From the President

Dear Colleague,

As the speed of change continues to increase around us each day, our Society is not without exception. Since its inception, IGCS has been and will continue to be the premier society that extends across the globe with a truly multi-disciplinary membership inclusive to all practitioners in gynecologic oncology. When I think about IGCS and its potential for change, I think about the many opportunities that lie ahead for our Society.

Some of the changes we have planned will allow and encourage new ways of thinking - not only from the current leadership but from other members who have the desire to be a part of this great organization. The Council met in March and approved the formation of three committees to help the society move forward with its transformative goals. We are excited that these committees will create avenues to engage more IGCS members and utilize the talent and expertise of our membership for the good of the society. I feel strongly that our members will provide new and exciting ways to conduct our work and develop innovative ideas to keep our society fluid, stimulating and productive in meeting the needs of members and our patients. More information regarding these committees and ways to get involved will be released via email in the coming weeks.

Change will also present new partnership opportunities as many organizations are enthusiastic about the potential to partner with our society. Strategic partnerships with well-matched organizations can enhance our mission, build credibility, strengthen and proliferate our image, engage more individuals, create efficiencies and, most importantly, in the end make a bigger difference in the gynecologic cancer community. The leadership of IGCS will carefully examine potential partnerships as they present themselves in the future.

With all these positive changes and new initiatives beginning, it is an exciting time to be a member of IGCS. There is much for us to look forward to over the coming months and years ahead. As always, I am very interested in hearing from you. I can be reached through the administrative office of IGCS at adminoffice@igcs.org.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Lisbon in just six short months and continuing our conversation about change.

Sincerely,

Richard Barakat, MD
2014-2016 IGCS President

One thing I have learned over the years is that communication is key when you are facilitating your organization to change. The best way for us to provide you with updates on the new initiatives happening at IGCS is through our website. As part of our initial assessment, the Council has made the decision to invest resources to redesign www.igcs.org, refresh the content and enhance the online experience of members and visitors. As a global society with wide reaching membership, it is essential that IGCS maintain a state of the art website with current and relevant information. We will be asking many of you for your input as we work through this process with our web development firm.

Finally, as I mentioned in a recent communication, IGCS is very fortunate to have retained Mary Eiken as the society’s first ever CEO. This professional management change I am confident will present us with many new and exciting opportunities in the near future.

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2016 Council Elections

Lynette Denny, MD, PhD, IGCS Past President and Chair of the 2016 Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the candidates selected for the 2016 election slate. Online elections will open on May 1, 2016 and remain open for 30 days. The candidates receiving the most votes will be elected to serve on the IGCS Council starting November 1, after the 2016 Biennial Meeting. IGCS Members eligible to vote will receive further information on the candidates and a link to the online ballot via email.

Candidates for President Elect
Dr. Roberto Angioli (Italy)
Dr. Uziel Beller (Israel)

Candidates for Vice President
Dr. Nadeem Abu-Rustum (USA)
Dr. Kenneth Chinedu Ekwedgiwe (Nigeria)
Dr. Keiichi Fujiwara (Japan)

Candidates for Secretary Treasurer Elect
Dr. Adriana Bermudez (Argentina)
Dr. Andreas Obermair (Australia)

Candidates for Council Member (Pathologist)
Dr. Suha Deen (UK)
Dr. Joan Rutgers (USA)
Dr. Robert Soslow (USA)

Candidates for Council Member (Radiation Oncologist)
Dr. Anuja Jhingran (USA)
Dr. Kailash Narayan (Australia)
Dr. Remi Nout (The Netherlands)

Many thanks for everyone who submitted an application. The IGCS Council is pleased that there are so many outstanding IGCS Members interested in becoming involved with the society and they look forward to providing additional opportunities for member engagement through to the members committee service.

IARC Medal of Honour Awarded to Prof. Lynette Denny

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is the specialized cancer agency of the World Health Organization with the goal of promoting international collaboration in cancer research. Prof. Lynette Denny, IGCS Past President, has been chosen to receive the IARC Medal of Honour in recognition of her outstanding contributions to cancer research, particularly in relation to her remarkable work on cervical cancer prevention among disadvantaged communities. She will deliver a keynote lecture entitled "Screening and Early Detection of Cervical Cancer in Africa" during their 50th anniversary conference in Lyon June 7-10, 2016. Congratulations, Lynette!

IGCS would like to celebrate its members’ achievements – you are encouraged to inform us of awards and honors you receive or those awarded to your fellow IGCS members. Please email mary.eiken@igcs.org with the good news!
Over the past several years, IGCS has been providing scholarships up to $10,000 each to members in developing countries to travel and obtain post-graduate training at a qualified gynecologic oncology center. Those involved in the hosting centers are also IGCS members and work to provide adequate training in the scholars’ requested focus of clinical practice and/or research. This program has helped many IGCS members initiate collaborative research projects, learn surgical and radiation therapy techniques, apply medical oncology protocols and establish educational programs at the scholar’s home country.

Scholarship recipients in the first half of 2016 include:

**Ayodeji Adefemi** (Nigeria)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the University College of London Hospital Gyn Cancer Center with Dr. Adeola Olaitan.

**Raymond Dusabe** (South Africa)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the Tygerberg Hospital in Cape Town with Prof. Hennie Botha.

**Kartika Hapsari** (Indonesia)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at University Medical Center Utrecht in the Netherlands with Prof. Rene H.M. Verheije.

**Nighet Khan** (Nigeria)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the Royal Women’s Hospital in Melbourne with Dr. Orla McNally.

**Abhishek Mangeshikar** (India)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the Chang Gum Memorial Hospital in Taiwan with Prof. Kuan Gen Huang.

**Kehinde Okunade** (Nigeria)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the University College of London Hospital Gyn Cancer Center with Dr. Adeola Olaitan.

**Jimmy Panji Wirawan** (Indonesia)
Traveling Scholarship awarded to study at the Kitano Hospital in Japan with Dr. Shingo Fujii.

The next deadline to apply for a Traveling Scholarship has been extended to May 31, 2016. Visit www.igcs.org and click on “Grants & Fellowships” to download the application and learn more about IGCS’s funding opportunities.

**Welcome New IGCS Members**

- Dr. Ediwibowo Ambari (Indonesia)
- Dr. Alessandro Buda (Italy)
- Dr. Endy Cahyono (Indonesia)
- Dr. Stella Capriglione (Italy)
- Dr. Raymond Dusabe (South Africa)
- Dr. Patricia Factor (Philippines)
- Dr. Sara Giovanni (Italy)
- Dr. Ajay Halder (India)
- Dr. T. Mirza Iskandar (Indonesia)
- Dr. Rohini Kulkarni (India)
- Dr. Prerna Lakhwani (India)
- Dr. Kara LongRoche (USA)
- Dr. Salvatore Lopez (Italy)
- Dr. Abhishek Mangeshikar (India)
- Dr. Andrea Miranda (Italy)
- Dr. Ghalleb Montassar (Tunisia)
- Dr. Sarju Mathew (India)
- Dr. Young Jeong Na (USA)
- Dr. Reza Nasrollahi (Iran)
- Dr. Kehinde Okunade (Nigeria)
- Dr. Adeyemi Okunowo (Nigeria)
- Dr. Marc Pierre (Colombia)
- Dr. Roberto Ricciardi (Italy)
- Dr. Shohreh Saeed (Iran)
- Dr. Giuseppe Scaletta (Italy)
- Dr. Tazeem Shaik (India)
- Dr. Omar Touhami (Tunisia)
- Dr. Muhammad Yaznil (Indonesia)
- Dr. Mojgan Karimi Zarchi (Iran)

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## 2016 Shingo Fujii Young Doctors Summit

The 2016 Shingo Fujii Young Doctors Summit (YDS) will take place at the Lisboa Congress Centre on October 28, 2016, one day prior to the opening of the IGCS Biennial Meeting. The summit is targeted to doctors in training for gynecologic, medical, and radiation oncology or those who have recently completed training. This summit is intended to provide early career doctors with the opportunity to network and build professional friendships with their peers from across the globe. Registration is free and attendance is limited to 100 delegates. Attendees must be registered for the 2016 Biennial Meeting.

IGCS will award travel grants for early career members to attend the summit and will begin accepting applications at the end of May. Eligibility, selection criteria and award amounts will be posted on www.igcs.org in the next several weeks and a call for applications will be emailed to IGCS members.

Abstracts will be selected from the IGCS Biennial Meeting submissions for a special poster session and reception. The summit is being organized by Dr. Andreas Obermair (Australia), Dr. Donal Brennan (Ireland) and Dr. Ane G.Z. Erikson (Norway).

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**Scientific Program Highlights:**
- Shingo Fuji Young Doctors Summit
- Interactive Tumour Boards
- Meet the Professor Sessions
- Surgical Video Sessions
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- Plenary Sessions with Top Experts

Abstract Submission Deadline: May 11, 2016
Early Registration Deadline: July 26, 2016