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Presidential Awardees

African Region



Prof. Nana Araba Apt

Professor Nana Araba Apt was the pioneer scholar on aging in Africa and contributed invaluable to the development of contemporary African gerontology.

Through her university teaching, engagement with governments and NGOs, and emphasis on finding Africa-appropriate solutions to challenges of older populations, Professor Apt inspired not only legions of young researchers and students but also policy makers and planners. She highlighted the importance of linking questions of older populations to development in Africa and posited the centrality of the family as a point

of departure for understanding and forging responses to aging in the region. Through positions on the board of HelpAge International and in countless United Nations expert forums, Professor Apt introduced a focus on aging in Africa to the international community. As a member of the technical committee drafting the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (2002), she ensured that the plan adequately addressed issues pertinent to Africa. At the time of her death, Nana Apt was president of HelpAge Ghana and Emerita Dean of Academic Affairs, Ashesi College, Ghana. Professor Apt's formidable legacy has led her peers to consider her the queen of all that is African gerontology today.

Asia/Oceania Region



Prof. Sutthichai Jitapunkul

Professor Jitapunkul became president-elect of the Asia/Oceania region after running the highly successful regional congress in Chiang Mai in October 2015. He had a major role in the development of geriatrics in Thailand

over many years. Unfortunately, Professor Jitapunkul passed away in January 2016. We wish to nominate him for his enormous contributions to geriatrics in Thailand and the surrounding region, and for his lead role in the highly successful 2015 regional congress.

established the Korean Society of Biomedical Gerontology, the Federation of Korean Gerontological Societies, the Korea-Japan Bilateral Aging Research Exchange Program, the Korea-Japan Aging Study Group, and the Asian Aging Research Forum. Having served as a council member of IAGG and worked on the organizing committee, he played an indispensable role in attracting and organizing the fifth Asia/Oceania Regional Gerontology Conference of IAGG, and the 2013 IAGG World Congress in Seoul.



Prof. Sang Chul Park

Professor Park has contributed a great deal to establishing and promoting many biomedical societies in Korea, serving as president of the Korean Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, the

Korean Society of Molecular and Cellular Biology, the Korean Society of Biomedical Gerontology, the Federation of Korean Gerontological Societies, and the International Association of Biomedical Gerontology, to name a few. He has initiated an aging research program through advising the governmental funding system for biological aging research, centenarian studies, human longitudinal studies, and development of aging research centers. He has



Prof. Yasuyoshi Ouchi

Professor Yasuyoshi Ouchi is a medical doctor and current acting president of the Federation of National Public Service Mutual Aid Associations at Toranomon Hospital. He graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo, and since 1984 he has been Professor of Internal Medicine and Professor and Chair of Geriatric Medicine. From 2006 on, he was the vice president of Tokyo Hospital until he retired in 2013. He served as president of the Japan Geriatrics Society and the Japan Gerontological Society, and as Chair of the Committee of Geriatric Research of the Science Council of Japan. He served as chair of the Asia/Oceania region of IAGG and as a council member of IAGG. He is currently Council Member Emeritus of the Japan Atherosclerosis Society and the Japanese Society of Dementia Research.

Presidential Awardees

European Region



Prof. Dorothy Joan Hardy (Dorly) Deeg

Professor Dorly Deeg was president of the Netherlands Society for Gerontology, an IAGG member society, between 2005 and 2012. Between 2012 and 2015, she was the chair of the Social and Behavioural Sciences section of the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics, European Region. During that time, she organized the International Winterschool for emergent scholars on the topic Valuing Ageing in Amsterdam (February 2014). Her work in the IAGG has been perceived as a role model and has stimulated European scientists to become aware of and active in IAGG—an achievement that should be considered when choosing an awardee for the IAGG Presidential Award.



Prof. Jose Fernando Gomez Montes

Ever since 1996 when he became a council member of IAGG, Professor Gomez Montes has served in such prestigious positions as president of the Colombian Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (1998–2000), on the executive committee of the Colombian Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (2002–2008), and president of COMLAT-IAGG (2007–2011).

North America Region



Paul Glenn

After graduating from college, as an only grandson of aging grandparents, Paul Glenn had set a personal goal to improve the human condition in some significant way, particularly with regard to the human healthspan. In 1965, Glenn founded the Glenn Foundation for Medical Research (GFMR); he went on to serve on the National Advisory Council on Aging. The mission of the GFMR is to extend the healthy years of human life through support of research on mechanisms of biology that govern normal human aging and its related physiological decline, with the objective of translating research into interventions that will extend healthspan with lifespan. The GFMR primarily carries out its mission through a number of programs, providing both grants and support for conferences, workshops, symposia, and other educational opportunities for scientists. The Paul F. Glenn Centers for Biology of Aging Research focus on excellence in basic research in the biology of aging and the extension of the human healthspan. GFMR grant programs include the Glenn Center Award and the Glenn Award. The GFMR also currently funds awards, fellowships, and scholarships administered in cooperation with the American Federation for Aging Research.



Jo Ann Jenkins

As head of AARP since 2014, Jo Ann Jenkins has sponsored groundbreaking work dedicated to enhancing quality of life for all older adults. Under her leadership, AARP's vision was reimaged and redefined, challenging outdated beliefs and sparking insights relevant to today's realities of aging. Jenkins has held a variety of board and advisory positions for such entities as AARP Services, AARP Funds, the Congressional Hunger Center, the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, the U.S. Small Business Administration Council on Underserved Communities, Living Cities, and Caring for Military Families. With expertise in talent and leadership development, organizational restructuring, public affairs, philanthropy, and marketing, she has been recognized as Non-Profit Influencer of the Year (2015) and as one of Washington's Most Influential People (2015, 2016), and has been included in the Non-Profit Times' Power and Influence Top 50 (2013–2016). She has received the Peace Corps Director's Award (2014) and was honored as a Malcolm Baldrige Fellow (2013). Her recent book, *Disrupt Aging: A Bold New Path to Living Your Best Life at Every Age*, confronts stereotypes of aging and discusses how to navigate life over 50 in today's world.

Presidential Awardees



Prof. Norah Keating

As a social gerontologist, Professor Norah Keating's professional life has been devoted to enhancing the quality of life of older adults. Her titles include Professor of Rural Ageing, Swansea University; Co-Director of Research on Aging, Policies and Practice at the University of Alberta; and Extraordinary Professor, North-West University, South Africa. As part of her international research and capacity building activities, she directs the International Association on Gerontology and Geriatrics' Global Social Issues on Ageing. Professor Keating regularly provides evidence to inform social and health policy for both governments and NGOs. Recent consultations include a report on intergenerational relationships for the UK government and meetings with policy staff of South African and New Zealand governments on their age-friendly community programs. She has worked with the Canadian government on its national campaign to reduce loneliness and social exclusion of older adults. Her involvement with the World Health Organization includes membership on the Scientific Working Group, Centre for Health Development, and the Expert Group on Community-Based Initiatives to Support Older People.



JOB TITLE: Assistant/ Associate Professor, Centre for Ageing Research and Education (CARE), Duke NUS Medical School, Singapore.

CARE is recruiting an Assistant/Associate professor to spearhead ageing research in Singapore and the region. The candidate should be able to independently drive research projects and pursue grant applications. The candidate should also possess strong quantitative skills. Experience with implementation and evaluation research is a definite advantage. The ideal candidate should enjoy working in a multidisciplinary environment, seek to establish an innovative, pragmatic research agenda in Singapore and the region, and be able to promote local capacity through mentoring and education in a highly supportive environment. Opportunities exist for diverse collaborations with Singhealth as well as other national health care organizations, programme developers on the ground as well as ageing institutes locally and with universities around the Pacific Rim. This position represents an outstanding opportunity to become a high impact international investigator in ageing and health. Please send any inquiry with a full resume directed to Prof Angelique Chan at the following email: maia@duke-nus.edu.sg.