

## **Alliance of Academic Health Centers International Announces Transition of Southeast Asia Regional Office**

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 1, 2023 – The Alliance of Academic Health Centers International (AAHCI) is pleased to announce the transition of the Southeast Asia (SEA) Regional Office from the [Universitas Indonesia, Faculty of Medicine](#) (FKUI) in Indonesia to the [Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya](#) in Malaysia.

"FKUI provided outstanding dedication and support in its role as the host of the AAHCI SEA Regional Office during the past several years," said AAHCI Executive Director Steven L. Kanter, MD. "I am especially grateful for the exceptional leadership of Regional Ambassador Ari Fahrial Syam, MD, MMB, PhD, FINASIM, FACP; and Budi Iman Santoso, MD, SpOG(K). Their work led to in-depth programming and meetings that provided important information and critical support for the academic health community in the Southeast Asia region and globally."

The transition of the AAHCI Southeast Asia office to the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya is effective on July 1, 2023.

"We are deeply honored to be appointed as the host of AAHCI Southeast Asia Regional Office," said April Camilla Roslani, MSurg, MBBCh, FAMM, FRCS dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya. "This collaboration provides us with a unique opportunity to strengthen academic health partnerships across the region, drive innovation, and significantly improve health outcomes for communities in Southeast Asia."

"AAHCI looks forward to working with the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya as the newly appointed SEA Regional Office host," added Kanter. "I know that the transition will be smooth, and I am confident that we will continue the tradition of excellence that supports and amplifies the voice of academic health centers in the region."

The transition of this office, along with the continued work of [all AAHCI Regional Offices](#), is central to AAHCI and provides:

- Customized region-specific initiatives and tailored programs;
- Facilitated regional networking opportunities, educational programs, exchange of best practices, data collection and analysis, and community/regional relationships; and
- A deeper understanding of the critical value of academic health centers for governments, industry, and the public.

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