

2019 APQN New Year Greeting

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Dear APQN members, dear colleagues and friends: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

On the occasion of New Year, we, APQN Board Directors, are extending our festival greetings and best wishes to 222 members from 41 countries/territories and your families, extending our sincere appreciation and deep respect to those who care and support the development of APQN! We'd like to thank you for your continual support of our goal of "*Dissolving Boundaries for a Quality Region*".

Bells Ringing, New Year is cause for celebration, for reliving and for reflection. In the passing year, many things are worth mentioning:

One of the most important things is the 2018 APQN Academic Conference (AAC) and Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Nagpur, India on March 22-25. 131 participants from 21 countries/territories had over 20 sessions to discuss the main theme of "*Capacity Building for Next- Generation Quality Assurance in Higher Education*". At the gathering time, we enjoyed Quality Award Ceremony, Indian Cultural Show and Excursion Tour to Sevagram Ashram where Mahatma Gandhiji settled down....

One of the most memorable things is to make "Brochure of APQN 15-year Anniversary (2003-2018)". Since its inception in 2003, APQN has been continuously fighting for its ultimate goal of "Dissolving Boundaries for a Quality Region". To mark the important milestone, APQN united the founding fathers, pioneers and active members at the special occasion.

One of the most remarkable things is to have the third "Global Summit" co-held by APQN and BAN-PT in Bali, Indonesia, as well as the MPI-APQN tenth International Conference on "Innovation and Developments in Teaching and Learning Quality Assurance" held at Macao Polytechnic Institute (MPI) in Macao, China.

One of the most crucial things is to have the new host of APQN Secretariat - the Higher Education Evaluation Center (HEEC) of the Ministry of Education, China. As we all know, the first host of APQN Secretariat is the Australian Universities Quality Agency (AUQA) in Australia and the second host is Shanghai Education Evaluation Institute (SEEI) in China. APQN owes a lot for their effort and dedication for APQN sustainable development.

At the same time, APQN published "APQNews (Issue 17)" and "APQNews (Issue 18)" with a total of 72 articles and numerous memorable photos. At 2018 AAC, "2017 AAC Proceeding of New Horizons: Dissolving Boundaries for a Quality Region" was published by APQN and NCPA in Russia...

Dear all, the past 15 years has been a long road of challenges on which APQN achieves the vision of "being a self-sustaining Network". The next 15 years is a new path of "Dissolving Boundaries for a Quality Region", a non-profit QA organization that restlessly enhancing HE quality in the Asia-Pacific Region. Let us not be afraid to dream big and to pursue great goals. We can make it happen.

Finally, on the New Year's Day, we sincerely wish all members "Happy New Year", 12 months of happiness and good health, 52 weeks of love and prosperity, 365 days of non-stopping fun. See you in 2019 APQN Annual Conference in Colombo in Sri Lanka on March 28-31, 2019!

Sincerely yours:



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