



# Minutes – 2020 Virtual General Assembly

Tuesday 6 October 2020, 14h00 – 15h30 CET

## 1. Welcome and introductions

UICC President, Dina Mired, welcomed all UICC members, friends, Board members and special guests to UICC's first virtual General Assembly. She explained the role of the General Assembly, as set out in the Constitution. She also provided an overview on how the event was planned to be held and how members were encouraged to participate.

## 2. Approval of agenda

Dina Mired introduced the agenda of the General Assembly, explained each of the items and requested approval of the agenda. The Assembly approved the agenda.

## 3. Business Performance Overview

UICC CEO, Cary Adams, presented an overview of the organisation, explaining the main areas of focus along with the results of the work delivered in 2018 and 2019. Cary Adams highlighted the following:

- UICC currently has 1,200 members in 173 countries.
- UICC has a team of 44 based in Geneva, Switzerland.
- UICC's main areas of focus are convening, capacity building, advocacy and supporting new organisations, in line with UICC's purpose statement "We unite and support the cancer community to reduce the global cancer burden, to promote greater equity, and to ensure that cancer control continues to be priority in the world health and development agenda."

Cary Adams highlighted the results of the membership survey which was conducted at the end of 2019.

- 95% of members would recommend UICC membership to another organisation
- 41% of members were satisfied or very satisfied with their membership
- 56% of organisations responded that their interaction with UICC was "very good"
- 68% of respondents say that UICC stands out from similar health-sector organisations

Cary Adams shared a summary of the detailed financial performance of the 2018 and 2019 accounts. UICC is financially secure with multiple income sources. The organisation received clean audits from PricewaterhouseCoopers. Cary Adams recommended that the General Assembly approve the Annual Accounts for 2018 and 2019.

Cary Adams thanked all the UICC partners for their continued support to UICC and its membership.

#### 4. Review of the last two years

Dina Mired presented an overview of her past two years as President of UICC. Since 2011, Dina Mired became involved in the NCD community, and throughout her tenure as UICC President, she was engaged in the development and work of the NCD Alliance and the McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer as well as the launch of the City Cancer Challenge initiative that became an independent foundation in 2019.

Dina Mired launched the new Arabic version of the Cancer Atlas produced by UICC member, The Friends of Cancer Patients.

Dina Mired thanked the fellow UICC Board members as well as Cary Adams and the UICC team members for their support during her presidency. She gave her best wishes to the new UICC President, Anil D’Cruz.

#### 5. Board members and President-elect: nomination process overview

Sanchia Aranda explained the nomination process as set out in the UICC Constitution. She introduced the mandate of the Nominating Committee to present a suitable number of candidates for Board members and President-elect to the General Assembly to ensure a balance between board renewal, continuity and a diversity in expertise and global representation.

Sanchia Aranda presented the members of the Nominating Committee and the work of the Committee. She presented the candidates running for the role of President-elect and Board of Directors and wished them success on their election.

#### 6. Live Q&A

Dina Mired opened the live Q&A session. UICC members were invited to submit questions since the opening of the General Assembly. The session was facilitated by Cary Adams, who explained that the questions received were grouped by theme and were answered live. He reassured members that the team will get in contact directly with them in case their questions were not answered during the event. The following questions were addressed during the session:

- Princess Dina was a great ambassador for the EMRO region and around the world. What will she be doing next and will she continue collaborating with UICC?
- How will UICC share best practices across the community with less regional face-to-face events due to COVID-19?
- Attending the World Cancer Congress has always been a priority for us, how will you adapt the next one and ensure access to the community?
- What are your plans around capitalising on the “Build Back Better” agenda and COVID-19, and where do you see the opportunities?
- Given the current pandemic and UICC virtual activities, do you have any updates on the future for the e-UICC project?

At the end of the Q&A session, Cary Adams presented a special “thank you” video from the City Cancer Challenge Foundation to Dina Mired.

Dina Mired thanked the City Cancer Challenge for the video.

Dina Mired officially closed the voting for the General Assembly and explained that the team would prepare presenting the results during Anil D’Cruz’s intervention.

## 7. Future Plans and Ambitions for UICC

UICC President-elect, Anil D’Cruz, presented his vision for the future of UICC. He addressed the concerns from members on the challenges and impact of COVID-19 on cancer care. Anil D’Cruz outlined the continued priorities in the areas of convening, capacity building and advocacy. He confirmed the 2022 World Cancer Congress would be held in Geneva, Switzerland.

Anil D’Cruz gave a special thanks to the UICC team, Dina Mired, fellow Board members, members, the cancer community, and the Oman Cancer Association for all their work and support.

Anil D’Cruz presented a special “thank you” video from the UICC Board of Directors to Dina Mired.

## 8. Voting results

Dina Mired thanked the UICC Board of Directors for their kind messages and video.

Dina Mired presented the results of the votes from the UICC full members.

### a. Approval of the minutes of the 2018 General Assembly

The minutes of the last General Assembly, held in Kuala Lumpur on 2 October 2018, were distributed to the UICC membership on [www.uicc.org](http://www.uicc.org) on 5 August 2020.

- **The General Assembly approved the minutes of the 2018 General Assembly.**

### b. Approval of the 2018 and 2019 Annual Accounts

The Annual Reports for 2018 and 2019 were made available to the membership on 5 August 2020. They contained the summary of the audited accounts.

- **The General Assembly approved the 2018 and 2019 financial accounts.**

### c. Discharge of the Board and CEO

- **The General Assembly discharged the Board of Directors and CEO for the 2018-2020 period.**

### d. Election of President-elect

Dina Mired announced the two candidates who had been put forward to the General Assembly for the role of President-elect, Jeff Dunn and Daiming Fan.

- **The General Assembly elected Jeff Dunn as President-elect for 2020-2022.**

Dina Mired congratulated Jeff Dunn and presented her commiserations to Daiming Fan.

### e. Election of the Board of Directors

The General Assembly was invited to vote for 14 candidates out of the slate of 22 individuals. The votes were managed and verified by an independent company, Interactive Voting System, based in The Netherlands.

Dina Mired announced the results of the election of the 14 individuals who will serve on the Board of UICC for the next 2 years, arranged in alphabetical order by last name:

- Ulrika Arehed Kagstrom
- Eric Bouffet
- Hana Chaar Choueib
- Daiming Fan

- Cristiana Fonseca
- Nick Grant
- Anne Lee
- Gilberto Lopes
- Kenji Lopez Cuevas
- Miriam Mutebi
- Ana Cristina Pinho Mendes Pereira
- CS Pramesh
- Danielle Rodin
- Zainab Shinkafi-Bagudu

#### 9. Words from the new 2020-2022 President-elect

Jeff Dunn thanked the UICC membership for his election and expressed his commitment and engagement to UICC.

#### 10. Closing of the 2018 General Assembly

Dina Mired congratulated the new Board of Directors, President-elect and President and wished them the best. She thanked Cary Adams and the UICC team for their work. She also gave thanks to the City Cancer Challenge team as well as the UICC members and partners for their continued support to UICC. The General Assembly was closed at 15h30 CET.