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*Message from President Elect*

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## The road ahead

Dear fellows members and associated members,

It is a great privilege to be the president elect of HKOA. It is natural to feel a sense of energy and the impulse of change. It is a great opportunity for me to get into the association to work together with all the office bearers and the council members for the association. I will ensure my next two years of the understudy will prepare me well to work in the future. It is a commitment received with solemn excitement and apprehension associated with its implicit responsibility.

Orthopaedics has developed very rapidly with many new procedures, implants, technologies. These are advancing at a pace that it is impossible for any one to catch up. Sub-specialisation for excellence is becoming an inevitable and the ultimate change. The acquisition of many new knowledge means that a continuous update or education process is required. Symposiums, Workshops and clinical attachments to specialist units have become an important part of orthopaedic training and education. HKOA had been the

platform for educational sharing ever since its early inceptions. The pursuit of academic excellence and education of its members has always been its most important role of the association. The annual congress is the most important event of our Orthopaedic calendar where every fellow and members participate actively and passively. This is something that we must treasure. We have to be aware of the progressive sub-specialisation would lead to a gradual segregation of our members. There is a great purity in the pursuit of excellence in services or academic achievements. When this is linked up with sub-specialisation, it causes dissociation. We have to be aware of this double edge sword that it could make change and it could also cause great problems of isolation among sub-specialities. We have to constantly remind ourselves the importance of the Association as a platform for sharing, meeting and developing friendship. A balanced and multi-facet development would enrich the Association and ensures its long term sustainability. This could only come with an all-round mutual respect of all the members and their works.

The road ahead is an ever increasing demand from customers of better services with smaller wounds, better fixation..... The challenges that are facing us all would always be new. One thing that we could keep us together is to offer our good will and mutual respect and be an active member of the association.

I wish you all a Happy Easter Holiday and meet you at the next HKOA functions!

Association News & Notice

Local Meetings & Conferences

International Meetings

**New Issue of JOTR is available online!**

Please click to the following link to view the latest issue of Journal of Orthopaedics, Trauma and Rehabilitation: June 2013 (Volume 17, Issue 1): [http://ejotr.org/current\\_issue.aspx](http://ejotr.org/current_issue.aspx)

**New website of Public Information Service (PIC)**

The PIC of Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons has been relocated to the following address: <http://www.orthoinfo-hkcos.org>

**New Look of HKOA website**

Check <http://hkoa.org> for the latest news and updates of our association.

**The 10th Hong Kong International Orthopaedic Forum**

This forum is organized by the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, University of Hong Kong. The theme is Straightening the Crooked. The date is from 20 to 21st April 2013. [Further info.](#)

**Global Spine Congress 2013**

4-6 April 2013 [Official web site](#)

**86th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Orthopaedic Association:**

23-26 May 2013 [www.joa.or.jp](http://www.joa.or.jp)

**5th International Orthopaedic Trauma Forum Summit 第五届国际创伤骨科高峰论坛, Guangzhou**

6-7 April 2013  
Web site: <http://www.otfcn.com/>

**7th World Congress of International Society of Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine, Beijing**

16-20 June 2013  
<http://www.isprm2013.org/>

**Annual Scientific Congress of British Orthopaedic Association**

1-4 October 2013 [www.boa.ac.uk](http://www.boa.ac.uk)

**ASEAN Arthroscopy and Sports  
Medicine Congress 2013, Kuala  
Lumpur, Malaysia**  
6-9 November 2013  
[Link](#)



More meetings information can be found in Orthopaedic Calander from HKCOS: <http://www.hkcos.org.hk/calendar/index.aspx>

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