

STATUTES OF SIOP-ASIA

Article 1 : Title : SIOP Asia

Article 2 : Aim

It is the aim of SIOP Asia to improve and disseminate knowledge about the treatment of cancer in childhood and adolescence among Asian countries.

Article 3 : Objectives

The activities of SIOP Asia will be developed in close co-operation with the organization of SIOP International.

1. To hold biannual meetings of SIOP Asia.
2. To participate in the development of Asian guidelines for, and standards of, training and care in pediatric oncology.
3. To promote scientific relations with scientific Societies or Associations in other continents.
4. To work with the regional offices of the World Health Organization to promote nation-wide or continent-wide health care for children with cancer.
5. To develop the aims of SIOP Asia by any other means that SIOP Asia may consider necessary or desirable.

Article 4 : Social seat

The office of the SIOP continental president of Asia shall be the office of the SIOP Asia.

Article 5 : Language

The official language of the SIOP Asia is English.

Article 6 : Membership

1. Any Asian member of SIOP will be a SIOP Asia member.

2. Any non-member of SIOP from Asian countries who wishes to become a SIOP Asia member and whom the board considers is qualified.

Article 7 : Removal

Resignation; death; loss of membership of SIOP.

Article 8 : Resources

SIOP Asia that is not profit making can collect money to support the expenses of activities directed towards its aims, by any legal means authorized by its board.

Article 9 : Board

A board of eight members conducts SIOP Asia, and is chaired by a President. The President is elected by the Asian members of SIOP and will serve on the board for 6 years: 3 years as President, 3 years as Past-President. He/she is not re-eligible. A Secretary General is elected by the Board, and will serve for three years. The Secretary General handles financial affairs in addition, and is not re-eligible. Six of the other members are also elected, one from China, one from India, one from Japan, and three from other Asian countries. These six members will be elected by votes of SIOP Asia members from corresponding countries, and can be re-elected once.

Article 10 : Responsibility of the Board

These include the designation within the board of a Secretary General, and the administration and management of SIOP Asia and particularly :

- the agenda for the meeting of General Assembly
- the execution of decisions taken during the General Assembly
- the budget and financial affairs of SIOP Asia

Article 11 : Meeting of the Board

The board will meet at least once a year after notice is sent by the President or more

frequently at the request of at least three of the board members. Decision will be taken by an absolute majority of the votes of members who are present or represented. In the case of an equal vote, the President shall have a casting vote.

Article 12 : General Assembly

All SIOP Asia members will be eligible to participate in an ordinary or extraordinary general assembly.

Article 13 : Ordinary General Assembly

A general assembly will be held once a year. On each occasion the President will give a report of SIOP Asia, and the Secretary General will give a financial report. Members of the board will be elected if needed.

Article 14 : Extraordinary General Assembly

An extraordinary general assembly will be held at the request of the President or at least half of the board members. Decisions will be taken by a majority of the members who are present and represented.

Article 15 : Internal rules

They may be proposed by the board and must be approved by the general assembly. They will be designed to give directions about items that are not covered by the statutes of the society of SIOP Asia, and to support the internal administrative structure.

Article 16 : Dissolution of SIOP Asia

This can only be decided by the general assembly that would also be expected to designate liquidators.

PS : These statutes were proposed at the constitutive General Assembly of SIOP-Asia in Amsterdam, October 2000. Members approval was obtained at Brisbane.

***Loving someone is: caring, sharing,
bearing, working, changing together.***