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16th International Congress on Ambulatory Surgery
18th – 20th May, 2026, Dubrovnik, Croatia.
(Registration details will follow soon)



ANNOUNCEMENT

Members of The Indian Association of Day Surgery are requested to:

- 1) **Send their correct & working email ID to:**
info@daysurgeryindia.org As decided earlier, we are going paperless, all communications will be via email only.
- 2) **2023-24 issue of Day Surgery Journal of India, needs articles.**
If you have any interesting material to share, please send as soon as possible.

Greetings from the Editor!

IAAS GA meet: 12th May 2024. Oslo, Norway.

Pre-Congress GA meet was held on 12th May, 2024, in Oslo. This was the Election year, change in the Ex Co & the Principle Office bearers took place.

I had the opportunity of applying to the Ex Co and got elected unopposed. Following this, was unanimously elected to the post of Honorary General Secretary of The International Association for Ambulatory Surgery!

A prestigious post, previously held by Dr. Jan Eshuis, from The Netherlands, who was the Hon Secretary for 12 years! This is an Ex Officio Post as per the By-Laws of IAAS.

There was election for the post of President-Elect: Dr. Luis Hedalgo Grau, from Spain, was elected to the post. He will takeover in 2026. The tenure of President is 2 years. Presently, Dr. Arnold Veldon, from USA, is the President of IAAS.

Dr. Marc Coppens, from Belgium, will be the Treasurer of IAAS, he takes over from Dr. Luc van Outryve of Belgium.

The Ex Co is elected from the GA members, who in turn are representatives of Member Countries of The IAAS.

The GA members are increasing every year as new Countries join the IAAS as Full Members.



The General Assembly in progress.



GA Members, 44 in all! And growing!

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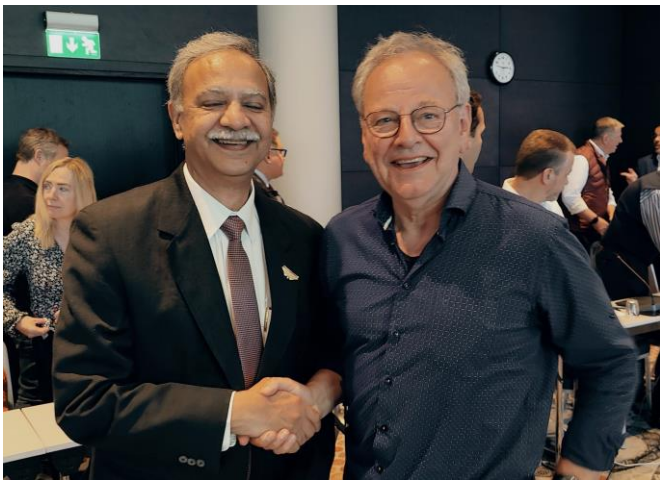
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The Executive Committee:



The older members leave as their term gets over, making way for newer ones. Elections are held, democratically.

There are 12 Directors and 2 Ex Officio Members in the Ex Co.



Dr. Jan Eshuis, the out-going Hon. Secretary, IAAS, congratulating me after the unanimous decision by the GA.

15th IAAS Congress:

Oslo, Capital of Norway, the city famous for the Nobel Peace Prize, hosted the 15th IAAS Congress from 13th -15th May, 2024.

Over 800 delegates and Faculty from all over the world gathered to witness another successful Congress on Ambulatory Surgery.

While going through the Scientific program and listening to the deliberations, one realises that there is so much to learn and take home, to improve our own methods by incorporating newer ideas and processes. Only, you have to go with an open mind.

The Newer participants in the Congress and the GA were Thailand, South Korea, Philippines, Switzerland, and Peru.

Several Posters and Papers were presented, judged and selected for a prize. It is amazing the amount of work being done on Ambulatory Surgery around the world!

Nicoll Lecture:



Dr. Johan Raeder, Professor Emeritus, Norway. Delivered the prestigious Oration, of IAAS. This Oration-Lecture was instituted to recognise and honour the initial work of 'The Father of Day Surgery': Dr. James H. Nicoll, whose initial publication in of 9000 cases in 1909, operated as Day Surgery, in Glasgow Children's Hospital, gave impetus to the concept of Day Care Surgery in the world.

Chairing a Session:



'The International Perspective', with Dr. Xavier Falieres, President, Dutch Society for Ambulatory Care.



Guest Lecture: Development of Ambulatory Surgery in India

Delivering a Guest lecture on 'Development of Ambulatory Surgery in India', it was recap of our progress since inception. The 2 decades of The Indian Association of Day Surgery, was presented, in these years, listing our achievements, made me feel proud of where we have reached. Though, more needs to be done at Home! More awareness, more Day Surgery Centres, till we get noticed by the Policy makers and bring Day Surgery in the National Schemes of Affordable Healthcare for all!

Honorary Membership:

Every few years, a select few, who have contributed to the IAAS and the cause of Ambulatory surgery, are awarded this Membership. This year too, we had four very senior members selected and given this honour, in acknowledgment and recognition of their contribution.

The IAAS has Full Members, Associate Members, Individual and Honorary Member category. Each category has its selection criteria.



The Honorary Members were: Dr. Beverly Philips, USA, Past President-IAAS; Dr. Dough McWhinnie, UK, Past President-IAAS; Dr. Jan Eshuis, The Netherlands, Hon Secretary-IAAS; Dr. Luc van Outryve, Belgium, Treasurer-IAAS.

The awards were distributed by the present President-IAAS, Dr. Carlos Megalhaes, in presence of Dr. Mads Moxness, Organising Chairman, Dr. Luis Hedalgo, President-Elect, and Dr. Arnold Veldon, President in waiting!

There were several Posters and Free papers from all over the world. They were screened, reviewed, and presented, to a team of Judges, lead by Dr. Nanda Kishore Manoharan, Hon. Secretary, IAAS & GA member-IAAS.


The Best entries were selected and made to present in the main Hall.



Dr. M. Nanda Kishore conducting the program.



The New Team: Dr. Naresh Row, Hon. Gen. Sec.; Dr. Luis Hedalgo, President Elect; Dr. Arnold Veldon, President; & Dr. Carlos Megalhaes, Immd. Past President.



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