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Getting to know your **ASP Executive Officers and Service Directors**

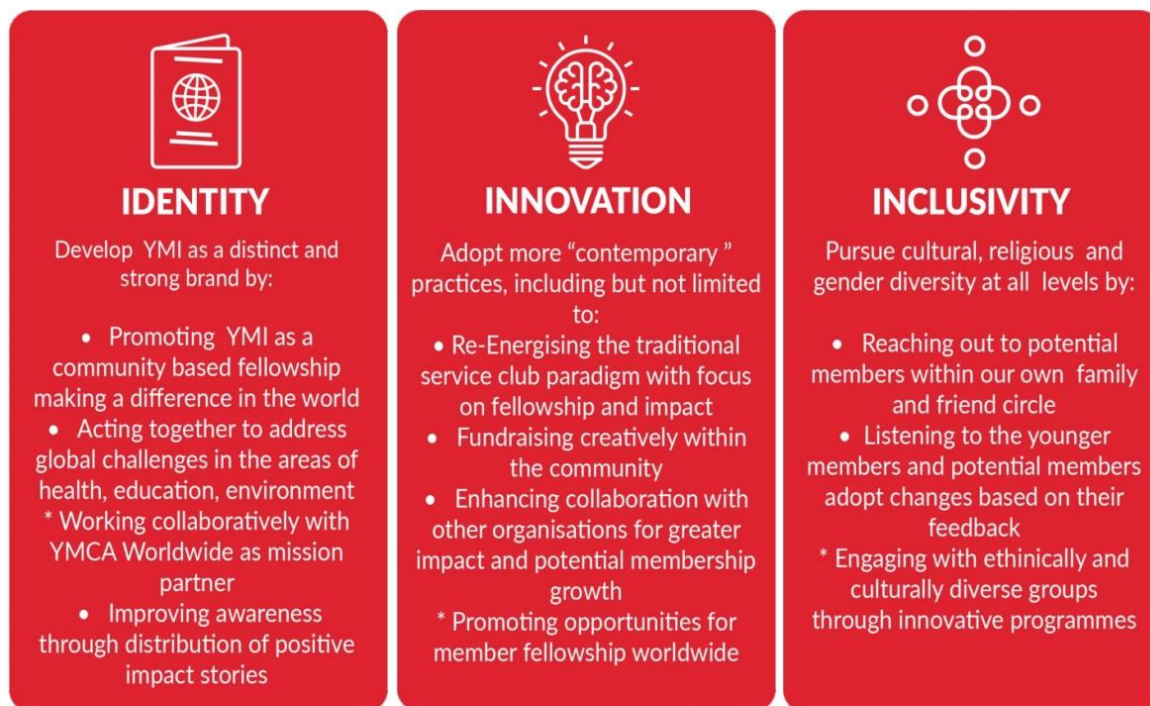
**Asia Pacific Area News**  
Goals, Targets, Calendar of Events

**RD Reports**  
Japan, Taiwan, Philippines

**International News**  
YMI IHQ Report, Events Calendar



The approved ten year objective is to become an international organization eminent in fellowship and community impact primarily by strengthening our **IDENTITY** and becoming more **INNOVATIVE** and **INCLUSIVE**.





## AP Message

Dear ASP Area Friends,

I am very pleased to be able to reach out to you via this e-bulletin, led by ASD Paul Lim and his team members. My appreciation to him and all his team members for their wonderful work with the current bulletin publication. As published at IP NEWS August 2022 issue, current IP Dr K. C. Samuel and I were installed as YMI International President and ASP Area President respectively for 2022/23 in Aarhus, Denmark. I joined YMI in 1991 and my home club is Y's Men's Club of Taipei Downtown.

It is my pleasure to work together with you. Let's move forward to YMI 100 years of celebration in Taipei Taiwan at the Grand Hyatt hotel from Nov. 15-17, 2022, where we can also share a grand fellowship.

Being an AP for 2022/23, my theme is Elegantly Change With New Era and my Slogan is Doing It Right Now. I hope we can make the changes in a way that we can innovatively pursue the targets we initially set up and action them swiftly.

In my term, I would like our regional directors and our ASDs to be deemed as an ALLIANCE of fellows



working together collaboratively. We will be working in cooperation with IP Dr K. C. Samuel's goals and targets on the contribution service and membership with a minimum of 20% upwards growth.

Thank you.

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charming Shen".

Charming Shen  
Area President

## IPAP Message

Dear ASP Area Friends,

It has been a treasured time in my Y's life to meet and work with you – members of ASP (Asia Pacific Area) – as International Council Member (ICM) for two years and your Area President (AP) for one year. Even though we rarely met face to face, we surely will feel very much like old friends if we meet in person in the coming days.

Now at ASP, we are all celebrating the 100th Anniversary of YMI, with one united heart and we are beginning to take action for the next 100 years.



With the spirit of “Think Globally, Act Locally”, let us work together to enrich our club life and to create a better world.

Thank you for another year of working together as your Immediate PastAP.

Kind Regards,

大野 勉

Tsutomu “Ben” Ohno  
Immediate Past Area President



**APE Message**

Dear ASP Area Family members:

Congratulations on the publication of the first ASP Area Bulletin of this year. The Area Bulletin is a great tool to unify and strengthen the Area. It is a valuable source of information. Reading the Bulletin allows us to share our activities and their results, and the contents inspire us for future activities.

I commend ASD-BE/PRD Paul Lim for his outstanding leadership, enthusiasm and expertise in accomplishing an excellent Bulletin.



I sincerely hope that the ASP Area Family members will read the Bulletin and actively contribute information, articles and photos to make the Bulletin even more attractive.

So, everyone, happy reading!

Y'sly Yours,

Keiko Tonegawa  
Area President-Elect

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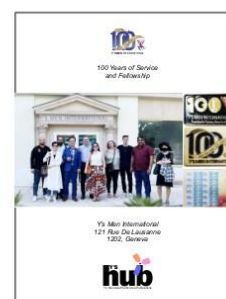
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### ON THE COVER

The nexus of Y's ideas and information in Asia.



### ON THE BACK

Our new International headquarters in Geneva.



## Editorial

## Editor's Note:

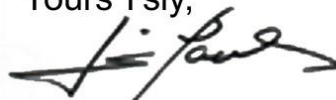
The Asia Pacific Area (ASP) consists of 15 countries and is still growing. Our BE Team envisions to encourage more participation from Y's Men from all countries within our Area, and hopes that this can be your platform to share articles that will inspire other Y's Men or motivate them to invite new young members to join. If you have something to share, please contact your BE Team. Our publication will be on a bi-monthly basis.

In this maiden issue of Y's Hub, we introduce to you our Area Executive

Officers with their plans & goals, Area Service Directors, Regional Directors and Committee's reports, Y's Men International News and Area News to help us understand the Y's Movement.

Thank you for the hardworking members of our BE Team & advisers for the timely release of this August 2022 issue, and to all Y's members who contributed.

Yours Ysly,



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## Asia Pacific Area News

### AP Plans & Goals

1. Theme & Slogan: "Elegantly Change with New Era" & "Do It Right Now".
2. To evaluate & achieve 10-20% annual membership growth ratio.
3. To have regular meetings and training that are concise and targeted.
4. To maximize meetings and activities to promote YMI services at all levels.
5. To follow IHQ 10 years plan of "2032 Strategy" for the policy & guidance.
6. To improve influence to community and public through various community activities planning.
7. To promote IBC ties in the Area and between regions.
8. To support IYC event in Chiang Mai with subsidy for leadership.

training.

09. To encourage RDs to challenge their goals & targets and exchanging mutual communications.

10. To break through the existing YMI membership up to 30,000 members.

11. To promote HARMONY as a priority and streamlining conflict resolution procedure.

12. To foster new leadership for the next 100 Years.

13. To bring more detail and transparency into Area Accounting.

### IPAP Plans & Goals

1. To utilize my past two years' experience as a member of Area Executive Officers (AEOs) to support Area President and to ensure the goals of the AP are achieved.

2. To continue to work to ensure the smooth running of the Zoom





## Asia Pacific Area News

### AP/IP'S GOALS AND TARGETS FOR 2022/23 PROGRAM CONTRIBUTION.

Fund/ Region		AUS	JER	JWR	PHR	SEA	S.LANKA	TWN	TOTAL
ASF	IP 2022/23								5,000
	AP 2022/23	1,050	1,000	1,480	150	400	100	750	4,930
BF	IP 2022/23								40,000
	AP 2022/23	1,000	10,000	17,000	400	1,400	200	12,000	42,000
EF	IP 2022/23								13,000
	AP 2022/23	1,000	1,500	1,800	3,000	1,500	100	5,000	13,900
RBM	IP 2022/23								30,000
	AP 2022/23	1,500	4,500	9,000	500	1,000	100	15,000	31,600
TOF	IP 2022/23								50,000
	AP 2022/23	2,000	10,000	17,000	300	2,500	200	3,000	35,000
Honorary Membership	IP/AP 2022/23	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	11/11
Extension	IP/AP 2022/23	+1	+4	+2	+4	+3		2	10/10
Membership	IP/AP 2022/23								4,500
	RD 2022/23	160	900	1,600	200	650	100	600	4,210

meetings that are needed in this term.

3. To devise the use of cookbooks and songbooks to revitalize the Asia Pacific Area (ASP).

4. To work together utilizing the diverse characteristics of each country while cooperating and bonding as friends.

### APE Plans & Goals

1. To assist AP in achieving his plans and goals, I will:

- Work closely with the other Area Executive Officers (AEO's).

- Monitor, encourage, guide, and lead RD's and ASD's in their performance.

2. To identify challenges in the ASP Area and be ready for the 2023-24 year, I will:

- List down the challenges in the Area after six months of monitoring the performance of the RDs and ASD's.

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- List down ASD candidates to seek effective measures for the challenges to strengthen the Area.
- Discuss the challenges with the current AEO's to maintain the continuity of the Area Administration.

### Area Secretary Plans & Goals

This is my second year serving as an Area Secretary. One of my roles is coordinating meetings smoothly and ensuring close contact with ASP Area family members.

Goals and Targets;

- To keep in touch with each Area Council member in their respective position and maintain the mutual relationship.
- To support AP, RD's, ASD's and other leaders, and assist them in implementing each policy and goal.
- To see the training and fellowship thriving in Area where various countries, cultures, and languages

coexist.

I hope many of you will take an interest and participate in our activities. Let's have fun together.

### Area Treasurer Plans & Goals

1. To work closely with Area President to achieve the ASP Area targets.
2. To present the operating budget (Income and Operating Expenditures) for 2022-2023.

### ASP Area Provisional Calendar

#### ASD Training:

Date: July 30, 2022 ( 90min by ZOOM) coordinated by ASD-LTOD Rita, Including get-to-know each other

#### Area Council Meeting (ACM) 1:

Date: August 27, 2022 by ZOOM & will start at 2:00 pm ( Taiwan time)





## Asia Pacific Area News

### EMC Session:

Date: September 23, 2022 at 6:30pm (Taiwan time)

### YMI Centenary Celebration:

November 15-17, 2022 Taipei, Taiwan

### Area Council Meeting (ACM) 2:

Date: November 17, 2022 Face-to-

Face in Taipei, Taiwan

### Mid-Year Meeting (MYM)(ACM) 3:

Date: February 25, 2023 by ZOOM and will start at 2:00 pm (Taiwan time)

### Area Council Meeting (ACM) 4:

Date: June 24, 2023 by ZOOM and will start at 2:00 pm (Taiwan time)

## Moments in Aarhus, Denmark ...

The 51st International Council Meeting (ICM 2022) was held in Aarhus, Denmark in parallel with the 20th YMCA World Council (July 3-9, 2022).

On July 05, 2022 Dr. K. C. Samuel (India) was installed as (YMI) International President, followed by



## AP & ICM Installation.

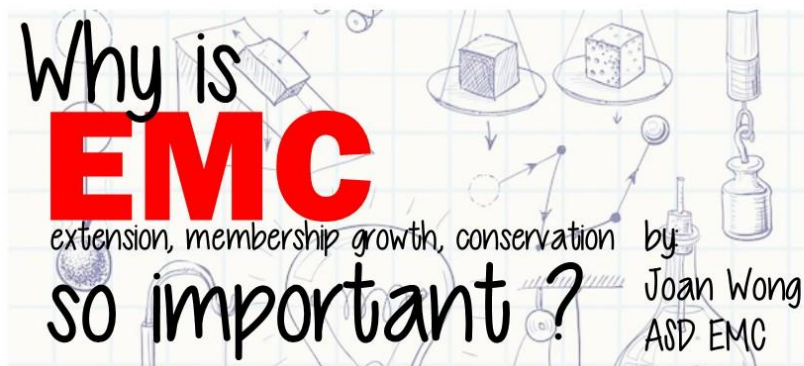


ASP AP Charming gave an update on the International Centenary Celebration in Taiwan at Aarhus, Denmark



ICM/AP Chi-Ming Shen (Charming) Taiwan, ICM/APE Keiko Tonegawa Japan East & James Olle at YMI Booth in Aarhus, Denmark

## Service Director Report



EMC is very important and a priority of our organization with the goal of vision 2022 and beyond.

Challenge 22 is an operational plan with which all regions should implement. Strategies like the following must be worked out and implemented by all concerned:

### YMI Challenge



**YMI Achieves 100% Growth by 2024.**

**Extension** – An organization never stands still. It either declines or grows. Keeping this in mind, there should be a continuous emphasis on chartering new clubs either in local or overseas.

One of YMI **Towards 22's** goals includes extending clubs to 100

countries. Currently Y's Men is present in around 76 countries, but there are YMCA's in 110 countries, thus there is great potential for expansion. To facilitate club extension, Extension Beyond



YMC Chiangmai, Thailand & YSC Silver State, Malaysia sponsor clubs of YMC Malang, Indonesia in March 2022.



YMC Chiangmai & Bangkok from Thailand & YMC Island East & YSC New Tsuen Wan from Hong Kong supported a new club, YSC Rampur Palpa, Nepal in April 2022





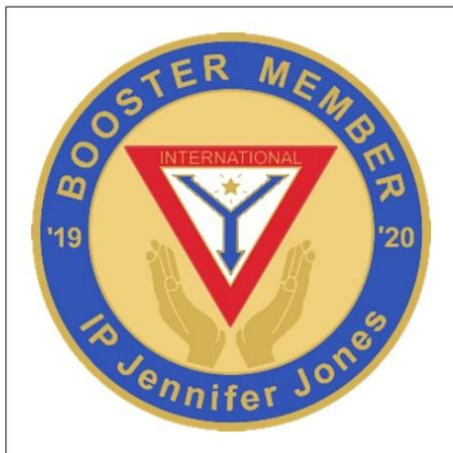
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Borders Award (EBBA) was established in 2015 to encourage club chartering.

**Membership Growth** - New members are not only vital to survival of your club but is also a key to the healthy development of Y's Men International (YMI) as a whole. Our clubs are facing an aging problem, therefore, a club should be aware of its own strategies for achieving membership targets. Remember that new members bring fresh ideas and potential future leadership. Dynamic recruitment is highly encouraged.

### International Recognition for Membership Growth

**Booster Awards** are given to individual club members recruiting



YMI Booster Award

more than 3 members and to clubs with a total of or more than 6 members increase.

**Conservation** – How to run a club well is how to keep retention well. A club should bear in mind always the building of a harmonious atmosphere, promoting warm fellowships and cultivating a sense of belonging for club members as well as working out some strategies for keeping the club and all members active to avoid loss of members.



### 100-Day Membership Campaign September 1 to December 1, 2022

50% discount are offered to spouses and younger members (18-35) to join as new members of the club. Details will be sent to the Regions later.

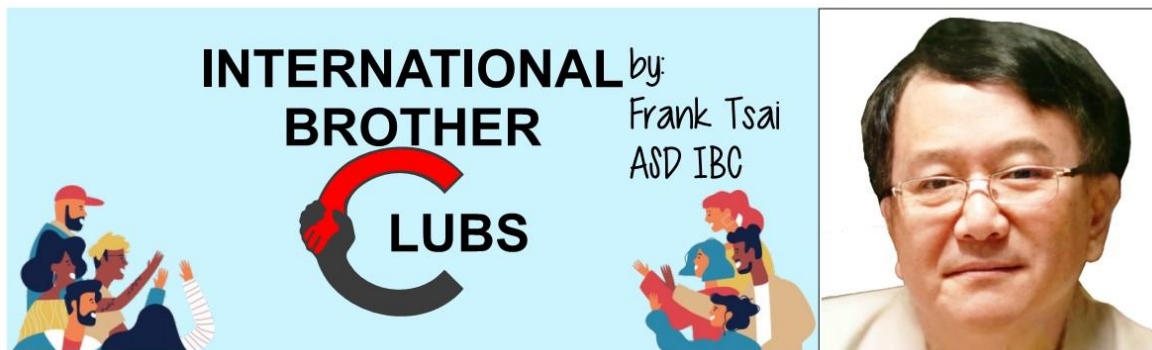
### YMI Open House

Clubs are encouraged to host an "Open House" either physically or virtually and request members to Invite prospects.

### Inquiry

For any matters of EMC, please free feel to contact  
ASD-EMC Joan Wong  
E-mail: joanwongyy@gmail.com

## Service Director Report



The International Brother Clubs (IBC) is a very important project for the Y's Men's programme, as it assists in partnering clubs located in different countries for their mutual benefit and better understanding. It is designed to help fellow Y's Men and Women and their families learn about the different clubs and exchange ideas.

Attached photos are from 2019 Asia convention in Sendai Japan. There are two IBC signature ceremonies:

1. Taichung Ever Nice of Taiwan Region and Kyoto Tops of Japan West Region.



2. Taipei-Downtown of Taiwan Region and Tokachi of Japan East Region and Kyoto-West of Japan West Region-IBC Triangle.

If your club is interested in having an IBC relationship, please contact your RSD-IBC to assist, I would be happy to help you to establish an IBC partnership.





## Service Director Report

## Y's Menettes International Project (2020-2022)



by:  
Chiharu Sakamoto  
ASD Y's Menettes



Traditionally, a wife of a Y's Man was called a Y's Menette and they sometimes formed an auxiliary to the local Y's Men's Club.

Today, Y's Menettes are women who have chosen to join a Y's Menettes' Club – and a Y's Menettes' Club today is no longer an auxiliary to a Y's Men's Club but has its own programme to support the local Y's Men's Club, YMCA and the community.

### Sports and Informal Education as Tools for Healthy Lifestyle Promotion among the Vulnerable Children in Zaporizhzhya, Ukraine



Australia, Taiwan, Japan East and Japan West Regions donated to support the project

### Educational and Vocational Training in Katmandu, Nepal

This project will pay education expenses for children so they can attend school and become trained in a profession that will enable them to help others. An essential part of the program is that the students will be able to return to their home district to work after their education. Hopefully, all our ASP regions will contribute and support this project to help our less fortunate brothers and sister in Christ.

## Service Director Report

## My Area Youth Representative Journey

by  
Alyssa Marie R. Alita  
Youth Representative



As the Area Youth Representative of the Asia Pacific Area it has been my honor to serve Y's Men International and the YMCA Community. I am now on my second term now and I must say I am enjoying the journey so far. I was so privileged to learn from the different dynamics, leadership styles and experiences of the Ys Men leaders from the Area and the Philippine Region. I was able to attend most of the virtual meetings such as Area Council Meetings, ASD Trainings, Regional Activities, and other events which required the participation of the Youth. I am humbled to represent the Youth and was glad that our leaders were able to listen and support us.

The challenge now for me as the AYR is to encourage and get more young people to be members, be involved and participate in the Ys Men Activities especially now that we are on our 100th Year



Celebration. I believe that having more face-to-face activities will enable me to invite more young people to join. This was evident in the recently held Week4Waste Activity of the Philippine Region, where a lot of young people from the YMCA and other communities participated. Also, the participation of the Asia Pacific Area in the upcoming International Youth Convocation at Chiang Mai, Thailand on September 4-9, 2022. This will serve as an opportunity to engage and interact with youth from other Areas and to strategize on what can we do to achieve the Vision 2032 of the Ys Men International.





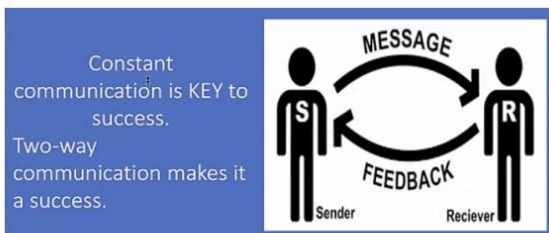
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# Familiarization for ASP Area Service Directors

by  
Rita Hettiarachchi  
ASD LTOD



The training for the ASP Area ASDs was held on July 30, 2022 via zoom. In this introductory session, the roles and responsibilities of the ASD were highlighted. Furthermore, the importance of achieving goals and targets, the reporting system, and timely progress reports were emphasized. The PowerPoint presentation also included the Service Director's Manual.



The training for the Sri Lanka Regional Council 2022/23 was held on the 17th of July 2022. This was an interactive session and the functional responsibilities, as well as the constitutional responsibilities, were discussed. The RSDs were reminded to communicate with other RSDs.

Special training was given to the District Governors of the Sri Lanka region on August 14, 2022



## Service Director Report

## Strengthening Partners in Service YMCA's and Y's Men's Clubs



by  
Kohei Yamada  
ASD Y Liaison



Soon after being appointed as ASD YL YMCA Liaison, I found that everyone knew that the Y's Men movement is to support YMCA movement in the area. But in reality, it is not happening in many parts of the world.

I went to Denmark this summer to attend the 20th World Council. One of the key issues they focused was the Vision 2030. After Covid-19, we have experienced many unprecedented rapid changes.

I would like to introduce one project that we, both YMCA and Y's Men East and West Japan Regions started in 2022.

The youth were challenged to propose a project to deal with any issue related to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In order to encourage young people, youth groups, schools and

YMCA youth volunteers, YMCA and YM Japan East and Japan West decided to fund 10 small projects proposed in the so called SDGs Youth Action.



Y's × SDGs Youth Action 2022 アクションプラン募集中!



Y's × SDGs Youth Action 2022





## Service Director Report



The SDG's were adopted at the United Nations Summit in September 2015, and are the goals that 193 United Nations member countries will achieve over the 15-year period from 2016 to 2030

We opened applications for this project from December 2021 to February 2022, and 18 project proposals were received from the whole Japan.

We listened to all the project plans through a Zoom gathering in March, and selected 10 top projects. These projects were then supported with funds (maximum of USD1500 per project) according to their proposals.

Projects started moving from April

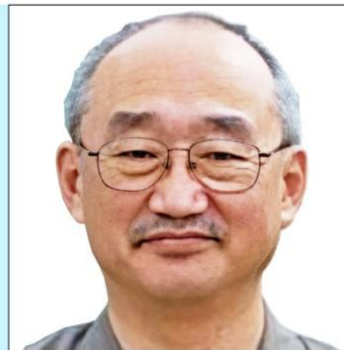
2022 and will end in January 2023. All the 10 projects selected are still active. We will have a mid-year presentation in September 2022 and the final presentation in February 2023.

This is the first year of joint partnership work in Japan for both YMCA and Y's Men. We will try to procure additional funds next year to support more projects if our evaluation of these initial projects are with positive outcome and above par.

## Committee Report

# Centennial Songfest 2021 - 2022

Shunichiro Asaba  
Task Force Chair  
ASP SongFest Project



Dear Friends,

For well over a year, a team of music loving Y's men and women from different ASP Regions have been meeting on-line on a monthly basis to discuss ways in which music and singing could be used to make the club activities livelier and attract more people, especially young ones. The "Song Fest Project", as it is named, has as its main component the compilation of an ASP Songbook. The Songbook includes new songs celebrating the YMI, as well as original compositions by members and folk songs from the Regions.

During the Centennial celebration



the Songbook will be presented as an e-book or hard copy. Some songs will be introduced.

It is our sincere hope that the YMI becomes a singing movement that could bring people from all over the world closer together.



# YMI Centennial Celebration Is Coming Up

## Please Register Soon!





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Scenery Food Technology Culture

**Nov. 15-17, 2022**  
**Welcome to Taiwan**

**Grand Hyatt Taipei**      **Cosmos Hotel Taipei**      **KDM Hotel**      **Y Hotel TAIPEI**



Distance	Host Venue	6KM	4KM	6KM
MRT	X	● ●	●	● ●

Rooms with promotional price offered to YMI 100 participants are limited.  
Please reserve ASAP.

**Registration Scheduled to Open on June 16, 2022**  
**<http://ymi-100.org/>**



# 2022 YMI Centennial celebration welcome to Taiwan



**HCC Charming Shen**

I have great pleasure in welcoming you to visit Taiwan on this wonderful occasion that will inspire us not only refreshing the memory of past 100 years but also to celebrate the upcoming 100 years.



**2022-23 IP Dr K C Samuel**

We have only one opportunity to achieve what we want and let us strive hard to leave behind a good and memorable mark that will be remembered by the future for ever..!

Wishing you all the very best..! I am really looking forward to our Centennial Celebrations and meeting you all at Taipei..!



**2021-22 IP Kim Sang-cha**

The gathering in Taipei is not only a time to reflect on our past, but also a place to rejoice in the spirit and fellowship of YMI today.



**2022-23 IPE Ulrik Lauridsen**

Thank you Taiwan for taking up organizing the 100 years jubilee. Hopefully Y's Men from all Areas will send representatives for the big party.

## AGENDA

10-14 November: PRE CONFERENCE TOURS (Optional).  
2 to 5 days

14 Nov. 2022 RBM Cup Golf / Welcome Party

15 Nov. 2022 Registration / Opening Ceremony / Thanksgiving Service / YMI Story / Centennial Celebrations

16 Nov. 2022 Keynote Address / Excursion / Group service Activit / Fellowship

17 Nov. 2022 Centenary Walk / YMI Future Presentation / Fellowship

## HALF DAY TOUR

A. HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL TRIP TO BEITOU

B. SHILIN OFFICIAL RESIDENCE

C. SONGSHAN CULTURAL AND CREATIVE PARK

D. PRESIDENTIAL PALACE VISIT

E. CS PROGRAM (RESCUING STRANDED CETACEANS)

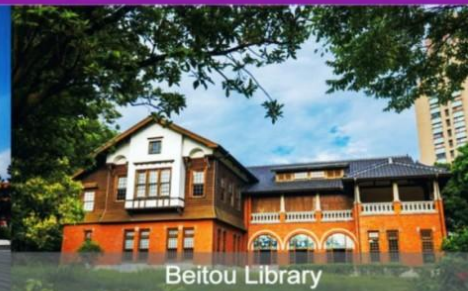
F. COME FLY WITH I-RIDE, SELF-GUIDED TOUR



Songshan Cultural and Creative Park



Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall



Beitou Library



## Regional Director Report

# Japan East Region

Theme: Take action now for the future

未来に向けて今すぐ行動しよう

by  
RD Shigeyoshi Sato



In the "Y's x SDGs Youth Action 2022," six teams are currently working with the support of the Y's-YMCA Partnership Committee. The team's objectives are:

- *To contribute to the local community*
- *To build a foundation for the future*
- *To cooperate with foreign countries, etc.*

For example, one of the teams, the Yamanashi YMCA Youth Leaders' Association, organized a trash pickup event on July 18 in Kofu City,



Activity group picture



Trash pick up event picture at Kofu City

Yamanashi Prefecture, as part of the "Yamanashi Action!".

More than 100 people, mainly elementary school students and their parents, gathered for the event. It is a game-like event in which participants compete to see how many kilos of different types of trash they can pick up. The local Kofu City Government's SDGs and Environment Divisions also endorsed and supported the event. We value and nurture this kind of youth activity.

## Regional Director Report

# Japan West Region

Theme: Know the Origin and Utilize it in the future!

原点を知り将来に生かす!

by:  
RD Tadashi Tanoue



## Event: Hiroshima and Nagasaki Remembrance Day

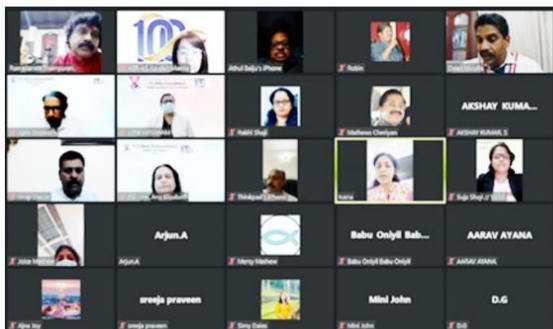
Organizer:

**Y's Men's Club Ajman, UAE**

Participants: 35

Date: August 09, 2022

Y's Men's Club Ajman (UAE) Club President Daies Idiculla invited the Chaplain - Pastor Yasuhiro Tateno of Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hiroshima (member of Kumamoto Janes Y's Men's Club), to render the message of World Peace. All participants were very knowledgeable about Hiroshima and Nagasaki.



Hiroshima and Nagasaki Remembrance Day



Remembrance Day Event Poster

Many of the paintings drawn by children in the community praying for peace were also presented. The meeting started at 1:00 am. Japan time, Pastor Tateno was not able to



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Message from Pastor Yasuhiro Tateno (Kumamoto Janes Y's Men's Club)



Prayers for peace posters drawn by the kids



Song by church members attend on Zoom. He sent the video message recorded in front of the Peace Dome in Hiroshima to Club President Daies Idiculla for all participants during the Zoom meeting. ASP Area Secretary Maeda Kayoko was on Zoom as a witness and sent a brief message to the audience.

## Regional Director Report

# Taiwan Region

Theme: Arise and Shine Lights on Y's Men

by  
RD Drucker Wang  
(Tsung-Ho Wang)



Taiwan Region is honored to host the YMI Centennial Celebration in Taipei on 15-17 November 2022, which will be carried out with the highest standard to honor the Y's Men's Movement. I hope the participants will feel right at home. To shine a light on Y's Men, Taiwan Region will induct more members to expand the Taiwan Region, to have more young members, to serve YMCAs more enthusiastically, actively implement community services to care for the vulnerable, encourage and provide leadership to build a better world for all mankind.

For this historic commemorative event, we produced a centenary promotion flag for use in various meetings and community service activities by clubs. The flag was also used for publicity to promote our Y's movement whenever and wherever we were. All the members are proud to be Y's Men!



The centenary flag on top of Mt. Jade peak



The centenary flag on top of Mt. Hehuan peak

We would also like to praise the YMC of Taipei-Beta, who, in addition to displaying the centenary flag, also made a lot of centenary materials and presented them to



## Regional Director Report



The centenary flag on joint meeting

those who participated in the activities during community services. These have greatly enhanced the image of Y's Men.



Caring 100 solitary elders



Blood donation activity

Australia, Taiwan, Japan East and Japan West Regions "Rescuing Stranded Cetaceans Project" is our key community service for YMI 100 years Anniversary. We will donate Rescue Pool and Filter Equipment to the Ocean Rescue Association during the Centennial Celebration. Let us work unitedly to make this centenary year impactful, and to lay the foundation for the new century.

### International Programme Contribution Goals:

International Program	Target (CHF)
ASF	1,600
BF	7,000
EF	3,500
RBM	3,200
TOF	2,800

## Regional Director Report

# Philippine Region

Theme: Moving Forward, Building Bridges

by:  
RD Victor Lau



### Philippine Region Plans & Goals: - Go for 5-10-20 Plus

- a. **5** New Clubs plus 5 New IBCs
- b. **10%** increase in YMI Fund Contribution
- c. **20%** increase in Memberships
- d. **20** Delegates to Taipei Centennial Celebration



Hybrid regional meeting and consultation

### Centennial Community Service (CS) Projects - YES

- a. **Y – Youth leadership training**, street children gift giving, PWD support & assistance
- b. **E – Environment Week4Waste**, Tree Planting, Recycling
- c. **S – Social development and health**, livelihood training, malaria prevention



Blood Donation Activities (RAHA Philippines)





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Mental Health Awareness Seminar (RAHA Parañaque)



Tree planting activities (YMCA Makati in partnership with YMCA Baguio. Supported by Y's Men's Club of Makati Sampro, Makati Golden, and joining also Manila Downtown Y's Men's Club)



Fumigation Project Against Dengue (RAHA Philippines)

### Enable Y's Connect

- Installation of 100 Y's Men Marker
- Inspiring stories & regular posting at Y's Men Philippines FB page, website & Y's connect Philippine Bulletin Publication
- Initiate joint projects with Y's Menettes and YMCA
- Invite young people and former members to Y's Men
- Connect with local YMCA
- Update digital archives on club history and membership at PortalBuzz

### Centennial RD visits to all clubs



## IP Message

Dear friends in Y'sdom,

I wish you all a great Y's year 2022-23 ..! Our movement, is three months into its centenary year. Being the flag bearer guardians and the centenary members at this critical juncture, we must "Acknowledge the duty that accompanies this right". I am privileged to be your International President for the year 2022-23 and offer my complete support towards strengthening our movement.

Ours is a family movement where friendship and fellowship are the key aspects of our organizational culture. A sweet friendship refreshes the soul (Proverbs 27:9) and as Andrew Burgon says "The glorious peaks of friendship are breath-taking to behold". When strong friendship and fellowship bind us together, working towards a just and less painful world, we definitely create lasting impact in our communities. Driven by this belief, I choose "Into the next 100 years with Fellowship and Impact" as our theme for the centenary year. Let our every action be decided and executed based on the impact it creates within and outside our movement.

We live in an unequal world where



access to the right medical infrastructure ensuring good health to fellow human beings is still a challenge. Education is the game changer that allowed many poor families to leapfrog into a better quality of life. Accordingly, we have chosen "Health and Education for ALL" as our project focus so we can contribute whatever we can to "HEAL the World".

From a programmatic perspective, we have identified the following goals for our centenary year:

- Membership Growth to be the key



## IP Message

focus

- Making our movement family friendly
- Realising a centenary project in each of our Regions
- Making our movement truly "Aspirational"

We can achieve all the above goals and be the catalyst and start the transformation from within. This firm belief prompted us to choose "Beyond Self and Be the Change" as our centenary slogan. As Joseph Murphy says in "The Power of

Subconscious Mind', "Infinite riches are all around you, if you will open your mental eyes and behold the treasure house of infinity within you...

We have only one opportunity to achieve what we want; let us strive hard to leave behind a good and memorable mark and be remembered by the future for ever..!

Yours Ysly,



Dr K C Samuel  
International President

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**REGISTER NOW!**



## ISG Message

Dear Y's Leaders and Friends,

I send you greetings from the International Head Quarters of Y's Men International. 2022 is the Centennial year of the movement and it is a unique opportunity for every member to celebrate this historic moment, be proud of our rich legacy and get inspired by our vision for the future.

100 years of Y's Men International is a story of a luncheon club in Toledo that turned out to be an International Association of People to make significant impacts in the world. It stands out as an international Service Club built on a unique set of values, vision and mission and united people through fellowship and service. The name Y's Men was established as a synonym of selfless service and sacrificial giving and touched and lifted the lives of thousands of people across the world over a century by acknowledging it as their duty.

All Y's Men and Women are strong witnesses of ordinary people's ability to make extraordinary impact in their own life and in the life of others through volunteer service. It is a movement that demonstrated the power of partnership by



providing support to the YMCA, the world's largest youth service organisation locally and globally over a century and also supported a multitude of community impact projects for common good. We are envisioning our future with Strategy 2032 that defines YMI and its impact

1. Being a value-based inclusive fellowship of members and their families
2. Acting as a thriving association of community-based service clubs embracing diversity





**ISG Message**

3. Having a strong presence in 100 countries and 2,500 cities / communities.

4. Growing continuously by remaining relevant and attracting younger members.

5. Having visible and positive impact in the areas of Health, Environment and Education.

6. Being an active partner of the YMCA and its mission worldwide.

7. Acting for an equitable and sustainable world for all

Together we can build our movement and evolve as a thriving organisation attracting new generations to act as global citizens and witness community impacts and unique fellowship to build an equitable and sustainable world.

Best regards



Jose Varghese  
International  
Secretary General

## YMI IHQ Report

### Membership

The paid membership as of the 1st

Area	Feb 21	Feb 2022	Difference	Change
AFR	96	106	10	+10.4%
ASP	3,509	3,551	42	+1.2%
CAC	369	339	-30	-8.1%
EUR	5,056	4,882	-174	-3.4%
IND	8,799	9,357	558	+6.3%
KOR	5,283	5,701	418	+7.9%
LAM	301	315	14	+4.7%
USA	809	825	16	+2.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,222</b>	<b>25,076</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>+3.5%</b>

of February 2022 was 25,076 club members. In February 2021, we were 24,222 paid club members.

This represents a net increase in paid membership of 854 club members or a 3.5% net increase from last year.

### Programme Contributions

At the end of June 2022, CHF 288,270 had been received. This represented 73% of the goal set for 2021/22 of CHF 397,100 (see Table 1).

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**Table 1 - Result 2021/22 (all amounts in Swiss francs)**

	ASF	BF	EF	RBM	TOF	TOTAL
<b>Goals</b>	13,800	82,500	67,000	67,800	166,000	397,100
<b>Actual (at 30 June 22)</b>	14,950	72,784	61,915	41,624	96,997	288,270
<b>Difference (Actual - Goal)</b>	1,150	-9,716	-5,085	-26,176	-69,003	-108,830
<b>Percentage of Goal</b>	108%	88%	92%	61%	58%	73%

Table 1

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### NOMINATION & ELECTION 2022/23

One (1) person for election as Area President Elect/International Council Member Elect from 1 July 2023 until 30 June 2024 and then as Area President/International Council Member from 1 July 2024 until 30 June 2025 and Past Area President/International Council Member from 1 July 2025 until 30 June 2026.

On 1 July 2023, the number of seats allocated to each Area will be as follows:

• Africa	2 seats	(incl. Young Member 2022-24)
• Asia Pacific	2 seats	(+1 Young Member 2026-28)
• Canada/Caribbean	1 seat	(+1 Young Member 2028-30)
• Europe	2 seats	(+1 Young Member 2024-26)
• India	4 seats	(incl. Young Member 2023-25)
• Korea	2 seats	(+1 Young Member 2025-27)
• Latin America	1 seat	(+1 Young Member 2029-31)
• USA	1 seat	(+1 Young Member 2027-28)

### 100-DAY MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The Challenge 22 operational plan introduced the 100-Day Membership Campaign to continue

annually from 1 September – 9 December.

What can our clubs do?

- Request every club to consider sponsoring a new club in their neighborhood - or anywhere in the world - during the year 2022-23
- Request every club member to introduce another person to their home club or a club anywhere in the world
- Inviting non-local persons to join clubs to create “Glocal Clubs” – a local club with a global membership

### INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2024

We look forward to welcoming you at the next International Convention in Bangalore, India in 2024.



## International News

## YMI IHQ Calendars of Events (August – October, 2022)

### 31 August

Deadline for 1st semester (1 August 2021) international dues payments.

### 31 August

Material for YMI World No. 1-2022/2023 to be received by YMW Editor.

### 2 September

Nominations for International President Elect and International Treasurer E2022/23 from RDs and Nominating Committee to be received at IHQ.

### 9 September

Deadline for proposed IPE candidates to complete online bio-data and Declaration of Acceptance forms.

### 30 September

Last day for clubs to be in good standing as defined in Guideline 410, have at least fifteen (15) members for the three last semesters and have the required details of its Club President

recorded at IHQ. A club failing to meet any of these requirements forfeits its international voting rights for that year (Guideline 409, International Constitution).

### 30 September

Requests for exemption from eligible clubs with 5-14 reported members in order to vote on international issues to be submitted.

### 7 October

Proposed nominations from clubs for ICMs to be submitted using the online form. ([www.ysmen.org/cpme](http://www.ysmen.org/cpme) mo)

### 14 October

Deadline for Declaration of Acceptance and Bio-data of proposed ICM candidates to be received at IHQ. ([www.ysmen.org/elections](http://www.ysmen.org/elections))

### 15 October

Requests for exemption which are endorsed by RDs to be received at IHQ from RDs with copies to AP.

### 24 October

Final list of nominations for ICMs from APs to be received by IHQ.

## International News

### International Dues

The amount per member for 1st semester 2022/23 is Swiss Francs (CHF) 17.50. The deadline for paying the 1st semester international dues is 31 August 2022. These are based on the 1 August 2022 membership reports and cover the period 1 July – 31 December 2022. An invoice will be sent to you upon receipt of your report.

*50% discount for spouses and younger members (18-35) to join as new members of the club. This promotion has been extended by one year.*

### Spouse discount

Spouses of existing club members who have joined a club any time as a new member after July 01, 2019 are eligible for a 50% discount on international dues during 2022/23. This is applicable only for new club members. Spouses who are already joined as club members are not eligible for the discount. This

offer is open to both new and existing clubs where the new member is the partner of an existing member.

### Young member discount (18-35)

Persons aged between 18 and 35 who join a YMI club as a new member any time after July 01, 2020, either existing or newly chartered, are eligible for a 50% discount on international dues. Eligibility must be verified through submission of a copy of the new club members' passport or another official document of identity to IHQ as proof of age. This is applicable only for new club members - members in this age bracket who have already joined as club members are not eligible for the discount.

Regions must report new spouse & young members to IHQ using the form provided no later than the cut-off dates for semester reporting (new club members can also be invited to complete the form themselves):

<https://www.ysmen.org/c22promo/>

Members joining between 1 February – 31 July: complete application before 10 August



## International News

Members joining between 1 August – 31 January: complete application before 10 February

### ASIA PACIFIC AREA DUES

The annual ASP area dues per member is @US\$6.00 covering

- the first semester and second semester dues (US\$3.00 each semester)
- US\$2.00 each member for the Natural Disaster Emergency Relief

### Fund (NDERF)

The approved motion at FQCM 2020 on waiver of Area dues has been extended for 2022-2023

- Youth of 18-35 years of age who join a YMI club as a new member any time after July 01, 2020
- Spouse of existing club member who join the club as a new member any time after July 01, 2020

## International Youth Convocation Highlights

### Theme

“Honoring the past, cherishing the present and moulding the future”



### Focus Sessions: YMI Strategy 2032

- Eminence in Community Impact
- Meaningful Work
- A Sustainable Planet, and
- An Equitable and Just World

### Asia Pacific Area Twenty four (24) Youth Participants with APE Keiko Tonegawa

- Philippines (8)
- Japan East (5)
- Japan West (1)
- SEA - Nepal (4)
- SEA - Thailand (6)

Source: Alyssa Marie Alita, AYR

## International News

# Heal The World (HTW) with Love and Dignity

by  
Dr. Kim Sang-Chae  
IP2021/2022



A service organization is never static, and the way it fulfils its fundamental mission must be adapted to the circumstances of an ever-changing world. A strong and sustainable movement is one that is resilient and prepared to respond quickly and comprehensively in times of crisis.

## HTW Purpose & Objectives:



## HTW Unified Global Project (UGP) categories:

### · SUPPLY OF RELIEF GOODS/SERVICES:

- Providing essential relief goods and services during disasters and

special emergencies.

### · VOLUNTEER SUPPORT:

- Providing volunteer service for building or rebuilding houses and community assets locally and beyond borders.

### · MEDICAL AND HEALTH CARE SUPPORT:

- Providing support for medical treatments and basic health and hygiene services in low-income communities around the world.



Funding for HTW will come from Y's Men's clubs, club members, the YMCA, other agencies and independent, special benefactors through the existing TOF fund, and a special HTW account



## International News

## Week 4 Waste Task Force

by:  
Olga Vozchikova  
PAP, Chairperson



Greetings!

We are encouraging Y's men from our clubs, family members, friends to pick up waste in our communities to promote Week4Waste activity in social networks, in reports, etc.

I'd like to share my idea about environmental education among residents, which is important to prevent the appearance of garbage and creating a friendly environment



Another idea for promotion and education is increasing visibility through posters in those places where Y's men pick up waste. A motivational eco-poster is an effective means of education and encouragement to preserve the environment like "Keep clean!", "Don't forget to take your trash!", "This place is protected by Y's Men Club", "Yekaterinburg-II". Etc.

We can also use children's illustrations about garbage sorting and recycled products as posters, and place them in parks and recreation areas. Maybe by June 2023 you won't find any waste in your vicinity if the locals don't leave trash anywhere.

## International News

## The Impact Communication Team (2022/23)

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# SHAPING THE YMI BRAND WITH IMPACT STORIES

(Emphasis July 2022)



YMI has an active presence in 1,500 communities in 75 countries. We are sharing fellowship, lifting lives, and making a positive difference in many ways. But who knows about this? So many of our great stories remain untold. In 2022 /23 we will be prioritising impact communication.

## So, what is impact communication?

Impact communication differentiates itself by the fact that it relies specifically on eliciting an emotional response. We want to highlight uplifting moments from all levels of our movement to foster solidarity and build our identity

## What makes a good story?

Here are just a few examples:

- A testimonial from a club member on how club fellowship changed their life for the better
- An interview with a project beneficiary
- A partnership or collaboration tale with the YMCA or other organisation
- An exposé on how a project improved your community

Small stories when shared have a big impact. By increasing our storytelling, we increase our visibility and build our brand. It is important to leave people feeling inspired, impressed by and connected to our movement. It is important that they see Y's Men International as a unified entity with clubs connected and working together for a larger purpose.

Are there storytellers in your club or members who are talented in creative writing, social media interactions, video and photo production and editing? YMI needs your support as we enter our second century to bring us into the limelight as an organisation eminent in fellowship and community impact, collectively inspired and working collaboratively to help build an equitable and sustainable world. At the international level, we are establishing a new Impact Communication Team to fine tune your stories and communicate them widely.

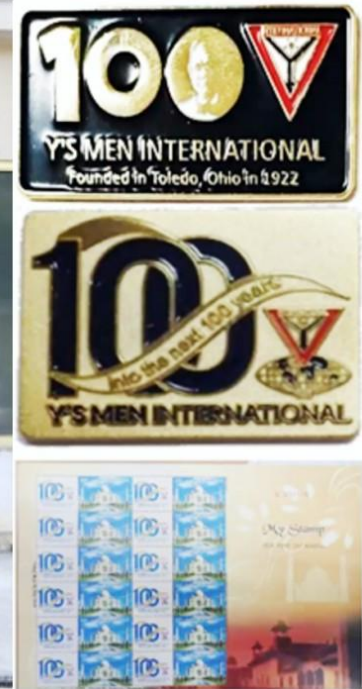
**Are you ready to tell your stories?**

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