



IAPB Highlights 2013

IAPB is an alliance of civil society organisations, corporates and professional bodies promoting eye health through advocacy, knowledge and partnerships



PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

My first year as IAPB President has seen some landmark achievements due to the outstanding work of member organisations, key individuals and IAPB staff.



The key development in 2013 was the World Health Assembly's adoption of "Universal Eye Health – A Global Action Plan 2014-2019".

I thank again all those who were associated with this outstanding achievement. The

Global Action Plan provides a great opportunity – and imposes a heavy responsibility on us all.

It is now our task to deliver the Action Plan at the country level so that the lives of people threatened with avoidable visual impairment are bettered effectively and efficiently. It is both an exciting and daunting challenge, but it's also a call to reaffirm our commitment to this issue.

This year, we also developed our new five-year strategy – the IAPB Strategic Framework 2013-2017. The final document reflects the fact that IAPB is an alliance which works best when it facilitates what members can do and adds value to their efforts. During 2014 there will be several opportunities to build on the basic ideas set out in the strategy: more emphasis on shared learning; collective procurement; and shared advocacy focus around events such as World Sight Day.

In all effective organisations, structure follows function. Therefore, having established our

strategic priorities, in the course of next year we will also be collectively reviewing our membership and governance structures to ensure they are suited to deliver our aims.

Personally, the strategic review process enabled me to fully appreciate the variety of aspirations among the membership, as well as the wealth of knowledge and expertise available. This experience certainly reinforces my belief that much of our collective strength derives from our diversity. The new strategy is truly one of and by members. I hope it will become a key reference document as you all go about developing your organisational work plans for the coming years.

This is an exciting time to be part of our global alliance. The New Global Action Plan provides us with key targets to build on the considerable successes of VISION 2020. At the same time, the post 2015 development discussions offer us opportunities to engage with broader disability and health networks. Using our new strategic framework we now have to work together to ensure these opportunities are leveraged to deliver eye health to those most in need. No small task, but one I am confident, together, we are capable of.

Bob McMullan
IAPB President



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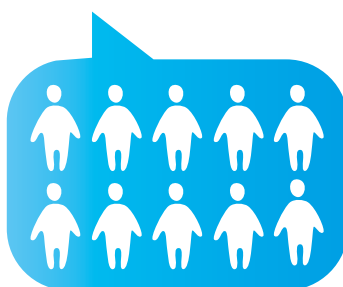
2013 FACTS & FIGURES

MEMBERSHIP

127 MEMBERS



10
NEW MEMBERS



20
EYE HEALTH
LEADERS
CELEBRATED



128
RESPONSES
TO STRATEGIC
CONSULTATION

ADVOCACY

33

COUNTRIES LED
ADOPTION OF
GLOBAL ACTION PLAN



300+

WORLD SIGHT DAY (WSD)
EVENTS GLOBALLY

10,000+

WSD MENTIONS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

KNOWLEDGE

100,000+
WEBSITE HITS



12 VISION 2020
WORKSHOPS



IAPB IN 2013 – AN OVERVIEW

IAPB's role is to maximise the impact of its members in three key areas: being a united voice in advocacy; facilitating the exchange of and access to information and learning; cultivating partnerships to help achieve our goals.



WHO Executive Board endorses draft Action Plan on 'Universal Eye Health'

IAPB submits Post-2015 Development asks through the Vision Alliance, in collaboration with WBU and ICEVI

IAPB South East Asia meeting agrees focus on Indonesia, Myanmar & Bangladesh

JANUARY 2013

IAPB Eastern Mediterranean establishes Trachoma Control Alliance in the region

Seeing is Believing (SiB) launches call for 8 new country projects

MARCH 2013

World Health Assembly unanimously adopts 'Universal Eye Health – A Global Action Plan 2014-2019'

US\$3M fund to support innovation announced by Seeing is Believing

ROP course in Georgia starts IAPB Europe ROP programme

MAY 2013

FEBRUARY 2013

IAPB Europe meeting agrees on regional priority diseases, retinopathy of prematurity (ROP) and diabetic retinopathy (DR)

APRIL 2013

IAPB forges closer advocacy links with ageing-focused groups at meeting in Spain

IAPB supports regional meeting in Ecuador bringing together 16 Latin American countries to update regional plan for eye health

JUNE 2013

22 country projects share learning at SiB workshop in Kuala Lumpur

SiB launches Child Eye Health project in China with a consortium of 5 organisations



- ADVOCACY
- PARTNERSHIPS
- KNOWLEDGE
- MEMBERSHIP



IAPB Africa sets roadmap to tackle regional gap in eye health work force at meeting in Kenya

60+ delegates from government and NGOs attend China's National Forum on Blindness Prevention

IAPB Western Pacific co-host stakeholder meeting to tackle trachoma and DR in Pacific Islands

IAPB publishes Guide and Toolkit on Advocacy for Eye Health

JULY 2013

IAPB attends key UN Post-2015 meetings in New York

Eye health and diabetes groups come together at first meeting of the IAPB DR Work Group

IAPB launches new pro bono legal service for members in partnership with Thomson Reuters Foundation

IAPB Council of Members meeting in the UK attracts 150 delegates from 70 organisations

SEPTEMBER 2013



New ZEISS supported IAPB centre of excellence opens in Paraguay for training, diagnosis and treatment

IAPB Eastern Mediterranean announces plans to collate data on eye health human resources across the region

NOVEMBER 2013

AUGUST 2013

Global Burden of Disease survey shows marked reduction in the global prevalence of blindness and visual impairment over the past 20 years



OCTOBER 2013

World Sight Day marked across the globe with the launch of the IAPB Report on Universal Eye Health, supported by Alcon and OGS

The Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust and Standard Chartered partner to tackle blinding trachoma and ROP

WHO Western Pacific agrees regional action plan on Universal Eye Health

DECEMBER 2013

Joint WHO / IAPB Africa regional work-plan alignment workshop held in Congo

European Elections Manifesto developed by the European Coalition for Vision; a lobbying group founded by IAPB

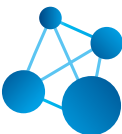
GOING FORWARD – 2014 ADVOCACY PRIORITIES


UNIVERSAL EYE HEALTH: A GLOBAL ACTION PLAN 2014-2019


REDUCTION IN PREVALENCE OF AVOIDABLE VISUAL IMPAIRMENT BY 25%
GLOBALLY BY 2019 FROM THE BASELINE OF 2010

NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS TO PUT IN PLACE:

 ➔ Comprehensive eye care services covering the range of causes of vision impairment, from promotion and prevention to rehabilitation and care

 ➔ Eye health integrated into national health systems


 ➔ Access for everyone, including the poor, minorities, indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities and those in rural areas

 ➔ Point-of-care payment should not prevent access and should be free for the poorest

POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

THE NEW DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PROVIDES AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT
IN WHICH TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS OF THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND UNIVERSAL
EYE HEALTH

 ➔ Disability-inclusive development – disability as a cross-cutting theme in all development areas, with disability-specific targets and indicators

 ➔ Universal health coverage – ensure that all people obtain the health services they need without suffering financial hardship when paying for them



**UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE IS THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION
OF FAIRNESS**

Dr. Margaret Chan, WHO Director General

WORKING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE CHANGE

GET INVOLVED



COORDINATED LOCAL ADVOCACY:

Connect with your [IAPB region](#) and other members to align messages and work together to promote national plans for eye health



WORLD SIGHT DAY:

Celebrate the [annual day of awareness](#) to promote and advocate support for universal eye health



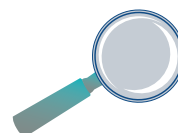
VISION 2020 WORKSHOPS:

Help support national prevention of blindness committees and coordinators through regional and national [VISION 2020 workshops](#)



COUNCIL OF MEMBERS:

Share your successes and learn from peers at the [key annual gathering](#) for NGOs in eye health



GENERATING EVIDENCE:

Identify and support countries that need to conduct prevalence surveys and eye care service assessments



IAPB WEBSITE:

Help create a sharing platform and knowledge bank for the whole sector. [Have your say!](#)



IAPB STANDARD LIST:

Use and promote the [IAPB Standard List](#) to support efficient eye care procurement processes in your country

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