

## **ICO Welcomes New ICO Officers and Board Members and Recognizes Outgoing Members**

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*San Francisco, California, USA* – The International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO) welcomes incoming ICO Officers and ICO Board members, and recognizes ICO Officers and Board members whose terms ended in early 2016. The new positions took effect at the close of the World Ophthalmology Congress® (WOC) of the ICO in Guadalajara, Mexico, February 5–9, 2016.

“It is due to the commitment of our volunteer [Board of Trustees](#), [Advisory Committee](#), [committees](#), and [task forces](#) that the ICO is able to develop and offer innovative programs and initiatives to preserve and restore vision,” said Hugh Taylor, AC, MD, President of the ICO. ICO Officers and Board members represent an assembly of international experts who are collaborating to ‘Build a World Alliance for Sight.’ The final selection is balanced by subspecialty, gender, and region.

### **ICO Board Officers (Incoming and Re-elected)**

The following individuals have been re-elected or are incoming ICO Board Officers:

- President: Hugh Taylor, AC, MD (re-elected)
- Vice Presidents: Neeru Gupta, MD, PhD, MBA and Kgaogelo (Eddie) Legodi, MD (incoming)
- Treasurer: Peter Wiedemann, MD (re-elected)
- Advisory Committee Chair and Board Member: Harminder Dua, MD, PhD, FRCP (incoming)

### **ICO Board Members (Incoming):**

The following individuals will begin their term as ICO Board members at the close of WOC2016:

- Wanjiku Mathenge, MD, PhD, FEACO
- Marie-Jose Tassignon, MD
- Mohamed Alaa Eldanasoury, MD, FRCS
- Van Lansingh, MD (Director for Advocacy)
- Serge Resnikoff, MD, PhD (Director for Eye Care Delivery)
- Berthold Seitz, MD (Director for Fellowship)

### **ICO Board Members (Outgoing):**

The following individuals completed their term as ICO Board members at the close of WOC2016:

- Abdulaziz AlRajhi, MD, ICO Vice President and President WOC2012
- Tetsuro Oshika, MD, PhD, President WOC2014
- Emilio Campos, MD
- Adekunle Olubola Hassan, FNIM, FRCON, FRCS
- Alfred Sommer, MD, ICO Director for Eye Care Delivery
- Veit-Peter Gabel, MD, FARVO, ICO Director for Fellowships

### **New Members of the Advisory Committee**

The following individuals will begin their two-year term on the ICO Advisory Committee at the close of WOC2016:

- Harminder Dua, MD, PhD, FRCP, FRCOphth, FEBO, FRCS, MNAMS, MS, DO, MBBS (AC Chair)
- Ahmed Trabelsi, MD
- Ebtisam Al Alawi, FRCS (Glas, Ed), MRCOPhth, DO IR
- Catherine Green, MBChB, MMedSc, FRANZCO
- Joao Furtado, MD, PhD
- Wei He, MD, PhD

#### **Past Members of the Advisory Committee**

The following individuals are completing their two-year term on the Advisory Committee at the close of WOC2016. They will be formally recognized and thanked for their contributions during ICO meetings at WOC2016.

- Neeru Gupta, MD, PhD, MBA (Dr. Gupta is incoming ICO Vice President)
- Manal Bouhaimed, MBChB, PhD.
- Mohamed Alaa Eldanasoury, MD, FRCS (Dr. Eldanasoury is an incoming ICO Board Member)
- Thomas Fenech, MBBS, FRCOphth
- Santosh Honavar, MD, FACS
- Wanjiku Mathenge, MD, PhD, MBChB (Dr. Mathenge is an incoming ICO Board member)

#### **About the International Council of Ophthalmology:**

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