provisions of the Code

A resolution proposed by Professor Sanath Lamabadusuriya of Sri Lanka to increase the number of Standing Committee representatives from two to four for the APPA region in view of the large area and population of the APPA region was passed unanimously, with note that implementation of this action would require a change to the IPA Constitution.

CD Resolution 208: The Council of Delegates approves increasing the number of SC representative seats of APPA from 2 to 4 beginning in 2010.

Mohamad Fari of Lebanon proposed that the IPA web site encourage a page for each member society to be included, with links to member society news when appropriate. This motion passed unanimously.

CD Resolution 209: The Council of Delegates proposes that IPA offer website coverage for each of its member societies.

The President Elect as Chair thanked all CD Delegates for their attention and good work during this Congress.

The IPA Executive Director and President Elect offered a vote of thanks to our hard working staff: Isabelle Bourzeix, Melinda Marshall, and Antonis Anastasiades, with additional thanks to Judy Alden, Ben Alden, and Alejandro Lule from the AAP staff who pitched in to help when needed.

CD Resolution 210: The Council of Delegates offers a vote of thanks to the hard working Congress staff Isabelle Bourzeix, Melinda Marshall, and Antonis Anastasiades.

CD Resolution 211: Adjournment

Council of Delegates Meetings in Johannesburg, August 2010: Session 27 and 28

The Council of Delegates will meet on Wednesday, August 4th 2010 from noon to 5:00 pm (Council of Delegates Session 27) and again on Sunday, August 8th 2010 (Council of Delegates Session 28) from noon to 6:00 pm. Lunch will be provided on both the 4th and the 8th of August for the Council of Delegates so that the Council of Delegates meetings can begin promptly at noon.

Council of Delegates: Session 27, August 4th, 2010

During the twenty seventh session of the Council of Delegates on August 5th, there will be two special discussion sessions:

- **Millennium Development Goals and the IPA MDG Project**
- **Future IPA Development and Finance**

We hope to have adequate time for discussion of these topics and of other matters brought up by Council of Delegates members. IPA is trying to accord our member societies a larger role and a better chance to be heard in the IPA. We look forward to input from the Council of Delegates on important issues relevant to our member societies and to future directions of our organization.

Council of Delegates: Session 28, August 8th, 2010

During the twenty eighth session of the Council of Delegates on August 8th, there will be elections of new IPA Member Societies, the 2010 – 2013 IPA President Elect, the 2010-2013 IPA Standing Committee Members, the host country for the 28th ICP 2016, and the President of the 27th ICP 2013.

Election of the IPA President Elect

The Executive Director has received two nominations for the position of President Elect as stipulated by the Constitutional bylaws requiring approval of the candidate's National Pediatric Society, nomination by three Member Societies, and representation of a region from which no President Elect has been elected during the two preceding three year terms. The two preceding Presidents are Chokwan Chan (Hong Kong) and Sergio Cabral (Brazil).

According to the IPA Constitution, the President-Elect Sergio Cabral, after one three year term (2007 - 2010), will assume office as President for one three year term (2010 - 2013). In the case of temporary or permanent incapacity of an IPA President, the President-Elect will serve as Acting President for the duration of any incapacity.

The following two candidates for IPA President-Elect 2010–2013 have been duly nominated:

- Andreas Konstantopoulos (Greece)
- Mohamed Cherif Rahimy (Benin)

Election of the Host Country for the 28th ICP 2016

The three candidate sites meeting IPA criteria for hosting the 28th International Congress of Pediatrics of 2016 are:

- Argentina (Buenos Aires)
- Canada (Vancouver)
- Turkey (Istanbul)

Each candidate site will present its bid at the August 8th session of the Council of Delegates (15 minutes allotted for each candidate site presentation). Each site can host an exhibition booth during the 26th Congress. Once the host country for the 28th ICP 2016 has been selected, the host country will designate its official representative to the IPA Executive Committee.

The Council of Delegates at the 27th ICP will formally elect the official President of the 27th ICP 2013, following the recommendation of the host, the Paediatrics & Child Health Division of The Royal Australasian College Of Physicians. Planning for the 27th ICP will be presented and discussed by Professor Neil Wigg, who is the nominee for the Presidency of the 27th ICP.

We note that the 26th ICP is the first International Congress of Pediatrics managed by the IPA and its professional congress organizer (Kenes International) in conjunction with the 2010 host National Pediatric Society, the South African Pediatric Society. We welcome comments and input from all of our Member Societies concerning your experiences with the organization of this 2010 Congress and your suggestions for any modifications or improvements for the future.

Election of the IPA Standing Committee 2010-2013

Revisions to the IPA constitution adopted by the Council of National Delegates in Cancun August 2004 include changes in the composition of the IPA Standing Committee. These changes represent an effort to make the IPA more responsive to its regions and its member societies. According to the revised constitution, seven IPA geographic regions are recognized: sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Central Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East & North Africa, and North America. For each of these regions, if there is a functioning regional society inclusive of the entire region, the President of that regional society will automatically be accorded a seat on the IPA Standing Committee ex-officio.

** Foot note: The 2010–2013 IPA Standing Committee will consider whether the Regional Presidential Standing Committee representation seat should change to reflect the results of Regional Presidential elections which occur between 2010 – 2013.*

These regions include sub-Saharan Africa (Union of African Pediatric Societies and Associations - UNAPSA), Asia (Asian-Pacific Pediatric Association - APPA), Central Asia (Union of National Pediatric Societies of Turkish Republics – UNIPSTR), Europe (Union of National European Pediatric Societies and Associations - UNEPSA), Latin America (Asociación Latino Americana de Pediatría - ALAPE), and the Middle East (Union of the Arab Pediatricians - UAP). Each of these regions must also nominate two or more candidates to stand for election by the CD to the second regional seat on the SC, and in the case of APPA for the second, third, and fourth regional seats on the CD).

Regional nominations put forth by the 7 IPA geographic regions have been reviewed by the IPA Standing Committee. Regional candidates with the nominating society indicated in parentheses, are:

Africa (Sub-Saharan)

- Francois Tall, Burkina Faso (Union of African Pediatric Societies and Associations - UNAPSA) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second Regional Seat are:

- Angela Okolo, Nigeria
- Fred Were, Kenya

Asia-Pacific

- Xiao Hu He, China (Asian Pacific Pediatric Association - APPA) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second, third, and fourth Regional Seats are:

- M. A. Arif, Pakistan
- Yoshikatsu Eto, Japan
- Yonghao Gui, China
- Ho Lai Yun, Singapore
- Sanath P. Lamabadusuriya, Sri Lanka
- Ping-Ing Lee, Chinese Taipei
- Naveen Thacker, India
- Usa Thisyakorn, Thailand
- Jocelyn J. Yambao-Franco, Philippines

Central Asia

- Enver Hasanoglu, Turkey (Union of National Pediatric Societies of Turkish Republics - UNIPSTR) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second Regional Seat are:

- Ahmaddudin Maarif, Afghanistan
- Sauli A. Dikanbayeva, Kazakhstan

Europe

- Andreas Konstantopoulos, Greece (Union of National European Pediatric Societies and Associations - UNEPSA) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second Regional Seat are:

- Patricia Hamilton, UK
- Jose Ramet, Belgium

Latin America

- Hernando A Villamizar, Colombo (Asociación Latino Americana de Pediatría - ALAPE) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second Regional Seat are:

- Nilsa Freyre, Puerto Rico
- Gonzalo Giamb Bruno, Uruguay

Middle East & North Africa

- Ali-El Halabi, Jordan (Union of Arab Pediatric Societies - UAPS) will hold the seat of the Regional President ex-officio.

Candidates for the second regional seat are:

- Joseph Haddad, Lebanon
- Najmeddine Rouznamaji, Iraq

North America

There being no single representative North American Regional Society, two candidates from North America have accordingly been nominated by the two Member Societies of North America:

- Gary Pekeles (Canadian Paediatric Society)

- Jay E. Berkelhamer (American Academy of Pediatrics)

International Specialty Societies

Five candidates from the IPA Specialty Member Societies will be elected to the IPA SC from a slate of candidates proposed by the five IPA Member Societies which nominated candidates for 2010 – 2013. These candidates include:

- European Society for Social Pediatrics and Child Health (ESSOP) – Giorgio Tamburlini, Italy
- International Child Neurology Association (ICNA) - Mohamad Mikati, Lebanon
- International Pediatric Academic Leaders Association (IPALA) – Peter Cooper, South Africa
- International Pediatric Nephrology Association (IPNA) – Jie Ding, China
- International Society for Tropical Pediatrics (ISTP) – Michael Krawinkel, Germany

Final Composition of the IPA SC 2010-2013

The 2010 – 2013 Standing Committee will have 27 members, plus one ex-officio member:

- 12 members, two from each of the IPA six geographic regions, excluding APPA
- 4 members representing APPA
- 5 members representing IPA specialty societies
- 5 members of the IPA Executive Committee
- The IPA Past President, ex-officio (non voting capacity)
- The guest seat representative of WOFAPS (non voting capacity)

Professor Ihsan Dogramaci was appointed Honorary President of IPA for life by the IPA Executive and Standing Committees in 1994 as a special one time appointment, and there will be no successor.

The newly elected IPA Standing Committee 2010-2013 will hold its first meeting on the afternoon of the 9th August, 2010 following the closing ceremony, and all day on the 10th August, 2010. The two members of the IPA Standing Committee who are elected to the IPA Executive Committee will be expected to attend the concluding IPA Executive Committee meeting as well.

1.2 Executive Committee 2010-2013

The membership of the IPA Executive Committee 2010-2013 will include:

- The IPA President (Sergio Cabral, Brazil)
- The IPA President-Elect (to be elected by the Council of Delegates)
- The IPA Executive Director (William Keenan, elected by the SC April 2010)
- The IPA Treasurer (Zulfiqar Bhutta, elected by the SC April 2010)
- The IPA Coordinator (Swati Y Bhave, elected by the SC April 2010)
- The President of the 26th ICP ex-officio (Neil Wigg, Australia, selected by the Australian Society)
- Two members of the 2010-2013 Standing Committee (to be elected by the 2010-2013 Standing Committee in August 2010 to represent the 2010 – 2013 Standing Committee to the 2010-2013 Executive Committee).
- Immediate IPA Past President, ex-officio non voting status (Chok-wan Chan, Hong Kong)

1.3 Standing Committee 2007-2010

The Standing Committee for the period 2004-2007 has included the following representatives of Regional Societies of the seven IPA geographic regions:

Africa

The seat of the Regional President:

- Peter Cooper (South Africa)

Elected by the Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Yveline Houenou-Agbo (Ivory Coast)

(Representing sub-Saharan Africa, UNAPSA)

Asia-Pacific

The seat of the Regional President:

- Sanath Lamabadusuriya (Sri Lanka)

Elected by the Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Naveen Thacker (India)

(Representing Asia Pacific, APPA)

Central Asia

The seat of the Regional President:

- Enver Hasanoglu (Turkey)

Elected by the Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Ahmaddudin Maarij (Afghanistan)

(Representing Central Asia, UNIPSTR)

Europe

The seat of the Regional President:

- Armido Rubino (Italy)

Elected by the Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Eva Olah (Hungary)

(Representing Europe, UNEPSA / EPA)

Latin America

The seat of the Regional President: The ALAPE Regional Presidential seat has been occupied during 2007-2010 in sequential order by: Alberto Reveron (Venezuela, 2007-8), Alejandra Jara (Chile, 2008-9), Hernando Villamizar (Columbia 2009-10)

Elected by the 2007 Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Fernando Dominguez (Cuba),
Asociación Latino Americana de Pediatría

Middle East and North Africa

The seat of the Regional President:

- Hussein Bahaeldin (Egypt)

Elected by the Council of Delegates for the second regional seat:

- Najwa Khuri-Bulos (Jordan)

(Representing Middle East, UAPS)

North America

- Judith Hall (Canada)
Canadian Pediatric Society (CPS, Canada)
- William Keenan (USA)
American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP, USA)
(Representing North America)

SC Nominations from International Pediatric Specialty Societies for six SC Seats

(only 6 Specialty Societies nominated a candidate):

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| Federation of International Societies for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition (FISPGHAN)
International Child Neurology Association (ICNA)
International Pediatric Nephrology Association (IPNA)
International Society for Tropical Pediatrics (ISTP)
World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons (WOFAPS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Geoff Cleghorn ○ Mohammad Mikati ○ Jie Ding ○ Michael Krawinkel ○ Jose Boix-Ochoa ○ Lau Yu-Lung |
| *International Pediatric Academic Leaders Association (IPALA , *non voting guest seat) | |

The overall geographic representation of the combined Executive and Standing Committees 2004-2007 has consisted of:

	Total Number	Regional Representative	Officers, Executives, or Specialty Representation
Africa	3	2	1
Asia	7	2	5
Central Asia	2	2	0
Europe	4	2	2
Latin America	3	2	1
Middle East / Mediterranean	3	2	1
North America	3	2	1
Total	25	14	11

Functions of the Standing Committee:

The Standing Committee is the major committee responsible for IPA program development, strategic planning and policy. The SC acts on behalf of the Council of National Delegates between its regularly scheduled meetings. The Standing Committee of 2007-2010 has been functional during this triennium with two meetings each year:

- SC 46 August 24th 2007 Athens, Greece
- SC 47 August 31st 2007 Athens, Greece
- SC 48 March 1st to 2nd 2008 Johannesburg, South Africa
- SC 49 October 13th to 16th 2008 Boston, Massachusetts
- SC 50 March 19th to 22nd 2009 Oxford, United Kingdom
- SC 51 October 11th to 13th 2009 Shanghai, China
- SC 52 April 10th to 11th Ankara 2010, Turkey
- SC 53 August 3rd 2010 Johannesburg, South Africa

II. Activities of the International Pediatric Association 2007-2010

Response to issues mandated by the Council of National Delegates at Sessions 24, 25, and 26 in Athens, August 2007.

1. The IPA has further developed The Millennium Development Goal Project, which will be presented and discussed at the Council of Delegates meetings in August 2010 (CD Resolution 206).
2. IPA has followed through on CD Resolution 207 concerning adherence to the Code on Marketing of Breast Milk Substitutes and has encouraged IPA Member Societies to do the same. National, regional, and international meetings have been monitored by Chair of the IPA Ethics Committee (President Chok-wan Chan) concerning adherence to provisions of the Code. IPA has produced annual statements supporting International Breastfeeding Week.

IPA Statement on Breastfeeding

World Breast Feeding Week August 2009: Support for Breast Feeding from The International Pediatric Association

Acknowledging the 2009 Breast Feeding Week, the International Pediatric Association (IPA) reinforces its commitment to promote breastfeeding by all women from all countries and socioeconomic groups, and in all circumstances including times of disaster and emergency as highlighted by the theme "Breastfeeding is a Vital Emergency Response". IPA is committed to the protection and promotion of health for all children everywhere. We address this goal by fostering best practices which enhance child health, practices based on sound scientific research and evidence based experience. IPA acknowledges that breast milk is the most critical nutritional need for all infants. Ideally breastfeeding should be "exclusive" for 6 months and continued with complementary foods as appropriate to the mother's circumstances, generally encompassing a period of 18 to 24 months. Feeding of infants by mothers infected with HIV has been an area of particular concern. When mothers in developing countries avoid breastfeeding to prevent HIV transmission to their infants, their infants are at risk for growth retardation, malnutrition, diarrhea, and death from causes other than HIV infection. Accumulating scientific evidence indicates that appropriate diagnosis and treatment of HIV infected mothers and their infants can not only preserve maternal health, but also prevent mother to infant transmission of infection in nearly all instances.

Unfortunately, promotion of breast feeding worldwide continues to be undermined by the unrestrained marketing of formula milks by their manufacturers in violation of the Code of Marketing of Breast Milk Substitutes, the international document adopted by the 1981 World Health Assembly and formally signed and implemented by many of the world's countries. IPA has been concerned for years that the prominent public image of manufacturers of infant foods implies a relationship with the profession of

pediatrics which compromises the IPA commitment to promotion of breastfeeding. In 2007 at its triennial meeting, the IPA Council of Delegates resolved unanimously that the IPA fully subscribe to the Code and encourage its Member Societies to do the same. The IPA remains firmly committed to these principles.

IPA has been concerned by a number of recent articles in the lay press (including the London Times, Atlantic Monthly, and New York Times) indicating that breast feeding can be inconvenient for mothers and that the scientific evidence for superiority of breast milk to any known artificial formula is weak. We note that available evidence for the superiority of breast milk is backed by sound scientific studies. We recognize that some mothers are unable to or unwilling to breast feed, and advise that each mother be presented with the best available evidence on infant feeding and encouraged to make her informed choice on how best to feed her baby. Noting that many mothers must return to work during the 6 month recommended period of "exclusive" breast feeding; we support efforts to achieve national policy regulations which address this difficult issue.

IPA congratulates WABA and its partners on the annual promotion of Breast Feeding Week. Our IPA motto is Healthy Children for a Healthy World. The best start for a healthy life for each and every child begins with exclusive breast milk feeding for the first 6 months of life. We look forward to a world where this is possible for all of the world's mothers and children.

3. IPA has acted on CD Resolution 208 mandating an increase in the number of APPA seats from two to four given the wide geographic spread and very large child population of this vast area.
4. The IPA website has been revised and now offers website coverage for each IPA Member Society.

Continuing and new initiatives of the 2007 - 2010 Standing Committee:

1. Governance and Administration

President Chok-wan Chan notes solidarity of IPA management enabling an optimum IPA platform with unified effort and dedication for promotion of global child health. The IPA Executive director has effectively administered our international and internal and external affairs and provided timely coordination of program areas. Our President-Elect and his Governance Committee have been active in overseeing infrastructure in governance and constitutional matters. Our IPA Treasurer has provided oversight of IPA finance. The Council of Delegates, Standing Committee, and Executive Committee have provided effective leadership for guidance, supervision, empowerment, and support of IPA policies, action plans, and implementation logistics.

Administrative Offices of the IPA

The IPA is an organization with worldwide membership, and geographic locations and homes of its administrative personnel have been by necessity located in different countries and regions. IPA has lacked resources to establish a central adequately staffed secretariat. Currently IPA operates out of two main locations:

- Kenes International: Three different departments of the Kenes International Company administered various aspects of IPA activities 2007 to 2010.
 - An IPA administrative office has been housed at Kenes International in Geneva. During this triennium the Kenes International company has moved its Geneva offices to a new address, and there have been turnovers in Kenes office management and Kenes IPA staffing (One staff position titled IPA Account Manager is supported by Kenes). At the present time Ms. Clea Estruch is the IPA Accounts Manager in the Geneva Kenes office. The Geneva office is responsible for maintaining IPA membership lists, notifying and collecting dues, sending out notices and information to Member Societies and to IPA SC and EC members, monitoring the IPA Geneva bank accounts, and arranging IPA Standing Committee and Executive Committee meetings.

- The IPA Congress organizer, also from Kenes International, is Avital Rosen; she and her staff are based in a separate Kenes office in Tel Aviv. This office is responsible for Congress organization and management, Congress budget and sponsorships, collection of Congress abstracts, and collaboration of both IPA and SAPA in all Congress arrangements.
- The Kenes Information Technology and web personnel are located in Tel Aviv, and can be reached only through the IPA secretariat in Geneva. They manage IPA web maintenance and mass send outs.
- The IPA Executive Director's (Jane Schaller) office is housed at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver Canada, and works with one executive assistant, Ms. Sharon Buchman, working as closely as possible with the Geneva office and the Tel Aviv Congress office. The Executive Director's office has been responsible for coordinating activities of the Vancouver office and the Kenes offices, supervising and developing program areas and external relations, supporting the President and other officers, supporting the Technical Advisors, overseeing relationships with external organizations, advising on member relations, and organizing agendas, oversight, and preparing minutes of the Standing and Executive Committee meetings and the Council of Delegates meetings.
- IPA President Chok-wan Chan has worked through his own office in Hong Kong with no IPA paid staff, and through the Executive Director's office for support of his activities. The President has represented the IPA at many global and national meetings, conferences, and workshops.
- The Treasurer, Zulfiqar Bhutta has worked from his office in Karachi, Pakistan, with no IPA paid staff. He has provided oversight of budget and expenditures, and bank accounts, and has worked with the Executive Director in the preparation of IPA financial reports with data provided by the IPA Geneva office.
- The IPA quarterly newsletter is supported by IPA and produced in India under the editorship of Swati Y Bhawe. The 2005 to 2010 year-end annual IPA summary reports have been produced by the Executive Director.

IPA Executive Committee 2007- 2010

The IPA Executive Committee 2007-2010 has included the IPA officers and executives (Honorary President, President, President-Elect, Executive Director, Treasurer, Coordinator, and Congress President) plus two Standing Committee members elected to the Executive Committee by the Standing Committee.

All members of the Executive Committee also serve as members of Standing Committee.

The composition of the 2007 - 2010 Executive Committee has been:

- Ihsan Dogramaci: Honorary President (Turkey)
- Chok-wan Chan: President (Hong Kong)
- Jane Schaller: Executive Director (USA/Canada)
- Sergio Cabral: President-elect (Brazil)
- Zulfiqar Bhutta: Treasurer (Pakistan)
- Swati Y Bhawe: Coordinator (India)
- Keith Bolton 26th Congress President 2010 (South Africa)
- Adenike Grange: Past President (Nigeria) supported by M. Cherif Rahimy (Benin) when her duties made attendance impossible.
- Hussein Bahaeldin: Elected representative of the Standing Committee to the Executive Committee (Egypt)
- Judith Hall: Elected representative of the Standing Committee to the Executive Committee (Canada)

The Executive Committee has met solely on occasions of the Standing Committee meetings during this triennium, with a session prior to each Standing Committee meeting to prepare the Standing Committee meeting and a session after each Standing Committee meeting to discuss implementation and action on the mandates requested by the Standing Committee.

Finances

President Chok-wan Chan notes that IPA has been remarkably active despite limited resources and thanks the Executive Director and Treasurer for optimally overseeing IPA funding and finances. He acknowledges IPA officers, executives, and administrative staff for judicious use of IPA funds and notes that overall income and expenditures of IPA remain healthy although fundraising needs more effort in the coming triennium.

The role of the IPA Treasurer has been enhanced to include monitoring of IPA expenditures and preparation of financial reports for the Finance and Standing Committees. Under the Treasurer's supervision, all Member Societies have been encouraged to pay dues. At the mandate of the current IPA Standing Committee, only those societies that have paid dues for the three years of the triennium 2007 – 2010 will be able to vote at the Council of Delegates meetings in Johannesburg, South Africa.

The IPA Treasurer's Report:

Finance Report & Triennium Balance Sheet Submitted by Zulfiqar A. Bhutta, Treasurer IPA

This financial report and triennium balance sheet represents the summary of the financial position of the International Pediatric Association for the years 2007-2009. This report should be read in conjunction with the previous financial reports over this period as well as the audited account reports for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009. In addition to the triennial account summaries, an asset balance sheet is also included and in full synchrony with the audited reports.

I append the final accounts and balance sheets for 2007, 2008 and 2009 (Table 1). Year 2008 was observed as the good year for revenue generation, with the main source of income being \$ 352,435/- from the Athens Congress. In addition \$358,054/- was received as annual dues over the period of three years. The major expenses over the three years were those related to the EC/SC meetings amounting to \$330,747, The Secretariat expenses totaled about \$ 53,000. The IPA income from dues and additional sources was thus \$68,542 less than projected and the recent moves for tying up dues payment with voting rights may rectify this. While these three years ended on a positive balance (Table 2), it was largely due to lower than anticipated program expenditure, which is not a sound position for a global association.

In summary

1. Despite an extremely challenging financial crisis and exchange rate fluctuations in 2008, we have been able to maintain financial solvency. We are particularly grateful to the IPA leadership and Standing Committee members for agreeing to austerity measures thereby limiting expenditures for their meetings.
2. The leadership also needs to be lauded for their efforts in maintaining a high profile for the IPA in international circles and thus obtaining significant travel funds for IPA leadership travel. In particular the role of the IPA in the Partnership for Maternal & Newborn health and the GAVI alliance has led to significant contribution to our advocacy efforts.
3. The main area of concern is under spending on the programmatic side for which seed monies have been regularly budgeted. This area needs major revamping.
4. Our receipt of dues is suboptimal and the current levels of dues for specialty and regional societies merit revisiting as these are static at an unrealistically low figures for the last 15 years. Stringent measures are being proposed to optimize dues collection processes and to institutionalize this process within the secretariat.

Table 1

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEARS 2007 - 2009

In US Dollars

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
	<u>USD</u>	<u>USD</u>	<u>USD</u>
REVENUES			
Annual dues	151,033	113,390	93,631
Financial income	30,950	3,017	224
Donations	13,000		
Revenues from ICP2007, Athens		352,435	
Exchange gains	4,864	857	5,955
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>199,847</u>	<u>469,700</u>	<u>99,810</u>
EXPENSES			
President's office	36,058	0	0
Executive Director's office - Vancouver			
Staff Salary	41,280	27,511	57,382
Operating expenses	2,369	505	1,662
Total	<u>43,649</u>	<u>28,017</u>	<u>59,044</u>
Travel (President/Executive Director/other)			
Relations with IPA Members	4,120	3,165	0
External Relations (WHO, PMNCH, other)	7,345	18,102	16,082
Various	19,121	1,669	1,495
Total	<u>30,586</u>	<u>22,936</u>	<u>17,577</u>
Executive and Standing Committees Meetings			
Geneva+Abuja - Athens - Boston	-4,073	280	1,329
Geneva - Sandton - Oxford	43,822	58,296	43,493
Athens - Boston - Shanghai	2,737	82,717	44,633
Total	<u>42,487</u>	<u>141,293</u>	<u>89,455</u>
ICP 2007, Athens	36,143	1,774	0
Fundraising	0	3,178	0
Program Areas			
Adolescent Health	32,537	0	5,021
Better Medicines for Children	299	0	0
Children's Environmental Health	19,128	0	0
Child Health in Humanitarian Emergency	0	0	0
Immunization	2,422	0	0
HIV-AIDS / TB	0	0	0
MDG Project	0	0	0
Newborn and Child Survival	333	0	0
Nutrition	0	0	0
Quality of Care	0	0	0
Other program Areas/General (sickle cell disease)	0	0	4,569
Total	<u>54,719</u>	<u>10,168</u>	<u>9,590</u>

Communication			
Website maintenance	3,823	2,280	1,596
Telephone/Internet	10,647	6,401	6,964
Total	14,470	8,681	8,560
Various services			
Accounting & Auditing	6,792	8,919	8,605
Bank charges	1,775	2,358	2,652
Credit card charges	162	165	130
Administration Services	0	421	0
Graphic Printing	8	2,893	100
Mail	967	900	1,108
Operating expenses - Geneva office	340	109	0
Legal services	686	0	5,206
Irregular expenses	0	175	0
Total	10,730	15,940	17,802
Exchange Loss	1,234	35,818	31
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>270,076</u>	<u>267,804</u>	<u>202,058</u>
<u>EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</u>	<u>-70,229</u>	<u>201,896</u>	<u>-102,248</u>

Table 2

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as of December 31st 2009 - 2008 - 2007

In US dollars

ASSETS

	2009	2008
Cash on hand	12	652
Bank, current accounts	347,595	315,242
Time deposit	0	150,000
Marketable securities	167,990	167,990
Account receivable	2,694	2,694
Prepaid expenses	0	150
Total current assets	518,291	636,728
TOTAL ASSETS	518,291	636,728

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	2009	2008
Bank Overdraft	0	341
Creditors	10,817	30,053
Accrued liabilities	12,802	9,415
Total Liabilities	23,620	39,809
Net assets, beginning of the year	596,919	395,022
Current year, excess revenues over expenses	-102,248	201,897
Net assets, unrestricted	494,671	596,919
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	518,291	636,728

Organization of Eight IPA Working Committees:

President Chan notes the importance of the establishment of IPA Working Committees under the Standing Committee, and notes that these Working Committees have clear terms of reference, membership, lines of action, and regular reporting to the Standing Committee mechanism. Each of the eight IPA Working Committees has specific terms of reference. These Working Committees meet at the time of the IPA Standing Committee to conduct their business and make recommendations to the entire Standing Committee. They are also charged with appropriate continuing activities between IPA meetings. The working committees meet at the time of the IPA

Standing Committee meeting to conduct their business and make recommendations to the entire Standing Committee, and they are also charged with continuing activities between IPA meetings.

1. IPA Advocacy and Government Affairs Committee

Chair: William Keenan

Members: Nike Grange, Yveline Houenou, Michael Krawinkel, Armido Rubino

Terms of Reference

- Focus pediatricians and pediatric organizations on issues of child health at their community and national levels
- Identify issues that interfere with child health
- Increase the acquisition of advocacy skills by regional and local pediatricians
- Increase awareness of policies related to child health
- Work with all Technical Advisory Programs and IPA Committees to improve health, health care, and prevention measure for children
- Identify types of policies and best practice policies related to child health

2. IPA Archives and Alumni Committee

Chair: Hussein Bahaaeldin

Members: Jose Boix-Ochoa, Enver Hasanoglu, Jane Schaller

Terms of Reference

- Be sure that the history of IPA continues to be preserved
- Establish an archive and determine what materials should be maintained in the archive
- Identify individuals who have been active in IPA (designated Alumni)
- Contact the IPA Alumni members on a regular basis, and establish mechanism(s) to maintain ongoing contact

3. IPA Communications Committee

Chair: Naveen Thacker

Members: Swati Bhave, Keith Bolton, Geoffrey Cleghorn, Peter Cooper, Sanath Lamabadusuriya, Jane Schaller, President ex-Officio

Terms of Reference

- Develop communication strategy for IPA including guidelines and expectations of:
 - i. Website (Naveen Thacker)
 - ii. Newsletters (Swati Y Bhave)
- Explore the possibility of an IPA Global Pediatric Journal

IPA Newsletter Committee

[Sub-committee of the IPA Communications Committee]

Names that will be on the Newsletter:

President – Dr. Chok-wan Chan
President Elect – Sergio Cabral
Executive Director – Dr. Jane Schaller
Newsletter Editor – Dr. Swati Bhave

Website Editor – Dr. Naveen Thacker

The IPA Newsletter will be published quarterly from 2009 (at present it will include July to December 2008) and include synopsis of SC meetings, meetings attended by IPA representatives, IPA regional news, and items of interest to child health care workers

Terms of Reference for the Editorial Board

- Will help the editor in editing the news items that are received
- Will solicit news from their region for the IPA Newsletter
- Will evaluate each newsletter, and make suggestions for the improvement of the newsletter

Terms of Reference for the IPA Newsletter Advisory Board

- Send news from regional and national societies to the IPA Newsletter Editor at least quarterly
- Give critical evaluations and suggestions for the improvement of the IPA Newsletter at least quarterly
- Assure all materials reflect the ethical standards of IPA

IPA Website Committee

[Sub-committee of the IPA Communications Committee]

Editor: Naveen Thacker

Editorial Board: Jie Ding, Najwa Khuri Bulos, Jane Schaller, Ahmed Younes, G.Cleghorn, Sergio Cabral

Editorial Advisory Board

Hussein Bahaeldin, Keith Bolton, Peter Cooper, Fernando Dominguez-Dieppa, Enver Hasangolu, Sanath P Lamabadusuriya, Armido Rubino, Eva Olah

Ex-officio: Swati Bhawe, Sergio Cabral, Chok-wan Chan, and Jane Schaller

4. IPA Education Committee

Chair: Hussein Bahaeldin

Members: Jie Ding, Fernando Dominguez-Dieppa, Enver Hasanoglu, Yveline Houenou, Alejandra Jara-Gaete, Najwa Khuri Bulos, Bill Keenan, Yu-Lung Lau, Eva Olah, Armido Rubino

Terms of Reference

- The committee is the arm of IPA to be concerned with education about child health at all levels of Pediatrics (med students, resident, subspecialist, and CME) and with the education of other child health care partners, with emphasis on practitioners in remote areas.
- Educational programs should be tailored to the needs of 21st century pediatricians, member groups, and the vision of IPA

5. IPA Ethics Committee

Chair: Chok-wan Chan

Vice-Chair: Cherif Rahimy

Members: Keith Bolton, Peter Cooper, Jie Ding, Fernando Dominiguez, Sanath Lamabadusuriya, Eva Olah, and Ashok Gupta, Kadriye Yurdakok, Richard Uauy

Terms of Reference

- Examine practical ethical issues concerning the IPA
- Examine ethical policy for IPA relations with Industry
- Advise Standing Committee and Executive Committee on ethical issues related to IPA activities

6. IPA Finance and Fundraising Committee

Chair: Zulfiqar Bhutta

Members: Jose Boix-Ochoa, Sergio Cabral, Najwa Khuri Bulos, Mohamad Mikati, President and ED ex officio, Jane Schaller

Terms of Reference

- The committee is the financial arm of IPA and is responsible for yearly budgeting, planning financial activities, development of guidelines, vetting expenses, and arranging yearly audits.
- The Committee will undertake the development of a 5 year plan for fundraising

7. IPA Governance and Constitution Committee

Chair: Sergio Cabral

Members: Geoffrey Cleghorn, Judith Hall, Sanath Lamabadusuriya, Mohamad Mikati, Naveen Thacker, ex-officio ED and President

Terms of Reference

- Review and clarify IPA modes of governance related to various aspects of its work and programs for consistency
- Periodically review the Constitution to evaluate the need for clarification or amendments (18 months before Congress)
- Develop rules and regulations (operating manual/policy hand book) concerning the ongoing operational activities of IPA to assure transparency
- Periodically review resolutions so old ones can “sunset”
- Study the structure of IPA Committees and subcommittees to determine appropriateness

8. IPA Membership Committee

These duties have been assumed by the Executive Committee for this triennium.

Chair: IPA ED and President

Members: Swati Bhave, Zulfiqar Bhutta, Yu-Lung Lau, Cherif Rahimy, Michael Krawinkle
Also need representation from each region

Terms of Reference

- Facilitate the building and strengthening pediatric societies
- Promote communication and partnerships between member societies and IPA

2. Member Relations

- President Chan notes enhancement of communications with members through an enhanced IPA website, launching of a quarterly IPA newsletter, and participation of IPA officers and executive in regional and some national IPA Member Society meetings and activities. We also note that IPA is inviting IPA Alumni as special guests to the 26th International Congress in Johannesburg, and that we salute our Alumni as our pioneers and guides in future IPA activity. During the 2010 Congress we hope to establish a viable and ongoing and active Alumni Society which will include all past IPA committee members, executives, and officers as well as persons who have shown particular interest in the IPA and contributed their expertise to our mission.
- IPA representatives have attended the Regional Pediatric Society meetings of: ALAPE, APPA, EAP/UNEPSA, North America (CPS, AAP, PAS), UAPS, UMEMPS, UNAPSA, and UNIPSTR. IPA has advocated strongly for close working relationships with our Regional Societies, and notes that IPA constitutional changes of 2004 mandate that Standing Committee members are all elected to represent their Regional Societies as well as the National Pediatric Societies within each region. Close communications from the IPA Standing Committee representatives to their regions and the countries in their regions are of great importance to IPA, and we welcome suggestions from the Council of Delegates as to the status and function of these communications and to how they might be improved. IPA has also been represented at a number of National Pediatric Society meetings, and other pediatric meetings of interest to IPA members or to global child health.
- IPA has worked to improve communications with our Member Societies and other interested organizations in several ways: creation of a quarterly news letter edited by IPA Coordinator Swati Y Bhave, enhancement of the IPA website edited by IPA SC member Naveen Thacker, and continued creation of a year end summary newsletter from the Executive Director's office. We welcome suggestions from the Council of Delegates concerning further enhancement of communication efforts with all of our Member Societies.

3. Congress Relations

- President Chan notes that the 26th International Congress is the first ever to be held in Sub-Saharan Africa and also the first IPA Congress managed by our IPA professional Congress organizer jointly with the host society. This arrangement has allowed IPA to remove the financial burden from the National host society and transfer it to the IPA PCO. President Chan also notes the importance of this Congress as it will constitute the centenary celebration of the IPA. In this regard brochures describing the history of IPA will be distributed to all attendees of the Congress, and as will a CD of the history of IPA prepared by Hussein Bahaeldin. A celebration party for the hundredth IPA birthday will be held following the opening ceremony and open to all Congress participants. In addition all Alumni will be honored at the IPA Alumni dinner during the Congress.
- Joint efforts between IPA and SAPA, national host for the 26th ICP 2010 and IPA professional Congress organizer Kenes International in organizing the 26th ICP. An international Scientific Committee was constituted with representatives from all IPA regions. A local scientific and program committee was established with representatives from the South African Pediatric Association; this group worked in collaboration with the international scientific committee. We will welcome comments from the Council of Delegates concerning the organization of the 26th International Congress, and will be happy to hear your suggestions for improvement in the process for 2016.

- The IPA began collaborations with Paediatrics & Child Health Division of The Royal Australasian College Of Physicians and its designated 2013 Congress representative Professor Neil Wigg concerning organization of the 2013 Congress in Melbourne, Australia. President Chok-wan Chan, Executive Director Jane Schaller, and Past President Adenike Grange have previously visited Melbourne and the 2013 Congress site and met with our Australian colleagues.

4. External Relations

- President Chan notes his pleasure with IPA external affairs and activities.
- IPA has continued to develop external relationships with a number of organizations including board representation on two key international partnerships: Adenike Grange and Jane Schaller have served on the Board of Directors of The Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunizations (GAVI), and Zulfiqar Bhutta, Jane Schaller, and Chok Wan Chan have served on the Board of Directors of the Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH). IPA has participated in consultations for the International Health Partnership (IHP+) and The High Level Task Force for Innovative Financing for Health MDGs. IPA has participated in WHO in the World Health Assembly and meetings of the WHO Executive Board, and has presented a number of statements including advocacy statements for better medicines for children, the Millennium Development Goals, primary health care, child hood visual impairment, and childhood tuberculosis. IPA continues to collaborate with Child and Adolescent Health, WHO Geneva, with ongoing collaborative projects in Adolescent Health, Quality of Care, and Evidence Based Medicine, and Pre-Service Training. IPA encourages our Regional Member Societies to attend and participate in Regional WHO meetings. IPA has also participated as an invited participant to the strategic advisory group of experts of WHO vaccines and immunization (SAGE), and our IPA Treasurer Zulfiqar Bhutta is now a member of the WHO SAGE Board representing the WHO EMRO region. IPA also collaborates with UNICEF both at country and regional levels.

5. Program

- President Chan is pleased with the establishment of the system of IPA Technical Advisors with Co-Chairs from the Standing Committee and notes that these areas have well defined objectives, are developing strategic program plans, report back efficiently to the IPA Standing Committee, and provide guidance and supervision of program activities.

IPA Technical Advisor (TA) in Program Areas:

- It has been noted that most of the IPA program areas are important components of the Millennium Development Goal project. These areas have been grouped under the MDG and Child Survival programs and include: MDG Project, Child Survival, Adolescent Health, Better Medicines, Immunization, HIV – TB, Nutrition, and Quality of Care. The two remaining IPA program areas are unique; Childrens Environmental Health and Child Health in Humanitarian Emergency. Program committees have been or are being constituted in all of these areas, and several program areas will be presenting workshops or sessions at the 2010 Congress in Johannesburg.
- The IPA has further developed the structure and function of the Technical Advisors (TAs) and the appointment and activation of their IPA program committees. Co-Chairs from the Standing Committee have been appointed for each of the IPA program areas. The Technical Advisors have met with the IPA Standing Committee on two occasions to discuss their relationship to IPA, to IPA program, and to the coordination of IPA program committees.
 - **Adolescent Health:** Swati Y Bhave (Technical Advisor), Eva Olah (Co-Chair)

- Swati Y Bhave in collaboration with Chandra Mouli of WHO has developed a tool kit for adolescent health which will be distributed to all IPA Member Societies for their use in developing programs in this important and neglected area of health.
- **Better Medicines for Children:** Kalle Hoppu (Technical Advisor), Mohamad Mikati (Co-Chair)
 - Kalle Hoppu has established a functional program committee consisting of expert pediatric pharmacologists and pharmacists from all IPA regions. He is working actively with WHO, and he and Executive Director Jane Schaller were active on lobbying for a mandate for WHO to act on Better Medicines for Children which was passed at the World Health Assembly in 2009. Professor Hoppu and his committee will be presenting a workshop at the Johannesburg Congress.
- **Child Health in Humanitarian Emergency:** Karen Olness (Technical Advisor), Sanath Lamabadusuriya (Co-Chair)
 - This area has been chaired by Karen Olness and Srivieng Pairojkul of Thailand, who have now constituted a program committee. Drs. Olness and Pairojkul have developed a workshop in Child Health and Emergency which has been presented to Pediatric Societies in many countries of the world, and which has, in particular targeted countries such as China, Myanmar, Pakistan, Thailand, and Haiti where there have been natural disasters of great magnitude during this triennium.
- **Children's Environmental Health:** Ruth Etzel (Technical Advisor), Jie Ding (Co-Chair)
 - This program area has been very active under the guidance of Ruth Etzel, Technical Advisor and Jie Ding her Co-Chair from the Standing Committee. This program area has developed an active website, a sound collaboration with WHO, and a track record of successful grant fundraising and regional workshops. Dr. Etzel and her committee will be presenting a workshop during the 26th Congress.
- **HIV / TB:** Hoosen (Jerry) Coovadia (Technical Advisor), Keith Bolton (Co-Chair)
 - Hoosen Coovadia is one of the leading experts in Maternal Newborn and Child HIV, and has been consistently helpful in representing IPA at various HIV conferences, and in advocating for prevention of maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent child HIV acquisition and treatment of affected children. Professor Coovadia and Executive Director Jane Schaller published a commentary on maternal, newborn, and child HIV AIDS in the Lancet at the time of the World Aids Conference in Mexico City.
- **Immunization:** Ciro deQuadros (Technical Advisor), Najwa Khuri-Bulos (Co-Chair)

- IPA has worked actively with GAVI, SAGE / WHO, and will be instituting a program of National Pediatric Immunization Champions during the 26th Congress. Ciro de Quadros and Najwa Khuri-Bulos have provided leadership of the IPA program area, and are constituting a program committee which will provide continued guidance.
- **Millennium Development Goal Project:** Sverre O. Lie (Technical Advisor), Geoff Cleghorn (Co-Chair)
 - This area has been lead by Sverre Lie, the Technical Advisor with the assistance of Executive Director Jane Schaller. A program of National Pediatric MDG Champions is being developed, and start up grants are being made available to a number of the worlds' most difficult countries with the aim of helping to organize the National Pediatric Societies and helping them gain a voice with their own governments and agencies as leaders in newborn, child, and adolescent health. In addition IPA has been working closely with our colleagues in obstetrics and gynecology, and midwifery nursing, and under the auspices of the Partnership for Maternal Newborn, and Child Health have organized country level workshops for pediatricians, obstetricians, and midwives in ten African countries, six Asian countries, and five Arab countries, with future workshops being planned for Latin America in 2010. This effort is geared to providing continuity of care across the spectrum of Maternal Newborn and Child and Adolescent Health and in helping professional societies to work together at country level and also to gain recognition as important leaders in national child health.
- **IPA National Pediatric Champions Program:** Sverre O. Lie and Jane Schaller (Chairpersons)
 - IPA is now launching a program creating National Pediatric Champions in Immunization and National Pediatric Champions in MDGs. This program is in partnership with GAVI and UNICEF and has attracted a generous donor. The National Pediatric Societies of twenty five countries with the most difficult MNCH problems have now nominated two Champions from each country to inaugurate this program at a special Champions workshop at the Johannesburg International Congress. This program allies the immunization and MDG program areas to work towards preventing vaccine preventable diseases and achieving the MDGs, and to gain a meaningful voice in health policy and implementation within their own countries.. We hope during the next three years to extend this program to all interested National Pediatric Societies.
- **Newborn and Child Survival:** Zulfiqar Bhutta (Technical Advisor), Bill Keenan (Newborn co-Chair) and M. Cherif Rahimy (Child Co-Chair)
 - This area has been lead by Zulfiqar Bhutta, with Bill Keenan and Cherif Rahimy as Co-Chairs. The emphasis is on basic means of fostering newborn child and adolescent survival and health at country level, utilizing essential and cost effective interventions, and working through National Pediatric Societies.

- **Nutrition:** Ricardo Uauy (Technical Advisor), Michael Krawinkel (Co-Chair)
 - This important area lead by Ricardo Uauy, Technical Advisor, and Michael Krawinkel, Co-Chair from the Standing Committee has formed a working relationship with the London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, and is participating in a global campaign to combat hunger in children. As noted previously, IPA has also advocated for exclusive breastfeeding of infants.
- **Quality of Care and Evidence Based Medicine:** Giorgio Tamburlini (Technical Advisor), Armido Rubino (Co-Chair)
 - This area is lead by Giorgio Tamburlini, Technical Advisor with Armido Rubino as Co-Chair. The emphasis is on assuring the quality of care in facilities of various levels in the developing world. Professor Tamburlini will be presenting a workshop on Quality of Care.

5. Future directions of the International Pediatric Association

- Continuation and future advancement of IPA Working Committees to carry out IPA administrative functions with leadership from the Standing Committee.
- Continued strengthening of the IPA Technical Advisor and programmatic aspects of IPA, realizing that country level action is the most important need in global child health, and that strengthening National Pediatric Societies and giving them a voice in health policy in their own countries, and access to UN and donor agencies is a crucial need.
- Future thinking geared to continuing to define needs of children in global child health and to move beyond the period of the MDGs in 2015 to future years.
- Developing a functional and active IPA Alumni organization, strengthening relationships with our IPA Member Societies, and looking to IPA Alumni for guidance, support, and resource mobilization for IPA of the future.
- More intensive effort in IPA fundraising.
- Working towards developing a permanent secretariat for the IPA with support for adequate staff to carry out our present work and expand our activities in the future.
- Bringing MDG work and IPA program to country level to involve activities of IPA member societies.
- Strengthening pediatric societies and their voices in national newborn and child health policy and program, with special attention to countries where there are major difficulties with Maternal Newborn and Child Health.
- Continued and strengthened collaboration with our colleagues in obstetrics and gynecology, midwifery, nursing, pharmacy, and other Health Care Professional Associations (HCPAs) at national, regional, and global levels, with emphasis on continuity of care across the spectrum of Maternal Newborn and Child Health.
- Strengthening the position of the pediatric profession as the expert group in the health and care of newborns, children, and adolescents.

- Creating functional international networks of pediatrics such as a network of National Pediatric Champions of Immunization which will coordinate with IPA, GAVI, and others, and a network of National Pediatric MDG Champions.
- Producing educational modules for use of IPA member societies in all of the IPA program areas, and providing IPA program related workshops for national and regional pediatric societies who request them.
- Enhancing communications and expanding mutual activities with IPA member societies.
- Continued strengthening of relationships with external organizations.
- Much more emphasis on successful fundraising which will enhance achievement of meaningful improvements in child health and function of pediatric societies at country levels.

Respectfully submitted,



Chok-wan Chan, President IPA



Jane Schaller, Executive Director IPA