

## Invitation



As the Chair of the Organizing Committee of the 7th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP), I would like to welcome you to Kobe and to the 7th ICAAP.

Since the postponement of the 7th ICAAP in 2003, we have confronted and overcome a variety of challenges, enabling the Congress to be held this year. I share the delight of all participants that this exciting and informative congress has at last come to fruition. In particular, I am grateful for the participation of so many people from countries that are now suffering the tremendous impact of infectious diseases and the recent massive earthquakes and tsunami. I would like to convey my deep respects to these participants for attending the Congress despite these hardships.

Even as we are struggling to overcome these tragic events, the HIV/AIDS epidemic has accelerated its surge through Asia and the Pacific. According to a report released at the end of 2004 by UNAIDS, the number of PLWHA in Asia and the Pacific reached approximately 8.2 million, a 14.5 % increase from 2002. In the region, the most acute increase in PLWHA was observed in East Asia with a 45% increase from 2002. With this figure, East Asia has surpassed Eastern Europe and Central Asia as the world region of greatest concern in terms of the rapidity of the epidemic's growth. It is clear that, with the ever-increasing demand for prevention, treatment and care, the decisions and actions we take today will have a significant impact on the present and future course of the region. This is the context for the 7th ICAAP, and why it is so vital that we share our wisdom, actively collaborate, and strive to envision a new agenda for the future. This is the aim conveyed by our theme, “Bridging Science and Community.”

The year 2005 is a special milestone in the worldwide struggle against HIV/AIDS. First, it is the year by which the Declaration of Commitment of the UN General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS expects member states to report significant progress in implementing strategies with respect to their national goals. It is also the year when the results of the “Treat 3 Million by 2005” Initiative of WHO/UNAIDS will first be evaluated. We are honored to host the 7th ICAAP in this critical year in the global fight against HIV/AIDS. It is our great privilege to provide a venue for exchange, learning and the building of partnerships among participants from international agencies and organizations as well as from over 90 countries in Asia and the Pacific and as far away as Africa and the Middle East.

For the past three years, the scientists and community workers of the Local Organizing Committee and the members of the International Advisory Committee have demonstrated extraordinary commitment and solidarity in organizing the Congress. We have received precious advice and steadfast support from colleagues, friends, experts, and various organizations from Japan and around the world. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all those involved: without this support, the holding of the 7th ICAAP would not have been possible. I hope that the programs of the Congress reflect the valuable input we received, although I also acknowledge that the nature of the Congress itself set certain limits on our ability to adopt some suggestions. All things considered, however, I believe that the programs are closely aligned with participants' interests, will serve to encourage fruitful dialogue, and shall provide a foundation for activities that can continue on a variety of levels after the Congress has come to an end.

Welcome to Kobe, a city that offers a bridge to the future.



**Tadamitsu Kishimoto**  
Chair, the 7th ICAAP Organizing Committee

## Messages

In some ways this is the most important ICAAP ever held. This region has already seen significant epidemics in some countries, and many of us have lost family, friends and colleagues to the disease. We constantly hear distressing forecasts of a huge growth in infections in countries as far apart as China, India and Papua New Guinea, countries that straddle half the planet. Since we met in Melbourne we have lost some of the pioneers of PLWHA activism in our region, and while every death is important I grieve in particular for three comrades, Suzzana Murni from Indonesia, Jack Singh from Malaysia and Phillip Medcalf from Australia.

Yet we are still in a position to prevent HIV destroying our societies in the ways we are currently seeing in parts of Africa. A concerted move by governments, communities and international donors can both slow the rates of infection dramatically, while providing treatments and hope to those already infected. For this to happen will require governments to recognise that nothing is more vital to the sustainability of their societies than protection from epidemic disease, and that an effective struggle against HIV/AIDS requires the full participation of those who are infected and affected. Rich countries have to scale up their support for HIV prevention and treatment, but even the poorest of countries need reallocate more of their resources to public health and to the underlying measures of increased gender equality and basic services without which programs cannot succeed.

One of the most important reasons for Congresses such as this is to provide safe spaces in which we all come together united in a common commitment to stop the catastrophic spread of the epidemic. At this Congress ASAP will become a regional body with organisational membership from key AIDS advocacy and research institutions across the region, and we hope this will strengthen our ability to ensure the continuation of the regional Congresses, and along with our colleagues in the Seven Sisters to strengthen the voices of civil society from Asia and the Pacific in the global debate on HIV/AIDS.



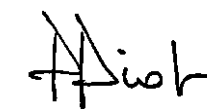
**Dennis Altman**  
President, AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific

The HIV epidemic in Asia and the Pacific is threatening and diverse. There are some countries where the epidemic has already spread widely, others where it is still in its earliest stages. What is clear is that throughout Asia and the Pacific, AIDS is a reality, which needs decisive action in response. While some governments have successfully developed and delivered effective AIDS programs, in others the process is only just beginning.

There is no ‘one size fits all’ in Asia and the Pacific - economies, cultures and religions vary widely. Despite this diversity, we know there are some fundamentals of any effective effort against the epidemic: prevention and care need to work together; wide social responses accompanied by political leadership are absolutely necessary; denial, stigma and discrimination must be confronted; and people living with HIV and the most vulnerable people must be encouraged to be a central part of the response.

The 7th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific is a great opportunity for non-governmental organizations, scientists and policy makers in this region to share their knowledge and experience and turn it into large-scale action. There is already agreement on the need for comprehensive action on AIDS - all the governments of the region have agreed to the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS adopted by the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly in 2001. It includes specific policy goals which were to be met by 2003 and targets for reducing HIV among young people and infants by 2005. National budgets, legal systems, government and international institutions in all sectors, and business and community groups all have an obligation to deliver on these commitments.

I hope that the Congress represents an opportunity to renew our resolve, to broaden our understanding of the multi-faceted scope of HIV and its impacts, and to embrace a common purpose in meeting these challenges.



**Peter Piot**  
Executive Director, Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS  
and Under Secretary-General of the United Nations



## Messages

It is a privilege to offer a few words here at the opening of the Seventh International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific.

Today, UNAIDS and WHO are warning us that the Asia-Pacific region is on the verge of a rapid increase in the number of persons infected with HIV/AIDS patients. Here in Japan, as well, these numbers have been rising faster than usual in the last few years, and this is cause for serious concern.

The holding of this Congress, with the participation of so many from around the region, is thus extremely timely. I have every reason to expect that, as you share knowledge and experience in prevention and treatment from your local contexts, it will serve to increase the capacity of the region as a whole to address the challenge of HIV/AIDS. I also believe that the holding of the Congress here in Japan is of great significance, not only from the perspective of Japan's contribution to the approaches to HIV/AIDS in Asia and the Pacific, but also for its potential to heighten awareness here in Japan.

Japan has been implementing comprehensive measures to overcome HIV/AIDS thus far, based on the Law concerning the Prevention of Infectious Diseases and Medical Care for Patients Suffering Infectious Diseases and also on the Principles in Prevention of Specified Infectious Diseases in Relation to Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome. Currently, we are reviewing these principles, and working to realize an even more mature policy.

Japan is determined to move forward with effective measures against HIV/AIDS, always ensuring the utmost respect for the human rights of persons with HIV/AIDS.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere hope that this Congress will make a major contribution to the efforts, not only of Japan but of all the countries of the Asia-Pacific region, to overcome the many challenges associated with HIV/AIDS.



**Hidehisa Otsuji**  
Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan

I would like to offer my heartfelt congratulations on the convening of the Seventh International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific in Hyogo-Kobe.

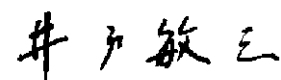
Ten years have passed since the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. Through our efforts towards “creative reconstruction,” we have worked for the establishment of communities that can contribute to the entire globe in fields such as disaster management and health.

From the Kobe New Eastern City Center, where the Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution, the WHO Kobe Centre, and many other international organizations are gathered, technologies and knowledge to lead the 21st century are being communicated from Hyogo to the world.

Through the earthquake, we have learned that the bonds and mutual help within communities should be the basis in community building. Therefore, we have great expectations for this conference, where participants will discuss community-based AIDS measures with the participation of local communities under the theme of “Bridging Science and Community.”

As of the end of 2004, it is estimated that approximately 40 million people are infected with HIV. Rapid expansion of HIV infection is predicted to occur in Asia and the Pacific in the near future. The number of HIV-infected people is increasing in Japan, and there is concern that this disease may further spread among young generations. Given this situation, I believe that actions we take against this epidemic hereafter will have a great impact on the future of Japan and the Asia-Pacific region at large.

It is my most sincere hope that through this five-day event the latest research outcomes as well as information regarding prevention, care, and treatment in each region will be widely shared, and that the network to promote the future efforts against HIV/AIDS will be further enlarged.



**Toshizo Ido**  
Governor, Hyogo Prefecture

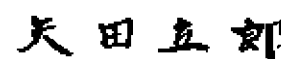
On behalf of the 1.52 million people of Kobe City, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of you who have gathered here from around the Asia-Pacific region for this Congress.

Ten years ago, this beautiful city, which was the pride of all its residents, was shattered in a single moment in the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. In the aftermath of the earthquake, we received heartwarming encouragement and assistance, not only from throughout Japan, but from countries around the world. The city was steadily reconstructed, and has today returned to its original enthusiastic way of life.

Even so, at the end of last year, countless precious lives were lost in the unprecedented disaster of the Indian Ocean tsunami. I would like to take this opportunity to express my profound sympathies for the victims of this tragedy and my sincere condolences to their families.

In Japan today, some observers have pointed out that despite the increasing number of persons with HIV, the level of concern over HIV/AIDS is declining. I believe that, when action is taken with a proper knowledge and understanding of HIV/AIDS, we can prevent infection as well as reduce prejudice against those who are HIV-positive.

It is my hope that today's International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific will provide a venue for lively, meaningful exchanges of opinion, and that the outcome will help to guide the future of HIV/AIDS prevention, impacting not only Asia and the Pacific, but the entire world.



**Tatsuo Yada**  
Mayor, City of Kobe

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### Opening Ceremony

#### Friday, July 1

The Opening Ceremony will begin at 17:00 in Portopia Hall, Portopia Hotel. (Doors open at 16:00)

All registered participants are invited to attend.

### Welcome Reception

#### Friday, July 1

Welcome Reception will take place after the Opening Ceremony at 18:30 in H-001 (B1F), Portopia Hotel.

It will be a great opportunity to meet other participants and prepare yourself for a productive and enjoyable Congress by enjoying its first social event. All registered participants are invited to attend.

### Closing Ceremony

#### Tuesday, July 5

The Closing Ceremony will take place in Portopia Hall, Portopia Hotel after the Rapporteurs Session.

All registered participants are invited to attend.

### Official Meetings

#### Executive Committee Meeting of the AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific (ASAP)

Date: Sunday July 3, 2005

Time: 8:30 - 10:30

Room: C-505

#### ASAP Briefing to All Organisational Members

Date: Sunday July 3, 2005

Time: 11:00 - 12:00

Room: C-505