

Minutes of EACA Board Meeting at Cochrane Systemic Review Workshop
5 PM to 6 PM, June 13, 2015
Seogwipo KAL Hotel, Jeju Island, South Korea

Member present: Steve McDonald, Ken N Kuo (Chair), Hyeong Sik Ahn, Edwin Chan, Ritaro Mori, Yao Long (Allen) Chen, CF Cliff Chen, Hyun Jung Kim, Joey Kwong, Norio Watanabe, Emma Barber

Minutes Recording: Ken N Kuo

Discussions:

1. This Systemic Review Course was the initiated at East Asia Cochrane Alliances meeting at ISEHC meeting in Taipei last November. We like to express our appreciation to Professor Ahn and his team for arranging this wonderful workshop, all members attended enjoyed and learnt a lot from the workshop.
2. This year Cochrane Colloquium is scheduled on October 3-7 in Vienna. Next year will be held in Seoul, Korea. The venue is Grand Hilton Hotel from October 22-26 2016. Hyeong Sik Ahn proposed pre-conference workshops of systemic review or the topics to be determined on October 20 and 21 in Mandarin and Korean languages. For those full registered for Cochrane Colloquium will be free of charge to attend these workshops. He also asked the member of EACA to spread the message to increase the participation. We need more than 800 participants in early estimation to be successful.
3. Rintaro Mori proposed a platform of shared information because of the expense of obtaining certain information for systemic reviews. Cliff Chen indicated that through Taipei Medical University, there will be purchasing of EmBase at University Library. If logistics can be worked out, he would like to share with the members who need the service.
4. We revisited the old issue that is the English abstracts of systemic review and randomized studies published in Chinese, Korea and Japanese. We should collect those and put in EACA website for those who are interested.
5. Since EACA is officially recognized in Cochrane website, should we make a website within Cochrane to include EACA activities? Steve McDonald suggested a simple website is fine, but not overstated that may interfere with each Cochrane rebranding name in the East Asia region.