ISN Statements on Meetings and Activities: Selection and Participation

Context and Purpose of Statements

The location and selection of locations for ISN meetings and activities, and participation in ISN activities reflects our vision, mission and values, specifically in that we aim to bridge gaps, build capacity and connect community in an ethical and responsible manner. The following statements should help affirm those core values and guide activities, and will be posted on the ISN Website as affirmation of our commitment and transparency.

ISN endorses the UN International Bill of Human Rights and will actively encourage respect of human rights in all its activities.

ISN Meetings and activities will be held in locations which facilitate the inclusivity of all ISN members.

ISN meetings or other ISN activities may be held in countries perceived to have a poor human rights record if such an activity is deemed to be in keeping with its vision, mission and core values. In conducting such activity, ISN does not in any way condone existing injustices.

ISN members are volunteers and participation in any ISN activity is voluntary. Potential safety issues should be considered by an individual participating in ISN activities, and ISN will respect the decision of individuals regarding travel or participation in specific activities without consequence.

All ISN members are expected to adhere to the principles and practice of medicine, and research as laid out in Declaration of Istanbul, World Medical Association's Declaration of Geneva, and the Declaration of Helsinki respectively.