Brief CV-Prof. Indika Mahesh Karunathilaka

Indika Karunathilaka is the Professor Head of the Department of Medical Education at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo. He is also the Head of the WHO Collaborating Centre for Medical Education, University of Colombo. He has conducted extensive research and authored over 30 publications in peer reviewed international journals and made over 150 presentations at international level. Prof. Indika has been a resource person in Medical Education for many national, regional and international forums.

In his capacity as a Medical Educationist, Prof. Indika Karunathilaka has made a significant contribution towards curriculum development, curriculum evaluation, and staff development for all Faculties of Medicine in Sri Lanka and thereby contributing to the quality improvement of undergraduate education. He has worked in close collaboration with Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC) in many instances in issues related to medical education.

Prof. Indika Karunathilaka was the Secretary of the Sri Lanka Medical Association (SLMA) in 2008 and 2010, and is among the handful of medical professionals who held this prestigious position more than once. He has also held the position of the Vice President of SLMA in 2014. Currently he is the President of the College of Medical Educationists (CME) in Sri Lanka.

He has made significant contribution towards at the regional and global level through his involvement with several leading international organization related to Medicine and Medical Education such as the World Health Organization (WHO), Asia Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health (APACPH), Asia Pacific Action Alliance on Human Resources (AAAH) and South East Regional Association for Medical Education (SEARAME). Prof. Karunathilaka's experience and expertise in Medical Education would be a much needed assets for the SLMC.