



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
23rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PEACEKEEPING
TRAINING CENTRES (IAPTTC) 2017
14 September 2017
Cairo-Egypt**

Agenda

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Agenda Item 1: President's Summary of Conference

Col. Dr. Jasmin Čajić, President of the IAPTC, presented the main outcomes and conclusions of the 23rd IAPTC Annual Conference, highlighting the importance of integrated learning strategies and enhanced leadership competencies. He emphasized the centrality of pedagogical issues in this year's conference, as it provided participants with new and creative techniques for improving trainings. The President commended the depth and richness of the discussions during the plenary sessions and breakout groups, which contributed to establishing a common understanding on current dynamics and complexities in peacekeeping environment, identifying contemporary conflict trends, recognizing good performance and training practices, and sharing ideas on new training approaches.

Col. Dr. Čajić elaborated that this year's conference has provided participants with a great opportunity for accomplishing a closer cooperation between main mission components: armed forces, police and civilian; thus, contributing to a more comprehensive approach to trainings on peace support operations.

Egypt and CCCPA were praised for the excellent organization of the 23rd IAPTC Annual Conference. The functional committee chairs were also acknowledged for their continuous support towards achieving the conference's objectives.

Agenda Item 2: Proposed Amendment to Articles of Association

There were no proposed amendments by the members.

Agenda Item 3: Host 2019

In accordance with IAPTC's geographic rotation policy, the 25th Annual Conference of the Association will be hosted in the Americas in 2019. An Expression of interest was put forward by Peru, as the ALCOPAZ candidate. However, the Secretariat has not received a formal proposal to date. Uruguay has also expressed interest to substitute Peru, in the event that the latter could not assume this role. Organizations wishing to host the 25th IAPTC Annual Conference in 2019 are encouraged to send a formal proposal to the IAPTC Secretariat (iaptc@cairopeacekeeping.org or sarah.abdelgelil@cairopeacekeeping.org).



Agenda Item 4: Host 2020

In accordance with IAPTC's geographic rotation policy, the 26th Annual Conference of the Association will be hosted in Europe in 2020. During the Annual General Meeting, representatives from Italy expressed interest in hosting the 26th IAPTC Annual Conference. To date, the Secretariat has not received a formal proposal. Organizations wishing to host the 26th IAPTC Annual Conference in 2010 are encouraged to send a formal proposal to the IAPTC Secretariat (iaptc@cairopeacekeeping.org or sarah.abdelgelil@cairopeacekeeping.org).

Agenda Item 5: IAPTC Plus

The Secretariat informed participants that the IAPTC Plus is scheduled for Friday the 15th of September 2017. Participants were encouraged to continue discussions and networking informally at the IAPTC Plus. The Secretariat also requested all members to forward their suggestions - if any – regarding improving the format of the event.

Agenda Item 6: Consolidation & Development Committee (CDC)

The Chair of CDC, Mr. Jonas Alberoth, informed participants of recent activities carried out by the committee in support of the 23rd IAPTC Annual Conference. These include:

- maintaining contact with the host, president and EC members between conferences;
- contributing to the 2016 conference report;
- updating two guidance papers available on the IAPTC website;
- contributing to the concept note of the 2017 conference;
- contributing to the AGM and ECM agendas, reach out to new and old IAPTC members;
- promoting the IAPTC in the Americas– including by providing a briefing on the IAPTC in the US-hosted annual Peace and Stability Operations Training and Education Workshop (PSOTEW);
- contributing to the development of the conference agenda and work-plan of the 2017 conference;
- co-facilitating consultations with IAPTC members that have expressed interest in engaging in the Executive Committee or hosting the IAPTC Annual Conferences.



Agenda Item 7: Theme Proposal 2018

The Secretariat asked members to forward their suggestions on the theme for the 24th IAPTIC Annual Conference by end of January 2018. The proposals will be discussed during the Executive Committee Meeting scheduled from 20 - 22 February 2018 in Auckland, NZ.

Agenda Item 8: Views from Members

The President of the IAPTIC opened the floor for members to provide feedback and share their views/suggestions on the way forward.

The following points were received from members: -

- (a) Mr. Petteri Taitto from Laurea University of Applied Sciences -Finland, congratulated the host for the excellent organization of the 23rd IAPTIC Annual Conference. In terms of substance, he commended this year's focus on learning approaches and educational & behavioral sciences, but recommended connecting these to more practical solutions for training. He emphasized the importance of keeping the balance between trainers and practitioners in future conferences.
- (b) A representative from Italy (Lt. Col. Nicola Melidonis from CoESPU) announced that his country is examining the possibility of hosting the 26th Annual Conference in 2020. He also announced that Brig. Gen. Giovanni Barbano, Director General of CoESPU - Italy, is offering his candidacy for the police chair in the incoming 2018 Executive Committee (pending national decisions).
- (c) A representative from the U.S.A. proposed having an in-depth look at one of the peacekeeping missions in future conferences, in order to address emerging threats and challenges at the operational level.
- (d) Col. Mustafizur Rahman from the Bangladesh Institute of Peace Support Operation Training (BIPSOT), recommended having more interactions within the regional associations following each IAPTIC conference. He commended the work done in the breakout sessions, highlighting that they provided a unique opportunity for more interactive and stimulating discussions. Col. Rahman also praised the visit to the



Egyptian Police Academy, which provided valuable insights into the educational and training aspects for police personnel.

- (e) Brig. Gen. Mutasem Almajali from the Public Security Directorate of Jordan, recommended having three speakers (instead of four) per panel in order to allocate more time for the speakers to present their experiences.

Agenda Item 9: 2018 Executive Committee

The Secretary projected the list of Executive Committee for 2018:

1. IAPTC President: **Minister Plenipotentiary Ashraf Swelam** - Director General, CCCPA - Egypt
2. Host: **Col. Helen Cooper** – New Zealand Defence Force
3. Host Designate: **LTG (Ret) Jose Modesto Huerta Torres** – President of ALCOPAZ - Peru
4. Past President: **LTC. Kasim Podzic** PSOTC – Bosnia and Herzegovina
5. Military Chair: **Col (Ret.) Roberto Gil** – National Support System for Peace Operations - Uruguay
6. Police Chair: **Brig. Gen. (Rtd.) Hester Adriana Paneras** – Senior Researcher POPB, ISS – South Africa
7. Civilian Chair: **Dr. Lotte Vermeij** – Senior Advisor, Norwegian Defense Command and Staff College - Netherlands
8. Pedagogical Chair: **Insp. Camilla Unsgaard** – Swedish Police Peace Support Operations - Sweden
9. Chair of CDC: **Mr. Jonas Alberoth** - Deputy Director General, FBA – Sweden
10. Honorary Member: **Mr. David Lightburn** - Canada
11. UN Representative: **Mr. Mark Pedersen** – Chief of ITS, UNDPKO – New Zealand
12. The Secretariat: **CCCPA**

Agenda Item 10: Host 2018 Welcome Speech

Lt. Col. Syd Dewes from New Zealand, delivered a “host country brief.” He provided administrative details regarding the upcoming conference and the planning and preparation leading up to the 24th IAPTC Annual Conference. A welcome video was also presented, highlighting New Zealand’s contributions to Peacekeeping, as well as the beautiful sights and activities that await participants next year.

Agenda Item 11: Any Other Business



The President asked IAPTC members if they wish to discuss any other business – no points were raised. The AGM concluded with closing remarks from the president, where he expressed his honor and gratitude serving in the position. The presidency of the IAPTC was then handed over to CCCPA Director General.