



From the President's Desk: July 2018

We are thrilled to announce the **new Executive Board** which will begin its term on January 1, 2019 and will serve until December 31, 2021. We also welcome our **three new member Societies**: Iraqi Lipid Clinics Network, Kuwait 5000, and Saudi Group for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation. The following Boards members and new members were elected and approved by the Council during the International Symposium on Atherosclerosis in Toronto, Canada in June, 2018:

- *President* Raul Santos (Brazil)
- *President-Elect* Peter Libby (USA)
- *Past-President* Yuji Matsuzawa (Japan)
- *Secretary* Richard Ceska (Czech Republic)
- *Treasurer* Jacques Genest (Canada)

- **Member at Large (Europe)**
 - Kees Hovingh (The Netherlands)
 - Alberto Zambon (Italy)

- **Member at Large (Americas)**
 - Rodrigo Alonso Karlezi (Chile)
 - Jennifer Robinson (USA)

- **Member at Large (Asia Pacific)**
 - Stephen Nicholls (Australia)
 - Rody G. Sy (Philippines)
 - Shizuya Yamashita (Japan)

- **Member at Large (MENA Region and Africa)**
 - Khalid Al-Rasadi (Oman)
 - Frederick Raal (South Africa)

- **Senior Advisors to the Board**
 - Ada Cuevas (Chile)
 - M. John Chapman (France)
 - Dong Zhao (PR China)

The IAS Nominating Committee composed of Philip Barter (Chair of the Committee and Immediate IAS Past President) and Raul Santos (IAS, President-Elect), Anne Goldberg (USA), Chris Packard (UK), Brian Tomlinson (Hong Kong) began its work of developing a slate of future officers for the upcoming term in 2017. Because the views of all the Member Societies is critical, calls for their input from these societies were issued in the December 2017 and were repeated over the next several months. After considering this input in several meetings, the process was completed with

the presentation of the final slate of officers to the Constituent Societies at the Council meeting held on June 11, 2018 during the ISA2018 in Toronto.

The aim of the Committee was to develop a team to serve the IAS made up of outstanding leaders in the field of atherosclerosis and related diseases who:

- Represent the diversity found within the IAS
- Present views that are global in perspective
- Will be able to lead the IAS into the future

The Committee was asked to place strong emphasis on the selection of individuals who had demonstrated:

- Understanding and belief in the IAS mission
- Knowledge of the organization of the IAS
- Service to the IAS

Please join me in wishing our new IAS Board members and our three new member Societies all the best to continue to improve our excellent society for the benefit of the IAS as a whole and for each one of our members.

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