

Election Statement

Name : Dr. P. Satishchandra

Post : ILAE Chair Asia Oceania region

I have been nominated by Indian Epilepsy Society (IES) for this prestigious position of ILAE Chair for Asia Oceania region, as I had worked earlier as President of IES and also represented India in the region as member of ASEPA. Through this statement, I request all our CAO chapters for your valuable support for my candidature and seek your votes and give me an opportunity to chair your region and work hard to take this region to greater heights.

I have enclosed my CV, which gives information about my contribution to the field of Epilepsy both with regard to scientific and organization domain. Further, I am pleased to inform you that I was Co-Chair along with Prof. Byung In Lee (South Korea) for the Scientific programme organized during recently concluded 12th AOEC in Bali, Indonesia. I also chaired IBE activity in the same conference along with Prof. Martin Brodie. Currently I am member of the scientific committee for the forthcoming 13th AOEC which was postponed to June 2021 because of pandemic to be held in Fukuoka, Japan.

Recognizing my contribution, I was awarded **First 'Asia Oceania outstanding Achievement' award in 2010** in Melbourne, Australia. Further I also received **"Ambassador for Epilepsy" award by ILAE in Barcelona in 2017**. I can assure all our members of this region that if given an opportunity, I will work hard to meet all your expectations to bring down the 'Treatment gap and 'Surgical treatment gap' that exists among the LAMIC countries of this region. I will also work for training the neurologists in the region in the field of Epilepsy especially from these LAMIC countries to improve the 'standard of epilepsy care' available to the people in the region. I will also focus on needs of 'special population' with epilepsy such as Children, Women and the elderly.

As the whole world is battling COVID pandemic in 2020, this region has its due share in number of countries, people living with epilepsy had double onslaught with Covid infection and socioeconomic crisis. I intend to take the call given by our president of ILAE Dr. Samuel Weibe and support post-covid epilepsy patients in the region.

On behalf of Indian Epilepsy Society and on my own behalf, I seek your franchise and give me an opportunity to work for our region.

'Stay Safe Stay Healthy'

With best regards & best wishes

Dr. P. Satishchandra

Former President, Indian Epilepsy Society (IES)