The International Society of Nephrology’s (ISN) Professor Donal O’Donoghue, Global Kidney Policy Forum (GKPF) aims to bring together high-level decision-makers and stakeholders to address the burden of kidney disease in a particular country or region, and share strategies for the prevention and improved management of the disease at both the regional and global level.

The Forum’s overarching objective is to enable policymakers, patients, clinicians and administrators/funders to better understand the opportunities to improve kidney health within their region(s), and propose concrete solutions that will help deliver such goals.

During the first GKPF, which took place in April 2017, stakeholders interested in addressing the growing burden of kidney disease gathered to describe, discuss and develop a set of Recommendations to Global Kidney Health to guide future efforts to reduce the burden of kidney disease worldwide. Successive Global Kidney Policy Fora are committed to the continued adherence to, and advancement of, these 10 Recommendations.

**PROGRAM**

08:00 – 09:15  OPENING REMARKS & SETTING THE SCENE

Chairs: Prof. Agnes Fogo (President, International Society of Nephrology) and Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi (University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Nigeria)

- **Prof. Agnes Fogo**, Welcome and Context: The Donal O’Donoghue Policy Forum and the 10 recommendations to Kidney Health.

- **Dr Sophon Mekthon**, (Vice Public Health Minister of the Thai Royal government), **Dr Yot Teerawattananon**, (Thai Ministry of Public Health’s Health Intervention and Technology Assessment Program (HITAP)) and **Dr Jadej Thammaaree**, (Secretary General of the National Health Security Office), Welcome to Thailand and the Local Context
- **Dr. Bente Mikkelsen** (World Health Organization), Perspectives from WHO: Global Health, NCDs and Kidney diseases.

- **Prof. Aminu Bello** (University of Alberta, Canada), Perspectives from ISN Burden of Kidney Diseases: Acute and Chronic KD. The ISN Global Kidney Health Atlas: Focus on the Region.

- **Dr. Nivedita Kamath** (St. John’s National Academy of Health Sciences, India), Perspectives from ISN Burden of Kidney Diseases: Acute and Chronic KD. Focus on the paediatric situation in the region.

- **Prof. Jorge Cerdá** (Albany Medical College, United States), Perspectives from ISN Burden of Kidney Diseases: Acute and Chronic KD. 0 x 25 Initiative: Acute Kidney Injury: lessons learned.

- **Mr. Bill Wang** (ISN Patient Liaison Advisory Group, Hong Kong), Patient Perspectives: What the patient voice can do for kidney health.

**Q&A Chairs: Prof. Agnes Fogo & Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi**

09:15 – 09:20  Break

09:20 – 10:40  ACCESS TO KIDNEY CARE: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

Chairs: **Dr. Maria Carlota Gonzalez Bedat** (Latin-American Society of Nephrology and Hypertension, Uruguay) & **Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Abdul Hafidz** (Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia)

**Regional Roundtable**

- **Dr. Yot Teerawattananon** (Health Intervention and Technology Assessment Program, Thailand) - Economic costs analysis of kidney care in the region.

- **Prof. Sydney Tang** (University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong) - Comparing and contrasting access to kidney care for populations - Regional perspective (Asian Pacific Society of Nephrology).

- **Dr. Shubharthi Kar** (Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College & Hospital, Bangladesh) - Comparing and contrasting access to kidney care for populations – Focus on Bangladesh.

- **Dr. Vuddhidej Ophascharoensuk** (Chiang Mai University, Thailand) - Comparing and contrasting access to kidney care for populations – Focus on ASEAN registries.

**Preparing for the unexpected: Natural and man-made disasters**

- **Dr. Adrian Liew** (Mount Elizabeth Novena Hospital, Singapore) - Emergency preparedness for disaster preparedness and environmental disasters.
• **Prof. Sanjib Kumar Sharma** (B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Nepal) - The need for policies to protect vulnerable populations (Focus on migrant workers returning home with AKI/CKD).

**Q&A Chairs: Dr. Maria Carlota Gonzalez Bedat & Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Abdul Hafidz**

10:40 – 11:00 **Break**

11:00 – 12:00 **KIDNEY CARE: NOVEL PROGRAMS AND INNOVATIONS**

Chairs: Dr. Sunita Bavanandan (Hospital Kuala Lumpur, Kuala Lumpur) & Prof. Valerie Luyckx (University of Zurich, Switzerland)

*Home-based therapy and Sustainability*

• **Prof. Khin Phyu Pyar** (Defense Service General Hospital, Myanmar) - General and Regional considerations on home-based therapies and green dialysis - Home dialysis therapies in Myanmar.

• **Prof. Katherine Barraclough** (Royal Melbourne Hospital, Australia) - General and Regional considerations on home-based therapies and green dialysis - Green Nephrology.

*How to sustain kidney health: CKD essential care components in the region*

• **Dr. Kearkiat Praditpornsilpa** (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand) - Focus on Thailand.

• **Dr. Benita Padilla** (National Kidney and Transplant Institute, Philippines) - Focus on the Philippines.

**Q&A Chairs: Dr. Sunita Bavanandan & Prof. Valerie Luyckx**

12:00 – 12:10 **CLOSING REMARKS & NEXT STEPS: POLICY FORUMS, THE REGION AND WHERE FROM HERE?**

Chair: **Prof. Adeera Levin** (University of British Columbia, Canada)

• **Prof. Robyn Langham** (University of Melbourne, Australia) - the Forum series and future intentions.