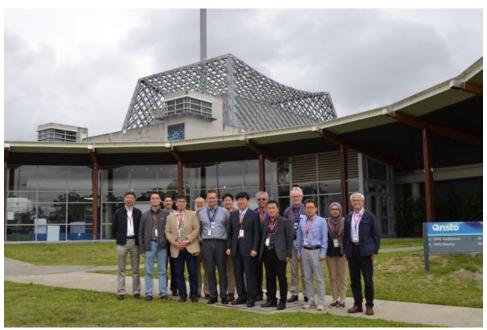
Asia-Oceania Neutron Scattering Association (AONSA): 16th Facility Director (FD) and 21st Executive Committee (EC) Meetings

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The FD meeting was held on 16 November 2018 at ANSTO, Sydney, Australia. It was attended by Fangwei Wang (CSNS), Sungil Park (HANARO), Kenji Nakajima (J-PARC), Jamie Schulz (OPAL), Kai Sun (CARR) and Guang-ai Sun (CMRR). In addition, Brendan Kennedy (University of Sydney), Dongfeng Chen (CIAE), Jae-Ho Chung (KNBUA / Korea U), Hsiung Chou (TWNSS / National Sun Yat-Sen University), Shih-Chun Chung (TWNSS / NSRRC), Julie Andrianny Murshidi (Malaysian Community / Nuclear Malaysia), Garry McIntyre (ANSTO) and David Vittorio (ANSTO) were participated as observers. Masayasu Takeda (JRR-3), S. M. Yusuf (BARC) and Iwan Sumirat (BATAN) were apologized for not coming to this meeting.

The meeting was chaired by Sungil Park. All attendees introduced themselves, confirmed the purpose and role of FD meeting, approved the agenda and reviewed the last meeting notes. After that, facility representatives gave reports about their facilities according to the previously agreed standard format. There was a lively discussion on the challenges, opportunities and cooperation of neutron facilities afterward, especially on the new regulation that limits neutron source operation in Korea. Regarding the facility report standardization, directors also discussed the practice of selecting high impact publications.



Participants of the FD and EC meetings pose for a group photo: Fangwei Wang, Kai Sun, David Vittorio, Kenji Nakajima, Brendan Kennedy, Jamie Schulz, Dongfeng Chen, Sungil Park, Shih-Chun Chung, Guang-ai Sun, Garry McIntyre, Jae-Ho Chung, Julie Andrianny Murshidi, and Hsiung Chou (from left to right)

The EC meeting was held on 17 November 2018 at Tradies Caringbah near ANSTO. Six EC members, seven observers representing neutron facilities in the Asia-Oceania region and three special observers joined the meeting. Tracy Rushmer (Macquarie University) and Shih-Chun Chung (NSRRC) newly joined the meeting as EC members representing ANBUG and TWNSS respectively. Thitirat Rattanawongwiboon (TINT) and Julie Andrianny Murshidi (Nuclear Malaysia) were also new observers representing Thailand and Malaysian communities. Garry McIntyre as Research Leader of Australian Center for Neutron Scattering was also attended as special observer.

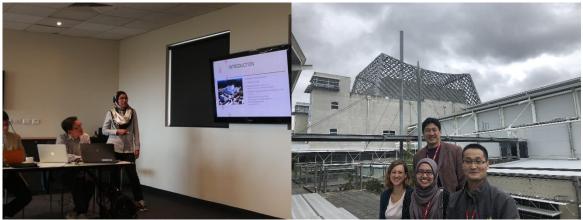
The most intensively discussed topic during the EC meeting was the selection of 2019 AONSA Young Research Fellows. Three fellows had been selected where one fellow will be hosted by J-PARC and another two fellows by ANSTO. The 5th AONSA Prize was also announced where Mahn Won Kim, the 1st President of AONSA became the winner among three candidates.

The summary report of the 10th AONSA Neutron School which was just completed at ANSTO was given by Tracy Rushmer of ANBUG. The 11th AONSA Neutron School will be held in Daejeon, Korea. CMRR will host the 22nd EC meeting in Mianyang in late May 2019. The 23rd EC will be held in Taiwan during the 3rd AOCNS. The member societies and observer communities were also reported on their recent activities.

After both meetings, all participants had dinner at The Bridge Restaurant, Woronora and The Loft Restaurant, Caringbah sponsored by AONSA's host.



Participants during EC meeting (left) and enjoying their dinner at The Loft Restaurant, Caringbah (right).



Author gave presentation on 'New Neutron Beam Facilities Planned For Reactor Triga PUSPATI (left) and had the chance to mingle in a relaxed atmosphere with other delegates at the meetings.

OPAL (Australia's Open Pool Australian Lightwater reactor)

HANARO (High Flux Advanced Neutron Application reactor, Korea)

J-PARC (Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex)

CARR (The China Advanced Research Reactor)

CMRR (The China Mianyang Research Reactor)

JRR-3 (Japan Research Reactor-3)

CIAE (Chinese Institute of Atomic Energy)

NSRRC (The National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center, Taiwan)

BARC (The Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, India)

BATAN (Badan Tenaga Nuklir Nasional, Indonesia)

ANSTO (Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation)

CNSS (The Chinese Neutron Scattering Society)

KNBUA (The Korean Neutron Beam Users Association)

TWNSS (The Taiwan Neutron Science Society)

ANBUG (The Australia-New Zealand Neutron Beam Users Group)