



The Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Asia (ATCSA)

Past, Present and Future

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31st Congress
Ho Chi Minh City
Vietnam



Articles and By-Laws



Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Asia



CONSTITUTION

Preamble

A meeting of thoracic and cardiovascular surgeons from Asia Pacific region, recognizing that their primary responsibility to discharge for humanity in general, and in connection with their medical profession in particular. Being convinced that the sharing of information and expertise in the scientific and technological fields related to the development of the region can be enhanced by promoting cooperation between surgeons of the specialty practicing in the region.

Article I - Establishment of the Association

Section 1: There is hereby established an organization of thoracic and cardiovascular surgeons of Asia.

Section 2: The name of the organization shall be The Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Asia (ATCSA).

Article II – Objectives

Section 1: To improve the quality and practice of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery as a specialty in the region.

Section 2: To encourage basic and clinical research in the field of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery.

Section 3: To promote the professional development of those surgeons specializing in the field of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery.

Section 4: To organize and hold a regional congress for scientific presentations and discussions every year.

Section 5: To cooperate with other regional and international bodies in scientific and educational programs.

Number of Countries in Asia : **45**

Member Countries : **18**

Australia

Bangladesh

Brunei

China

Hong Kong, China

India

Indonesia

Japan

Korea

Malaysia

Myanmar

Pakistan

Philippines

Saudi Arabia

Singapore

Taiwan, China

Thailand

Vietnam

Administration: Secretariat

1972 – 1992

Manila, Philippines

1st Secretary General

- Dr. Romeo D. Zamora

1993 → Present:

Singapore

2nd Secretary General

- Dr Tong Ming Chuan : 1993 to 2005

3rd & 4th Secretary General

- Dr Eugene Sim : 2005 to 2019

5th Secretary General

- Dr Kenny Sim : 2019 to Present

ATCSA Council : Member Countries nominated 1-2
Council members

Chairman of Congress Organizing Committee → Chairman of ATCSA

: Congress Theme

- * Scientific
 - Pre & Post
 - Presenting Session
 - Free Paper *

* Social

* Industrial Exhibition

How the Hosting Countries were chosen?

- Open competition
- Presentation
- Voting

Number of Countries who have hosted the Congress: 15

Factors considered by the Council Members:

- Capability
- Attractiveness
- Fairness
- Objectives of ATCSA

50th Anniversary 2023

Phase I: Biennial

1st Congress 1972
20th Congress 2010

Manila, Philippines - Dr. Romeo D. Zamora
Beijing, China - Dr. Sheng-Shou Hu

Phase II: Annual

21st Annual Congress 2011
29th Annual Congress 2019

Phuket, Thailand - Dr. Pradistchai Chaiseri
Taipei – Republic of China - Dr. Jang-Ming Lee

Phase III: ?

2020 - 2021
30th Annual Congress (Virtual) 2022
31st Annual Congress 2023

Covid 19
Thailand - Dr. Weerachai Nawarawong
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Dr Do Kim Que

Hosting Country List

Hosting Country	Number of time	Year
Australia	3	1976 - Sydney 1997 - Sydney 2017- Melbourne
Bangladesh	1	2016 - Dhaka
China	1	2010 Beijing
India	2	1989 – Madras 2991 - Mumbai
Indonesia	3	1991- Bali 2007 – Bali 2018 - Yogyakarta
Iraq	1	1978 - Baghdad
Japan	2	1994 – Sapporo 1995 - Toyko
Korea	2	1983 – Seoul 2009 - Seoul

Hosting Country List

Hosting Country	Number of time	Year
Malaysia	2	1993 – Kuala Lumpur 2012 – Kota Kinabalu
Pakistan	1	Lahore – 1999
Philippines	3	1972 – Manila 2005 – Manila 2015 - Cebu
Singapore	2	1997 – Singapore 2013 - Singapore
Thailand	4	1985 – Bangkok 2003 – Bangkok 2011 – Phuket 2022 (Virtual)
Taipei , China	2	1989 – Taipei 2019 - Taipei
Vietnam	2	2014 – Hanoi 2023 – Ho Chi Minh City



**15th Biennial Congress of
Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular
Surgeons of Asia**

6-9 December 2001
The Taj Mahal Hotel, Mumbai, India.



**The 16th Biennial Congress of
Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular
Surgeons of Asia (ATCSA)**

Program & Abstracts Book

November 16-19, 2003. Shangri-la Hotel
Bangkok, Thailand

www.atcsa2010.org



**ATCSA
2010 BEIJING**

The 20th Annual Congress of the Association of
Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Asia
in conjunction with

The 10th Annual Scientific Conference of the Chinese Society
for Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, CMA

"Open Heart, Open Mind"

PROGRAM & ABSTRACTS

October 28-31, 2010
Beijing International Convention Center
Beijing, China

Organized by
Chinese Society for Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery
Chinese Medical Association

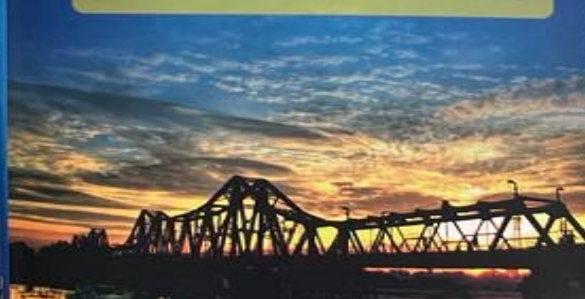


**THE 24th ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF THORACIC AND CARDIOVASCULAR SURGEONS OF ASIA**

One Heart One Asian Team

Hanoi, November 5th - 8th, 2014

ABSTRACT BOOK



**ATCSA
2015**



ATCSA
WORKING TOGETHER BEYOND BORDERS

**25th ANNUAL
CONGRESS**

WORKING TOGETHER BEYOND BORDERS

12 - 15 November 2015
Cebu, Philippines









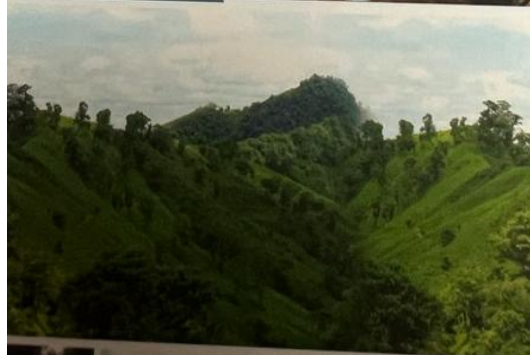






Welcome to Dhaka, Bangladesh 26th ATCSA November 2016

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THE FORT OF SAN PEDRO, DESCRIBED IN AN OFFICIAL REPORT OF 1739, IS TRIANGULAR IN SHAPE AND MADE OF STONE AND MORTAR. THE THREE BASTIONS ARE LA CONCEPCION, SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA, AND SAN MIGUEL-POWDER MAGAZINE.

1939



Achievements :

31 Congresses : 20 Biennial
: 11 Annual

Relevant theme

Scientific Programme

Number of Free Papers : 150 to 250

Registered Participants : 500 to 1000
around 300 CTS

Industry Support & Exhibition : Latest medical technology exhibits
: Instruments
: Financial resources

Social Programme : Cultural understanding
: Enhancing Friendship & Camaraderie

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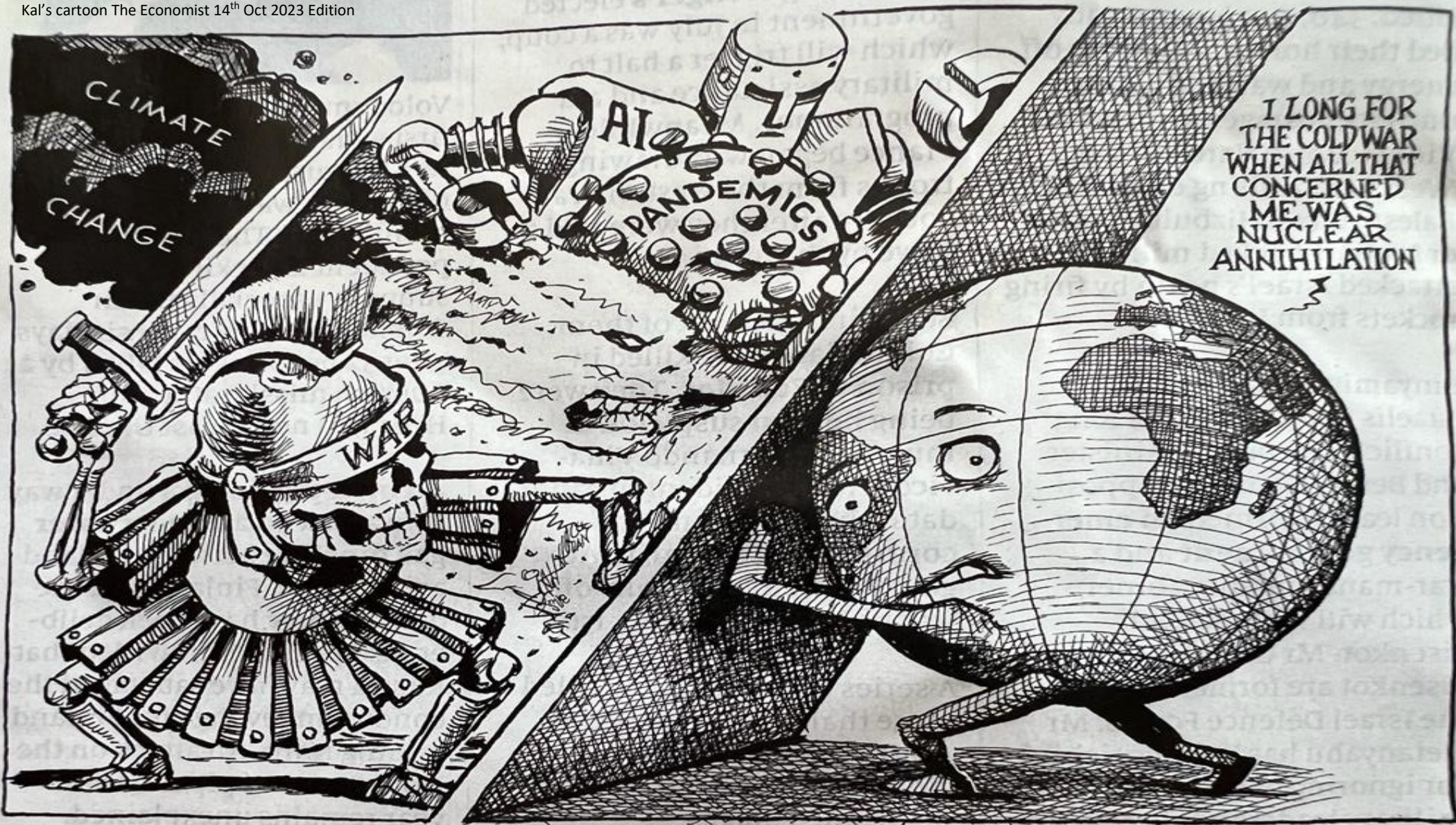
- Political : Social Economics – Stability of the hosting country
- Economic Growth
- Sustainability of high cost services

Present:

Challenges facing Humanity

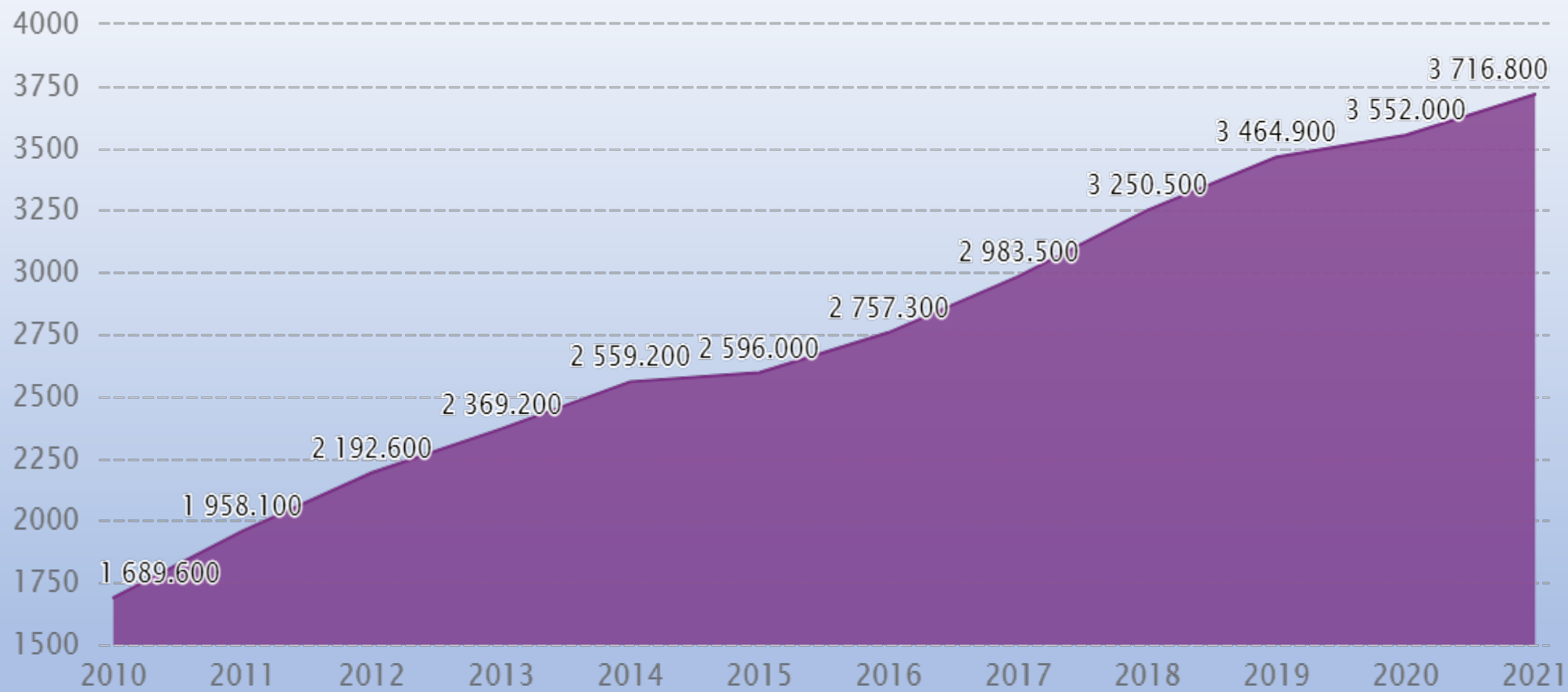
- Climate Change
- Pandemic
- Wars
- Geopolitical tension; changes of world order

Kal's cartoon The Economist 14th Oct 2023 Edition



Future of ATCSA

- Will it stay relevant for another 50 years and longer ?
- Realistic
- Don't lose sight of its objectives, at least continue to organize a successful annual congress.



■ GDP per Capita: USD: Vietnam

Characteristics of CTS

- Like challenges and make every surgery better.
- Life-long learning and innovative
- Adherent to medical ethics
 - Beneficence : do good
 - Non-maleficence : do no harm
 - Respect patient's Autonomy
 - Justice : fair distribution of benefits, risk, costs and resources in our community, always conscious of cost/benefits.

Conclusion

- Brief history of ATCSA
- Changes and new challengers are inevitable.
- Realistic approaches.
- Believe in that passionate and like-minded younger colleagues to take over the baton and ensure a better future.