

## IARU Presidents' Hotline – Program

### Zoom Meeting ID, Dates and Time

**Zoom Meeting ID:** 949 0011 9395

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### **Group 1 (for Asia and PST time zones)**

National University of Singapore	08:30-09:30, 2 June (Tue.), 2020
Peking University	08:30-09:30, 2 June (Tue.), 2020
University of California, Berkeley	17:30-18:30, 1 June (Mon.), 2020
The University of Tokyo	09:30-10:30, 2 June (Tue.), 2020

### **Group 2 (for Africa and Europe time zones)**

University of Cambridge	14:00-15:00, 2 June (Tue.), 2020
University of Cape Town	15:00-16:00, 2 June (Tue.), 2020
University of Copenhagen	15:00-16:00, 2 June (Tue.), 2020
The University of Tokyo	22:00-23:00, 2 June (Tue.), 2020

### **Group 3 (for Oceania and Europe, and EST time zones)**

Australian National University	23:00-24:00, 5 June (Fri.), 2020
ETH Zürich	15:00-16:00, 5 June (Fri.), 2020
University of Oxford	14:00-15:00, 5 June (Fri.), 2020
Yale University	09:00-10:00, 5 June (Fri.), 2020
The University of Tokyo	22:00-23:00, 5 June (Fri.), 2020

### **[Note]**

**The meetings will be recorded to create the meeting minutes afterwards. The recordings will not be used for other purposes.**

## Agenda

COVID-19 demonstrates how globally connected our activities and socio-economic systems have become. Such global challenges cannot be solved by actions that only aim to securing interests of particular regions. Global society must work together; the role of universities as a platform of collaboration is becoming ever more important.

On the other hand, COVID-19 brought about a situation where many universities had to strictly limit interaction on campus. We learned that online communication technologies can provide us with new learning and networking opportunities. In the longer term, this situation poses a question on how we conduct research, education and international collaboration, which are the core values of research universities. Furthermore, it may pose a challenge on the fundamental structure of the universities, including how we attract excellent students and scholars, how we relate to the local and global community, and how we finance ourselves.

This IARU Presidents' Hotline is an attempt to provide IARU Presidents an online venue to share pressing challenges and good practices of each university in the era of the COVID-19. It also aims to facilitate a dialogue to exchange ideas on how to fully utilize the IARU network to serve the needs of each member universities and contribute to creating a better future for all.

### **Session 1: Regional Round-up (up to 5 min. for each university)**

We would appreciate if you could share institutional responses to COVID-19, along with key challenges that remain to be answered. Some of the key questions would be as follows.

- Did COVID-19 bring about a significant turn-around in the university's management strategy?
- How can we effectively pursue knowledge exchange in a world with greater restrictions to travel opportunities? How do we cultivate, maintain and develop international networks?
- As more governments decide to relax lockdown measures, what would be the key challenges regarding the re-opening of the university campuses? What would the "new normal" be like?

### **Session 2: Discussion- Role of IARU universities in the corona/post-corona era (30 min.)**

Based on the points raised in the regional round-up, we would like to hear your views on the role that IARU can play in meeting the challenges due to the novel coronavirus which is expected to last for some time as well as in the post-coronavirus world. Some of the key questions would be as follows.

- Would online education experiences provide new opportunities of joint education among universities? Can we take advantage of the IARU network to facilitate such activities?
- How can IARU universities contribute to the global public, building on the fruits of our activities?
- Would Presidents' Hotline be useful in shaping the strategy of each member universities? If so, should it be held more often? How can we, as a group, make use of the fruits of the discussions? Are there any possible ways of presenting our ideas and activities to the public?

## **Wrap-up**

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