

International Conference Program
Leadership for Global Health: Advancing Nursing and Health Care Systems
June 8–9, 2026
Venue: Grand Richmond Stylish Convention Hotel, Nonthaburi, Thailand

Day 1: Monday, June 8, 2026

Theme: Transforming Nursing through Digital Innovation and Human-Centered Leadership

- 08:30–09:00 Registration
- 09:00–09:30 Opening Ceremony
- 09:30–10:00 Keynote 1: Investment in Health and Education for Real-World Impact
 Prof. Piyamitr Sritara
 President, Mahidol University, Thailand
- 10:00–10:45 Keynote 2: Leading with Wisdom: Active Aging as the World Treasure
 Prof. Afaf Meleis
 Dean Emerita, University of Pennsylvania and Professor Emerita, University of
 California, San Francisco, USA
- 10:45–11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00–12:00 Plenary Session 1: Agile Technology and Digital Transformation in Nursing Education
 and Training
 Prof. Valerie Howard
 Dean, School of Nursing, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
 Assoc. Prof. Wilson Tam
 Deputy Head (Research) of Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies (NUS nursing),
 National University of Singapore, Singapore
 Prof. Hsu, Yu-Yun
 Department of Nursing, National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan
- 12:00–13:00 Lunch

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13:00–17:00 Concurrent Session

A Tribute and Celebration Dinner in Honor of Assoc. Prof. Tassana Boonthong's 84th Birthday Anniversary

18:00 Gala Dinner Opening Speech: The Lasting Impression on the Influencing Leader

Clinical Prof. Emeritus Piyasakol Sakolsatayadorn

President of the University council at Mahidol University, Thailand

18:30 Dinner Talk: Nursing Living Legacy – Empowering Generations, Transforming Care, Inspiring the Future

Theme: Leading the Future of Health Systems through Care, Partnership, and Sustainable Impact

08:30–09:00 Registration

09:00–10:20 Plenary Session 2: Leading the Future of Nursing: Driving Innovation and Value-Based Care for Lasting Impact

Prof. Ying Wu

Dean of Clinical Nursing College, Capital Medical University, China

Asst. Prof. Thitipong Tankumpuan

Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Nursing, Mahidol University, Thailand

Prof. Eun-Ok Im

Dean of School of Nursing, University of Texas at Austin, USA

10:20-10.35 Coffee break

10:35-12:00 **Plenary Session 3: Nurse Empowerment Through Education and Advanced Practice for Economic and Population Health Impact**

Prof. Siriorn Sindhu

President, Nurses' Association of Thailand, Thailand

Assoc. Prof. Zhou Wentao

Program Director for Master of Nursing, Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies (NUS nursing), National University of Singapore, Singapore

Prof. Nopphol Witvorapong

Dean of Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00-13:45 **Keynote 3: Sustaining the Power of Nursing for Future Generations**

Prof. Patricia Davidson

Vice Chancellor's Fellow and Co-Director of the International Centre for Future Health Systems, the University of New South Wales, Australia

13:45-15:00 **Plenary Session 4: Strategic Direction of the Nursing Workforce for Future-Ready Healthcare**

Prof. Michele Rumsey

Director, WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Development, the Western Pacific Region (WPRO)

Midori Anami Akimoto

Regional Nursing Officer,

WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific Region (WPRO)

Ai Tanimizu

Technical Officer for Nursing & Midwifery,

WHO Regional Office for South East Asia (SEARO)

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15:00–15:30 **Keynote 4: Strategic Partnership for Sustainable Growth of Nursing and Health Systems**

Howard Catton

Chief Executive Officer, International Council of Nurses

15:30–15:45 **Closing Ceremony**

Assoc. Prof. Ameporn Ratinthorn

Dean of Faculty of Nursing, Mahidol University, Thailand

Note: The schedule is subject to change as appropriate.



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As health systems navigate an era of digital disruption and aging populations, visionary nursing leadership is the essential driver for systemic transformation. Join us for a two-day strategic summit to examine how nursing leaders can bridge the gap between technological innovation and human-centered wisdom to build resilient health systems and redefine the profession's economic and social value in a sustainable global health economy.



WORLD-CLASS KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Prof. Piyamitr Sritara

President, Mahidol University

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SPECIAL EVENT: NURSING LIVING LEGACY GALA

June 8, 2026 | 18:00 onwards

A special tribute to **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tassana Boonthong**, celebrating a visionary leader whose dedication has transformed nursing education and policy in Thailand and beyond.



WHY ATTEND?

- Network with policy shapers from ICN, WHO, and top-tier global universities.
- Gain Insights into scaling innovative care models for global sustainability.
- Present Research in our concurrent scientific sessions.



STRATEGIC PLENARY TRACKS

- ▶ **Agile Digital Transformation**
Reshaping education through AI and data-driven learning for future nursing leaders.
- ▶ **Value-Based Care**
Driving clinical innovation to enhance quality, efficiency, and health equity.
- ▶ **Economic Impact**
Quantifying the Return on Investment (ROI) of advanced nursing practice.
- ▶ **Future-Ready Workforce**
Strategic planning for demographic shifts and emerging health challenges.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS!

Submission Deadline

March 15, 2026



REGISTRATION FEE

International participants	230 USD
Thai Participants	4,500 Baht

