

SPECIAL SYMPOSIUM: INTRODUCTION

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Health for all through ethical, independent and transparent science

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VISION STATEMENT

We strive to bring clarity to the science of epidemiology, paving the way to rational evidence-based policy. We work to promote and protect public health by serving as an ethical and effective counterweight to the misuse of epidemiologic evidence

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FIVE SPEAKERS AND THEIR AFFILIATIONS (1 OF 3)

#1: Stanley H. Weiss

Past-Chair of the IJPC-SE (2010-2014); Professor of Medicine at the Rutgers New Jersey Medical School; and Professor of Epidemiology at the Rutgers School of Public Health, New Jersey, USA.

#2: Shailesh Advani

A physician-trained in India, he is currently a doctoral candidate at the University of Texas, School of Public Health. His dissertation is in the area of cancer epidemiology. He will describe the methods used to scope the problem of Conflict-of-Interest and Disclosure (COI&D) for epidemiologists as an anchor for the anticipated Position Statement on COI&D

FIVE SPEAKERS AND THEIR AFFILIATIONS (2 OF 3)

#3: Fiona Sim

Chair of the Royal Society for Public Health in the United Kingdom. She is also joint Editor-in-Chief, Public Health; a senior clinical adviser, National Health Service England; family physician; honorary senior lecturer, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; and visiting professor at the University of Bedfordshire.

FIVE SPEAKERS AND THEIR AFFILIATIONS (3 OF 3)

#4: Kathleen Ruff

Senior human rights adviser, Rideau Institute, Ottawa; founder & director, RightOnCanada.ca; founder & joint coordinator, Rotterdam Convention Alliance. Expert Adviser on Human Rights and Ethics to the IJPC-SE Executive Committee and Chair

#5: Colin L. Soskolne

Immediate Past-Chair of the IJPC-SE (2014-2016). He is Professor emeritus, University of Alberta, Canada, and Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Health, University of Canberra, Australia. He chairs the IJPC-SE Working Group on Conflict-of-Interest and Disclosure

TOPICS

Stanley H. Weiss:

Rationale for and accomplishments of the IJPC-SE: 10th anniversary review

Shailesh Advani:

Methods applied in conducting a comprehensive, systematic search of the literature on Conflict-of-Interest and Disclosure

Fiona Sim:

Approaches to addressing issues of Conflict-of-Interest and Disclosure in the United Kingdom

Kathleen Ruff:

Canadian universities' continuing failure to address Industry influence and undisclosed conflicting interests: the example of asbestos

Colin L. Soskolne:

Developing the 2016 IJPC-SE Position Statement on Conflict-of-Interest and Disclosure

PANEL DISCUSSION WITH QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE (25 MINUTES)

Moderator:

Stanley H. Weiss



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- 1. Gain knowledge of IJPC-SE accomplishments over the past 10 years and future directions**
- 2. Discuss CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST AND DISCLOSURE issues → current major focus**
- 3. Appreciate the need for philanthropy if the IJPC-SE is to be sustainable and independent in perpetuity**

CONCLUDING GOALS

- 1. Seek volunteers for the *Development Committee* with real-world experience and links to potential donors**
- 2. Reaffirm and commit to the ongoing role of the IJPC-SE as a consortium of epidemiology societies**

OUR FIRST SPEAKER

Dr. Stanley H. Weiss