

Appeal

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Dear President:

We are pleased to report that the IUCr South Asia Summit Meetings on Vistas in Structural Chemistry in Karachi, Pakistan during April 28-30, 2014, has provided us an opportunity to extensively discuss and review the status of education and research in X-ray diffraction sciences in various countries and in the region.

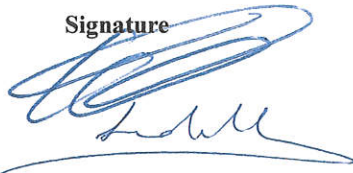
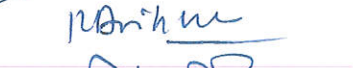




















Over 380 senior researchers and young students from some 22 countries have participated in the event. Many of us were engaged in extensive discussions focusing on the promotion of regional and international cooperation in the field of X-ray diffraction/crystallography/drug design and discovery, in line with the objectives of the International Year of Crystallography.


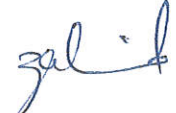


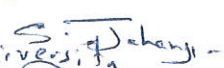







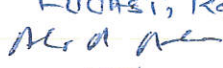




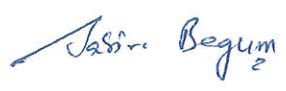


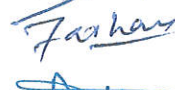


Through this letter, we request the IUCr to initiate actions to promote regional scientific collaboration including joint holding of training workshops, video-based lecturing, encouraging mobility of researchers, promoting joint research projects, leveraging national bodies and institutions for financial support and facilitating regional conferences on the subject of X-ray diffraction and its applications in the South Asian and South East Asian regions.

With very best regards

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