



Dr Jannicke Mellin-Olsen has assumed the Presidency of the WFSA, taking over from Dr Gonzalo Barreiro

We are delighted to announce that Dr Jannicke Mellin-Olsen has assumed the Presidency of the WFSA, taking over from Dr Gonzalo Barreiro who completed his two year term at the end of August 2018. Jannicke will serve for the period September 2018 to September 2020.

[You can read our statement in English, French and Spanish here.](#)

World Anaesthesia Day celebrated around the world!

The WFSA's campaign for World Anaesthesia Day, The Right Stuff, was a worldwide success with anaesthesia providers around the world showing their support for adequate anaesthesia equipment. With celebrations around the world and over 600 photos, we would like to thank Member Societies for your incredible support.

[Read the full article here.](#)

Thank you to our colleagues at the Anesthesiology and Intensive Medical Department of Northern Greece,

who fundraised at their 15th Congress of Anesthesiology and Intensive Medicine, and raised over €1,000 for the WFSA's Fund A Fellow. [View the picture here.](#)

WFSA representatives read statements at WHO Regional meetings in Africa and Europe

Representatives Dr Philippe Mavoungou and Dr Daniela Filipescu presented WFSA statements at WHO Regional meetings in Africa and Europe respectively.

[Read the full article here.](#)

Alcatraz challenge to raise awareness and money for Fund-a-Fellow

Southern Snappers team swam from Alcatraz to the mainland in San Francisco to raise funds and awareness. A team of swimmers, including the WFSA's Director of Programmes Dr Wayne Morris and member of the Ad-Hoc Anaesthesia Equipment Committee Dr Rob McDougall, undertook the Alcatraz Swim in San Francisco challenge to raise money and awareness for Fund-a-Fellow, swimming the open water from the infamous Alcatraz prison to the mainland. They were in San Francisco to attend the Annual Meeting of The American Society of Anesthesiologists.

[Read the full article here.](#)

Three WFSA Council and Committee members awarded prestigious Australian honours

The WFSA is proud to share the news that three of our Council and Committee members have recently been awarded honours in the Australian Queen's Birthday Honours. The Order of Australia honours are the principal and most prestigious means of recognising outstanding members of the Australian community at a national level. Drs Michael Cooper, Charles Roger Goucke and David Pescod were each given the award based on their service to medicine through specific projects in the field of anaesthesia, pain management and Australia-Mongolia relations respectively.

[Read the full article here.](#)

'Our Journey'

On 6th September 2018 four medical doctors from Liberia, West Africa, travelled to Kano City in Nigeria where for the next 15 months they will complete a postgraduate diploma in anaesthesia. Liberia has never had a Physician Anaesthetist of Liberian origin working in the country despite having a population of 4.6 million.

Here is the story of their journey to Nigeria. [Read the full article here.](#)

Interesting anaesthesia articles

A selection of articles on anaesthesia & global health published since August 2018:

FREE: [Mortality due to low-quality health systems in the universal health coverage era: a systematic analysis of amenable deaths in 137 countries \(The Lancet, September 2018\).](#)

FREE: [How could health care be anything other than high quality? \(The Lancet Global Health, September 2018\).](#)

FREE: [Stemming the global caesarean section epidemic \(The Lancet, October 2018\).](#)

Currently open for applications

[Click the links below to find out more about our education and training opportunities:](#)

- WFSA Thoracic Anaesthesia Fellowship, New Delhi, India. Deadline for applications is the 22nd November 2018. For more information, please click [here](#).
- WFSA Paediatric Anaesthesia Fellowship, Belgrade, Serbia. Deadline for applications is the 30th November 2018. For more information, please click [here](#).
- WFSA Intensive Care Fellowship, Vellore, India. Deadline for applications is the 25th November 2018. For more information, please click [here](#).

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