20th Founding Anniversary

# ICAPP

## International Conference of Asian Political Parties

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# Founding Chairman's Message

Excellencies, dear friends and colleagues in ICAPP and allies in other realms,

Twenty years ago, on September 17-20, 2000, forty political parties from 21 Asian countries responded to our invitation to inaugurate the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP) in Manila.

Although few people thought it would be possible to bring together political parties with different ideologies under one roof in a common political house, we thought that with 40 major parties for a start - - those in power and those in opposition - - coming together to talk about shared solutions to problems they have in common was an achievement in itself.

Twenty years ago, we came together to write our own chapter in Asia's political history. And despite the diversity of our cultures and ideologies, we had moved together toward a political vision of what our continent could become.

Today, we the more than 350 political parties from 52 Asian countries, have been helping advance the causes of peace, security and development in our region and the international community through fraternal consultations and political cooperation.

We commend the ICAPP Secretariat based in Seoul, for meticulously attending to the myriad work of our organization.

We regard our endeavor as parallel to the efforts of our governments and parliaments to bring about Asia-wide stability and concord.

We regard as our greatest challenges the work of completing our political and economic modernization - - eradicating mass poverty - - combating terrorism, false ideologies and violent extremism - - battling climate change and diseases - - and enabling our peoples to cope with the technological and knowledge revolution.

To meet these challenges, Asia's leaderships must raise strong political will. And this political will, only Asia's political parties can provide. For, while governments come and go, parties remain - - as mechanisms for the peaceful transfer of political power.

We also see our end-object as that of setting the stage for the economic and political integration of the Asian region.

That this goal may seem utopian should not intimidate us.

And we do not think it should matter that our generation may never see the fruits of its labors.

What should matter is that we are taking the first steps - - on a journey of many, many steps and thousands of miles - - to arrive someday at the Asian destination and achieve the Asian dream.

For you and I, we are like old men and old women who plant trees we may never sit under.

But this is only fitting and proper, because - - as leaders and special representatives of the Asian political parties - - we are agents of the transcendent Asian community - - we are acting on behalf of the Asian future.

**Jose de Veneica**
Former Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Philippines

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# Co-Chairman's Message

Excellencies, Members of the ICAPP and all friends of the ICAPP!

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the launch of the ICAPP, I share with all of you the sense of real joy and fulfillment in the progress we have made over the last two decades. Taking this opportunity, I wish to pay special tribute to His Excellency Jose de Venecia, Founding Chairman of the ICAPP for his vision and leadership. And our deep thanks go to all the distinguished members of the Standing Committee and the leaders of all other members for their tremendous contributions and initiatives, which have enabled us to achieve continued progress of the ICAPP.

When we see the memorable photos in this booklet, I believe we will all proudly recall our achievements made during the past 20 years with a true sense of mission. We have shown great dedication in our joint endeavors for the successful development of the ICAPP. We have expanded its role and broadened its mission – indeed it now encompasses more than 300 political parties in over 50 countries in Asia. The institutionalization of our organization and its outreach to Europe, Africa, South America and North America have allowed us to explore and touch on substantive issues, the importance and benefits of which, are highly relevant to the people in our region and beyond. Throughout its various and frequent meetings, the ICAPP has been honored with the acknowledgement from, and active participation of political leaders at the highest level including heads of states and governments.

Although the global outbreak of COVID-19 has prevented us from organizing key meetings such as the General Assembly this year, our deep solidarity and close networks remain intact, serving as a powerful engine for further growth. This will enable us to open a new chapter in our mission as we strive to overcome the challenges of the present and future.

Looking forward to the next 20 years ahead, I am confident that our members will continue to embrace a concerted approach and engage in the activities of the ICAPP. With your full support and participation, we will be able to even further upgrade the standing and value of the ICAPP.

In closing, the Secretariat in Seoul also wishes to reaffirm its commitment to working faithfully to meet the needs of our members in carrying out and completing our lofty tasks on the path ahead. Thank you again so much for your support and understanding.

With best regards,

**Chung Eui-yong**
Special Advisor to the President for
Foreign Affairs and National Security
Republic of Korea

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# Introduction

The International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP) was launched in Manila in September 2000 to promote exchanges and cooperation between political parties with various ideologies from different Asian countries; to enhance mutual understanding and trust among Asian countries; to promote Asia's regional cooperation through the unique role and channel of political parties.

At first, few people thought it would be possible to bring together competing governing, opposition and independent political parties in Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia, Central Asia, West Asia, Middle East and Oceania. However, since its inception, the ICAPP has grown steadily in both membership and influence.

The ICAPP meetings have been visionary, cordial, constructive and successful. Simply by bringing together Asia's political leaders in regular fraternal assemblies, the ICAPP has become a positive force for mutual understanding among Asian countries and peoples. As of July 2020, more than 351 political parties in 53 countries in the region with diverse political and ideological backgrounds are eligible to participate in ICAPP activities.

The ICAPP has been strengthened with its solid and efficiently managed structure of the General Assembly, Standing Committee, its affiliated bodies, such as Committee on Environment, Youth Wing, Women's Wing, Media Forum, ICAPP Program for Disaster Assistance, Asia-Europe Political Forum, Asian Cultural Council and Tourism Promotion and Inter-City Cooperation Council, and Special Conferences.

In addition, the ICAPP and COPPPAL have successfully coordinated efforts to encourage political parties in Africa to establish a similar organization. As a result, the Council of African Political Parties (CAPP) was finally launched in Khartoum, Sudan, in April 2013. The first Conference of the CAPP held in Khartoum was attended by representatives of 35 political parties from five different sub-regions of Africa. Currently, the ICAPP is leading the initiative to convene the first trilateral meeting of political parties from Asia, Africa and Latin America in 2015. We hope that the CAPP, COPPPAL and the ICAPP will eventually evolve and develop into a global institution, encompassing political parties all around the world regardless of differences in ideological orientation.

In recognition of the ICAPP's role in bringing together various political parties to promote understanding and friendship among countries not only in Asia, but also in Latin America and Africa, a number of governments in the region, including those of Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Iran, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka and Vietnam, have signed the inter-governmental "MOU on Cooperation to Support the Activities of the ICAPP" since 2013. Now many more governments are expected to join in signing the MOU.

The ICAPP will continue to play a key role not only in building a cohesive community in Asia, but also in the global quest for a world of greater peace and prosperity.

# Major Achievements since 2000

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## Expanding Regional and Continental Cooperation

- Inter-governmental Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperation to Support the activities of the ICAPP
- Establishment of Cooperation Agreement between the UNESCO and the ICAPP
- Expansion of Participating Political Parties from 45 parties in 21 countries in September 2000 to over 351 parties in 53 countries in July 2020
- Joint Sessions with the COPPPAL
- Trilateral Meeting among the ICAPP, COPPPAL (Latin America), and CAPP (Africa)

## Establishment of Affiliated bodies

- Committee on Environment
- Youth Wing
- Women's Wing
- Media Forum
- Asia Europe Political Forum (AEPF)
- ICAPP Program for Disasters Assistance (IPDA)
- Asian Cultural Council (ACC)
- Tourism Promotion and Inter-City Cooperation (TOPIC) Council

## Institutionalization of the Three Pillars of the ICAPP

- General Assembly
- Standing Committee
- Special Conference

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# Materializing the Vision

- On July 26, 2013, an inter-governmental Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperation to Provide Support for ICAPP Activities was concluded among the governments in the region to officially recognize the ICAPP as an international organization supported by governments.
- So far, representatives of eleven governments, including Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Iran, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam, have signed the MOU.
- Concluded the Cooperation Agreement between the ICAPP and the UNESCO on October 17, 2018

# General Assembly Meetings

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- 1st - Manila, Sep. 2000
- 2nd - Bangkok, Nov. 2002
- 3rd - Beijing, Sep. 2004
- 4th - Seoul, Sep. 2006
- 5th - Astana, Sep. 2009
- 6th - Phnom Penh, Dec. 2010
- 7th - Baku, Dec. 2012
- 8th - Colombo, Sep. 2014
- 9th - Kuala Lumpur, Sep. 2016
- 10th - Moscow, Oct. 2018

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# Standing Committee Meetings

- 1st - Manila, Sep. 2000
- 2nd - Bangkok, Nov. 2002
- 3rd - Beijing, Sep. 2004
- 4th - Seoul, May 2005
- 5th - Seoul, June 2006
- 6th - Seoul, Sep. 2006
- 7th - Seoul, Feb. 2007
- 8th - Tehran, Nov. 2007
- 9th - Islamabad, Mar. 2008
- 10th - Astana, Mar. 2009
- 11th - Astana, Sep. 2009
- 12th - Kathmandu, Feb. 2010
- 13th - Kunming, Jul. 2010
- 14th - Phnom Penh, Dec. 2010
- 15th - Kuala Lumpur, May 2011
- 16th - Seoul, Oct. 2011
- 17th - Baku, June 2012
- 18th - Baku, Nov. 2012
- 19th - Hanoi, Apr. 2013
- 20th - Xi'an, May 2013
- Informal - Seoul, Sep. 2013
- 21st- Ankara, Nov. 2013
- 22nd- Vladivostok, May 30, 2014
- 23rd - Colombo, Sep. 2014
- 24th - Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 2015
- 25th - Beijing, Oct. 2015
- 26th - Jakarta, Apr. 2016
- 27th - Kuala Lumpur, Sep. 2016
- 28th - Seoul, July 2017
- 29th - Tehran, Feb. 2018
- 30th - London, May 2018
- 31st - Moscow, Oct. 2018
- 32nd - Colombo, Apr. 2019
- 33rd - Terengganu, Dec. 2019
- 34th - Online, Nov. 2020

# Special Conferences

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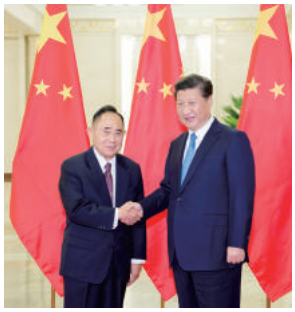

- Conference on State Subsidies for Mainstream Political Parties as a Means of Preventing Corruption (Seoul, May 2008)
- Conference on Constitution-Making in Nepal (Kathmandu, Jun. 2009)
- Conference on Poverty Alleviation (Kunming, Jul. 2010)
- Conference on Natural Disasters and Environmental Protection (Kuala Lumpur, May 2011)
- Conference on Development and People's Access (Nanning, Sep. 2011)
- Conference on Promoting Green Development and Building a Beautiful Asia (Xi'an, May 2013)
- Conference on Women's Leadership and Empowerment (Seoul, Sep. 2013)
- Conference on Russia for Asia: New Business Opportunities (Vladivostok, May 2015)
- Conference on the Silk Road (Beijing, Oct. 2015)
- Conference on Migration and Refugees (Istanbul, Nov. 2016)
- Conference on the Silk Road (Tehran, Feb. 2018)
- Conference on the Green Cities & Air Quality Improvement (Seoul, Oct. 2018)
- Video Conference on the COVID-19 Pandemic (Seoul, May 2020)

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# Establishment of Affiliated Groups Meetings

### Women's Wing

- 1st Meeting (Baku, Apr. 2013)
- 1st Workshop on Human Trafficking (Kathmandu, Jan. 2014)
- 2nd Meeting (Colombo, Sep. 2014)
- 2nd Workshop on Human Trafficking (Phnom Penh, Apr. 2015)
- 3rd Meeting (Baku, Sep. 2015)
- 3rd Workshop on Human Trafficking (Islamabad, Mar. 2016)
- 4th Meeting (Kuala Lumpur, Sep. 2016)
- 5th Meeting (Moscow, Oct. 2018)
- 6th Meeting (Baku, Sep. 2019)

### Youth Wing

- 1st Meeting (Kuala Lumpur, Oct. 2012)
- 2nd Meeting (Baku, Aug. 2013)
- 3rd Meeting (Colombo, Sep. 2014)
- 4th Meeting (Moscow, Oct. 2018)
- 5th Meeting (Baku, Sep. 2019)

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**IPDA**
(ICAPP Program for Disasters Assistance)

- 1st Meeting (Langkawi, Jun. 2010)
- 2nd Meeting (Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 2014)
- 3rd Meeting (Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 2015)
- 4th Meeting (Kuala Lumpur, Sep. 2016)

**Media Forum**

- 1st Media Forum (Seoul, Sep. 2015)
- 2nd Media Forum (Kuala Lumpur, Sep. 2016)
- 3rd Media Forum (Seoul, Jul. 2017)
- 4th Media Forum (Moscow, Oct. 2018)

**AEPF**
(Asia Europe Political Forum)

- 1st Meeting (Seoul, Jul. 2017)
- 2nd Meeting (London, May 2018)
- 3rd Meeting (Colombo, Apr. 2019)

**ACC**
(Asian Cultural Council)

- 1st Meeting (Siem Reap, Jan. 2019)

**TOPIC**
(Tourism Promotion and Inter-City Cooperation Council)

- 1st Meeting (Terengganu, Dec. 2019)

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# Expanding Regional and Continental Cooperation : Joint Sessions with the COPPPAL and ICAPP-COPPPAL-CAPP

- The 1st Joint Session between the Standing Committee of the ICAPP and the Coordinating Body of the COPPPAL (July 2009)
- The 2nd Joint Session between the Standing Committee of the ICAPP and the Coordinating Body of the COPPPAL (December 2010)
- The 3rd Joint Session between the Standing Committee of the ICAPP and the Coordinating Body of the COPPPAL (October 2012)
- The 4th Joint Session between the Standing Committee of the ICAPP and the Coordinating Body of the COPPPAL (October 2013)
- The 5th Joint Session between the Standing Committee of the ICAPP and the Coordinating Body of the COPPPAL (November 2014)

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Council of African Political Parties

# Trilateral Meeting among the ICAPP-COPPPAL-CAPP

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- 1st Meeting (Jakarta, Apr. 2016)
- 2nd Meeting (Tegucigalpa, Nov. 2017)
- 3rd Meeting (Moscow, Oct. 2018)

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# Members of the Standing Committee

**Jose de Venecia, Jr.**
Founding Chairman
**Philippines**

**Chung Eui-yong**
Co-Chairman
**Republic of Korea**

**Khuon Sudary**
Vice Chairperson
**Cambodia**

**Guo Yezhou**
Vice Chairperson
**China**

**Mushahid Hussain Sayed**
Vice Chairperson
**Pakistan**

**Andrei Klimov**
Vice Chairperson
**Russian Federation**

**Australia /**
**Liberal Party**

**Ali Javad Ahmadov**
**Azerbaijan**

**Abdul Matin Khasru**
**Bangladesh**

**Rahgir Almahe Ershad**
**Bangladesh**

**S.K.P. Norodom Ranariddh**
**Cambodia**

**Vijay Jolly**
**India**

**Anand Sharma**
**India**

**Charles Honoris**
**Indonesia**

**Theo L. Sambuaga**
**Indonesia**

**Hassan Ghafouri Fard**
**Iran**

**Mohammad Reza Sarmadi**
**Iran**

**Japan / New**
**Komeito Party**

# Members of the Standing Committee

**Bauyrzhan Baibek**
**Kazakhstan**

**Cho Jeong-sik**
**Republic of Korea**

**Ha Tae-keung**
**Republic of Korea**

**Youssef Awad**
**Lebanon**

**Fadi Fawaz**
**Lebanon**

**Shahidan bin Kassim**
**Malaysia**

**Chong Sin Woon**
**Malaysia**

**Mongolia /**
**Democratic Party**

**Saikhansanaa Khurelbaatar**
**Mongolia**

**U Mahn Jonny**
**Myanmar**

**U Wunna Maung Lwin**
**Myanmar**

**Jhalanath Khanal**
**Nepal**

**Sujata Koirala**
**Nepal**

**Daya Gamage**
**Sri Lanka**

**Dilan Perera**
**Sri Lanka**

**Nalinee Taveesin**
**Thailand**

**Chamni Sakdiset**
**Thailand**

**Efkan Ala**
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**Vietnam**

**Cho Byung-jae**
Secretary General
**Republic of Korea**

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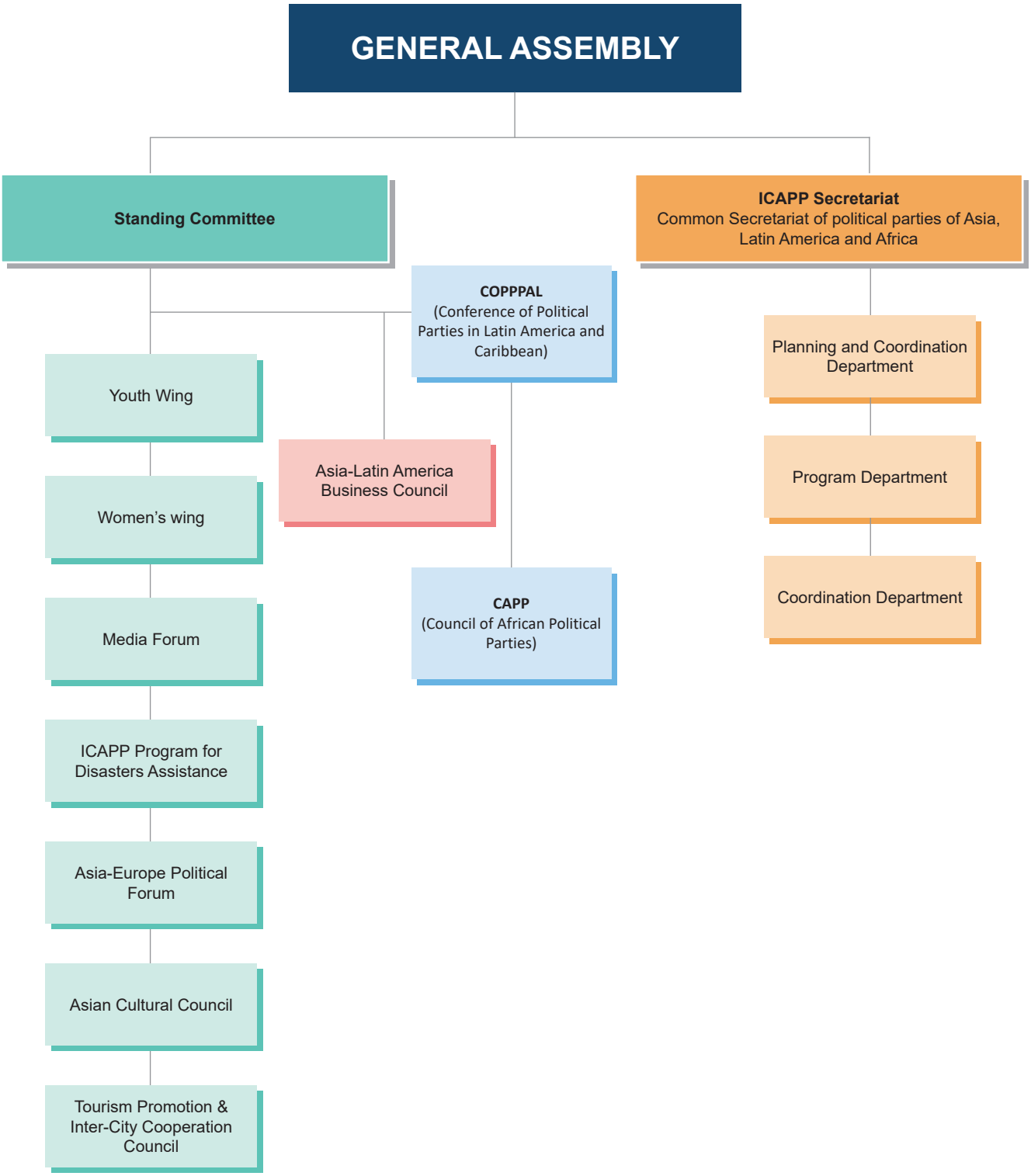

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## ICAPP Charter

(As adopted at the 4th General Assembly on September 10, 2006 and
amended at the 5th General Assembly on September 26, 2009,
amended at the 7th General Assembly on November 23, 2012 and
amended at the 8th General Assembly on September 19, 2014)

### PREAMBLE

We, the leaders and representatives of political parties in Asia, gathered for the Fourth General Assembly of the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (hereinafter referred to as the "ICAPP") in Seoul, Republic of Korea, from September 7 to 10, 2006,

**UPHOLDING** the United Nations' Charter, and the principles of mutual respect for territorial integrity and sovereignty, mutual non-aggression, mutual non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful co-existence;

**RECOGNIZING** the immense potential of Asia to become the political, economic, and social center of the global stage in the twenty first century if permanent peace and shared prosperity is achieved in the region

**REALIZING** that challenges in Asia can be more efficiently and effectively addressed if the political leaders of the region unite through sustained dialogue by building mutual confidence and fellowship, by seeking political consensus through consultation and sharing of experiences, and by developing common political strategies

**RECALLING** that a regularly held gathering of political leaders in the region is an effective tool in seeing the potential of Asia become a reality since it fosters such sustained dialogue

**HAVING HELD** the First General Assembly of the ICAPP in September 2000 in Manila, Republic of the Philippines, followed by the Second and Third General Assemblies in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand in November 2002 and Beijing, People's Republic of China in September 2004, respectively

**DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** that the Articles set forth in this Charter shall govern the objectives, institutional arrangements, and activities of the ICAPP.

### ARTICLES

#### CHAPTER I. OBJECTIVES

##### Article 1

The objectives of the ICAPP shall be:
a. to promote exchanges and cooperation between political parties with various ideologies in Asia;
b. to enhance mutual understanding and trust among the peoples and countries in the region;
c. to promote regional cooperation through the unique role and channel of political parties and
d. to create an environment for sustained peace and shared prosperity in the region.

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## CHAPTER II. MEMBERSHIP

### Article 2

1. The ICAPP shall be open to political parties in Asia with democratically elected members in the parliaments of their respective countries, which are Member States of the United Nations.

2. Under certain circumstances, the Standing Committee of the ICAPP (hereinafter referred to as the "Standing Committee") may decide to extend invitations to organizations or groups, which do not fulfill the criteria above, to participate in the activities of the ICAPP, as Observers, including attending the General Assembly of the ICAPP (hereinafter referred to as the "General Assembly"), in the interests of rendering the activities of the ICAPP more inclusive and representative of the diversities existing in Asia.

### Article 3

1. For the purposes of this Charter, the term "parliament" shall mean any national body performing legislative functions of that country. The term "political party" shall mean any political organization which has been legally formed and recognized in the respective countries.

## CHAPTER III. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### Article 4

1. In furtherance of the objectives of the ICAPP, as prescribed in Article 1 of this Charter, a General Assembly shall be held once every two (2) years on a rotational basis among its members, unless otherwise decided by the Standing Committee. It shall be held, in principle, for three (3) working days in the latter half of the year.

2. The General Assembly shall be, in principle, composed of the following program:
   a. Opening Ceremony;
   b. Plenary Session and Thematic Committee meetings;
   c. Special Workshops and other events upon the approval of the Standing Committee
   d. Standing Committee meetings; and
   e. Closing Ceremony

### Article 5

1. All members interested in hosting the following General Assembly shall submit written notification to the Standing Committee before the conclusion of the previous General Assembly.

2. The venue and the host(s) for the following General Assembly shall be determined by consensus at the Standing Committee meeting.

### Article 6

1. The main theme and up to three (3) sub themes of the General Assembly, which are consistent with the objectives of the ICAPP, shall be proposed by the host(s) and approved by the Standing Committee.

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2. The main theme of the General Assembly shall be discussed at the Plenary Session. The sub themes of the General Assembly shall be discussed at the Thematic Committee meetings.

3. Any member may submit proposals for the main theme and sub themes of the General Assembly to the Standing Committee. Such proposals must be made in writing before the conclusion of the previous General Assembly.

4. In addition to the Plenary Session and the Thematic Committee meetings held during the General Assembly, special workshops on specific issues, which are relevant to the ICAPP, may be held upon the approval of the Standing Committee.

### Article 7

1. The Bureau of the General Assembly (hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau") shall be comprised of one (1) Chairperson and up to five (5) Vice Chairpersons for the Plenary Session, and (1) Chairperson and up to three (3) Vice Chairpersons for each Thematic Committee meeting. The list of candidates for the Bureau will be prepared by the Standing Committee and recommended to the General Assembly for its approval at the Opening Ceremony by consensus.

2. The Chairpersons of the Plenary Session and the Thematic Committee meetings shall prepare the list of speakers at the Plenary Sessions and Thematic Committee meetings in accordance with the order of application or request from the members.

3. In case that the General Assembly is co-hosted by two or more number of political parties of a country, the Bureau of the General Assembly may be comprised of Co-Chairpersons

### Article 8

1. The political party, or parties, hosting the General Assembly shall bear the primary expenses of the General Assembly.

2. The primary expenses include logistical arrangements for the General Assembly, i.e., conference facilities, domestic transportation, etc. The primary expenses shall not include, inter alia, international transportation to and from the location of the General Assembly.

3. For the purposes of holding the General Assembly, the political party, or parties, hosting the General Assembly may seek voluntary contributions from members of the ICAPP and other organizations.

## CHAPTER IV. STANDING COMMITTEE

### Article 9

1. A Standing Committee, composed of the representatives of political parties of not exceeding twenty-three (23) countries in the region, shall be established.

2. The Members of the Standing Committee, who will serve for two years from the end of a General Assembly until the end of the following General Assembly, shall be nominated at the Standing Committee held on the margins of the General Assembly and approved by the General Assembly.

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3. Members of the Standing Committee shall actively participate in all ICAPP activities and programs. If a member, or his or her designated representative from the same political party, fails to attend the Standing Committee meetings for more than two (2) consecutive times, without providing reasonable cause of absence, the membership of the party in the Standing Committee may be revoked by the decision of the Standing Committee.

4. The membership in the Standing Committee may be shared by up to two (2) principal political parties from each country, which is invited to the Standing Committee, with equal status and responsibility.

### Article 10

1. The Standing Committee will make decisions on the venue, main theme, and sub themes of the General Assembly as provided in Article 6. Additionally, it shall lay out the procedures of the Plenary Session and Thematic Committee meetings and any other matters as outlined in this Charter.

2. For the purposes of performing its duties, as prescribed in the foregoing, the Standing Committee meeting shall be held at least once a year, including its meetings during the General Assembly.

### Article 11

1. One (1) Chairperson and one (1) Vice Chairperson of the Standing Committee shall be elected by consensus of the members of the Standing Committee during the General Assembly. The Chairperson shall serve for two (2) years or until the next General Assembly is held.

2. The Chairperson shall preside over the Standing Committee meetings, held pursuant to Article 10 of this Charter, and represent the ICAPP during the period between the General Assemblies.

3. In the event that the Chairperson is no longer able to serve his or her term before its completion, the Vice Chairperson will assume the position until the following Standing Committee meeting is held.

## CHAPTER V. SECRETARIAT

### Article 12

The Secretariat of the ICAPP shall be established to execute the following functions, among others:

1. to maintain and update the list of the political parties in the region, a database for the ICAPP activities and the official website(www.theicapp.org);

2. to provide necessary information and assistance to the members of the ICAPP, in particular the members of the Standing Committee and the host of the General Assembly in assuming their roles in the ICAPP activities; and

3. to establish contacts and promote cooperation with other international or regional organizations of political parties, and other international or regional parliamentary organizations.

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### Article 13

1. The Secretariat shall comprise a Secretary General and such staff as the ICAPP activities may require. The Secretary General shall be appointed by the Standing Committee. The appointment shall be subject to confirmation at the General Assembly.

2. The Secretary General shall act in that capacity in all ICAPP meetings and perform such other functions as are entrusted by the General Assembly and/or the Standing Committee.

## CHAPTER VI: AMENDMENTS

### Article 14

1. Proposals to amend this Charter shall be made in writing and submitted to the Chairperson of the Standing Committee at least three (3) months in advance prior to the commencement of the General Assembly.

2. The Chairperson of the Standing Committee shall, without delay, communicate such proposal(s) to the members of the Standing Committee who shall then review the proposals and present a joint report with recommendation(s) to the following General Assembly.

3. The proposal(s) shall be reviewed and adopted as amendment(s) to the Charter by the consensus of the General Assembly.

## CHAPTER VII: WORKING LANGUAGE

### Article 15

1. The working language of the ICAPP shall be English.

2. During the General Assembly, however, if any member provides his or her own simultaneous interpreter(s) from his or her native language to English, the host(s) of the meeting will provide facilities for simultaneous interpretation.

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