

ASIAN PACIFIC
ORGANIZATION
FOR CANCER
PREVENTION
(APOCP)

13TH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY & SCIENTIFIC
CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 28 - 30 2026

THE WATERFRONT HOTEL,
KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM
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**MONDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2026 –
APOCP 25TH CELEBRATION**

7:30-8:30 Registration

8:30-8:45 Welcome Remarks

8:45-9:15 Opening Ceremony

KEYNOTE

9:15-9:45 Cancer Intelligence for Action: Data, Equity, and the Next 25 Years of Cancer Control in Asia-Pacific

9:45-10:45 APOCP 25th Leaders' Plenary (Part 1)
What Worked, What Didn't: 25 Years of Cancer Control - Lessons Across LMICs and HICs

10:45-11:00 Tea Break

11:00-12:00 APOCP 25th Leaders' Plenary (Part 2)
Future-Ready Cancer Control (2035): A Practical Playbook for Asia-Pacific

12:00-13:00 APOCP 25th Leaders' Plenary (Part 3) - Panel Discussion
Future-Ready Cancer Control (2035): What Will We Stop, Start, and Scale in Asia-Pacific?

13:00-14:00 Lunch & Networking

14:00-15:00 Spotlight Oral Session

15:00-17:30 Parallel Sessions
Workshop 1: Implementation Science for Cancer Control
Workshop 2: Cancer Survivorship

19:00-21:30 Conference Gala Dinner

**TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2026 -
CONFERENCE DAY 1**

8:00-8:50 Breakfast Dialogues (Industry-Supported, Parallel)
Elil Renganathan (moderator) Public-Private Partnerships for Cancer Control

KEYNOTE

9:00-9:30 **Kara Magsanoc-Alikpala** (Philippines)
“Nothing About Us Without Us: A People-Powered Movement for Cancer Control in Asia-Pacific”

THEME 1 - THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE OF CANCER

9:30-9:35 Chair Introduction
Saunthari Somasundaram (Malaysia)
Alireza Mosavi-Jarrahi (Iran)

9:35-9:55 **Jennifer Moodley** (South Africa)
“Charting the Cancer Journey: Turning Lived Experience into Systems Change”

9:55-10:15 **Carolyn Taylor** (USA)
“Meaningful Engagement: Centring Lived Experience in Cancer Policy”

10:15-10:35 **Ophira Ginsburg** (Canada)
“Women, Power and Cancer”

10:35-10:55 **Bogda Koczwara** (Australia)
“Back to Work, Back to Life: A Survivorship Agenda for Asia-Pacific”

10:55-11:15 Discussion and Closing

11:15-11:35 Morning Coffee Break

THEME 2 - CANCER BURDEN, GAPS & PRIORITIES

11:35-11:40 Chair Introduction
Melissa Siaw-Han Lim (Malaysia)
Malcolm A. Moore (Thailand)

11:40-12:00 **Isabelle Soerjomataram** (IARC, France)
“Cancer Burden in Asia Pacific”

**TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2026 -
CONFERENCE DAY 1**

12:00-12:20 **Yek Ching Kong** (IARC, France)
“Paid and Unpaid Productivity Losses from
Cancer in Asia-Pacific”

12:20-12:40 **Karla Unger** (Mexico)
“Addressing Fragmentation of Care Through
Health-System Change”

12:40-13:00 **C.S. Pramesh** (India)
“Groundshot, Not Moonshot: Priorities for
Cancer Research in LMICs”

13:00-13:20 Q&A and Closing

13:20-14:20 Lunch

**THEME 3 - PREVENTION, SCREENING &
EARLY DETECTION**

14:20-14:25 Chair Introduction
Shazimah Abdul Samad (Malaysia)
Keun-Young Yoo (South Korea)

14:25-14:45 **Partha Basu** (IARC, France)
“Cervical Cancer Elimination in Asia-Pacific:
Status and Next Steps”

14:45-15:05 **Woo Yin Ling** (Malaysia)
“Redesigning Cervical Cancer Screening
Around Women’s Lives”

15:05-15:25 **Kim Yeol** (South Korea)
“Korea’s Lung Cancer Screening Experience:
Lessons for the Region”

15:25-15:45 **Arunah Chandran** (IARC, France)
“Implementation Science for Better
Prevention and Early Detection”

15:45-16:05 Q&A and Closing

16:05-16:25 Tea Break & End of Scientific Programme

16:25-17:55 Competitive Oral Sessions

18:30-21:00 Faculty Dinner

KEYNOTE

8:30-9:00 **Richard Sullivan** (UK)
“The Politics of Cancer Care: Power, Incentives, and Outcomes”

THEME 4 - UHC & CANCER SYSTEMS

9:00-9:05 Chair Introduction
Nirmala Bhoo-Pathy (Malaysia)
Jeff Dunn (Australia)

9:05-9:25 **Ait Allah Mejri** (Indonesia)
“Universal Health Coverage and Cancer Care: Aligning Industry, Policy and Patients”

9:25-9:45 **Julie Gralow** (USA)
“Access is an Outcome: Rewiring Systems to Close the Cancer Care Gap”

9:45-10:05 **Piya Hanvoravongchai** (Thailand)
“Strategic Purchasing for Universal Health Coverage: Lessons from Thailand”

10:05-10:25 **Beverley Essue** (Australia/ Canada)
“Redefining Universal Health Coverage Through a Human Lens for Cancer”

10:25-10:55 Q&A and Closing – Theme 4

10:55-11:15 Morning Coffee Break

THEME 5 - BUILDING CAPACITY & DELIVERING CANCER CARE

11:15-11:20 Chair Introduction
Vaishnavi Jeyasingam (Malaysia)
Abhishek Shankar (India)

11:20-11:40 **Voon Pei Jye** (Sarawak)
“Expanding Cancer Care and Clinical Research Capacity in LMICs”

11:40-12:00 **Nazik Hammad** (Sudan/ Canada)
“Building the Cancer Workforce through Partnership, Education, and Inclusion”

**WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2026 -
CONFERENCE DAY 2**

12:00-12:20 **Ednin Hamzah** (Malaysia)
“Early Palliative Care as the Standard in Cancer Care”

12:20-12:40 **Ajay Agarwal** (UK)
“Doing More with Less: Quality as a System Strategy”

12:40-13:10 Q&A and Closing

13:10-14:10 Lunch

**THEME 6 - LAW, POLICY AND REFORM IN
CANCER CONTROL**

14:10-14:15 Chair Introduction
Murallitharan Munisamy (Malaysia)
Maqsood Siddiqi (India)

14:15-14:35 **Hayley Jones** (Australia)
“Using Law to Tame the Commercial Drivers of Cancer”

14:35-14:55 **Yuri Ito** (Japan)
“Leveraging Population Data to Drive Evidence-Based Cancer Policy”

14:55-15:15 **Mei-Ling Yap** (Australia)
“National Cancer Control Planning and Equity”

15:15-15:35 **Chris Booth** (Canada)
“When Exercise Become Medicine in Cancer”

15:35-16:05 Q&A and Closing

16:05-17:00 Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony (End with Tea Break)

REGISTRATION FEES (USD, 3-DAY PASS)

Attendee category	Fee (USD)
High-income countries (HIC)	\$750
Upper-middle-income countries (UMIC)	\$600
Lower-middle-income countries (LMIC)	\$450
Low-income countries (LIC)	\$300
NGO — HIC	\$375
NGO — UMIC	\$300
NGO — LMIC	\$225
NGO — LIC	\$150
Students — HIC	\$300
Students — UMIC	\$225
Students — LMIC	\$180
Students — LIC	\$150

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- Students must upload a student ID or enrolment letter showing name, institution, and validity covering 28–30 September 2026.
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