INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL DEVICE CONFERENCE 2017

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Speakers and participants at the International Medical Device Conference 2017 in Penang, Malaysia

A/Prof John Lim, Executive Director, CoRE was invited to present his insights and experience at the recently held International Medical Device Conference 2017. The Conference was hosted by the Medical Device Authority of Malaysia and inaugurated by the Honourable Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam, Minister of Health, Malaysia.

The purpose of this conference was to provide a forum to discuss and share experiences on the quality, safety and regulation of medical devices. Speakers and participants contributed towards these perspectives resulting in meaningful discussions during the conference. At the forum, the medical device industry were well represented by members from regulatory authorities and the industry within Asia and the region.

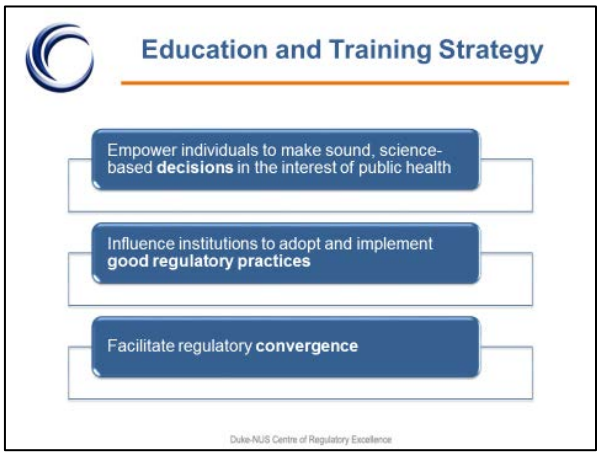
The International Medical Device Conference focused on providing updates on global regulatory requirements and discussing current issues facing the medical device sector. Sessions at the conference addressed the topics of:

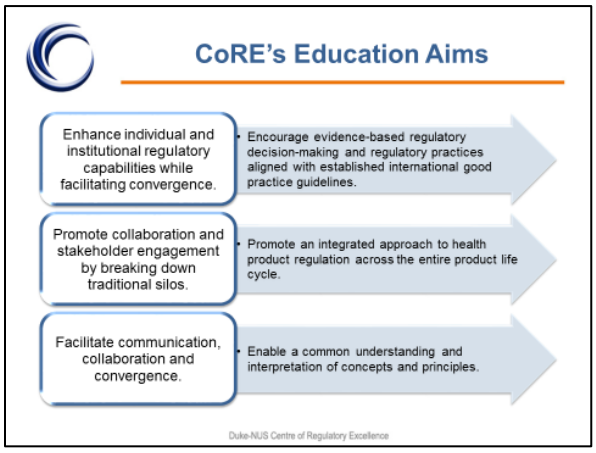
- *Ensuring safety and performance of medical devices*
- *Embracing regulatory requirements on specific areas of medical devices*
- *Regulatory pathway considerations for new and developing technologies*
- *Securing the IT environment – What can happen and who are the stakeholders*

A/Prof John Lim sharing his insights on 'Strengthening Regulation to Support Innovation'

Based on the theme of the Conference, A/Prof. John Lim was invited to speak on the topic of 'Strengthening Regulation to Support Innovation'. During his presentation, Prof. Lim emphasised that as regulatory science continuously develops, new approaches to assess the safety, efficacy, quality, and performance of products are required and these pave the way for supporting innovation and promising medical therapies. Good regulation is an enabler and facilitates timely access to health products.

Further, Prof. Lim emphasized through his presentation on the need for a structured education and training framework as one of the main pillars for regulatory system strengthening and capacity building, with the key aim of enhancing individual and institutional regulatory capabilities and enabling learners to gain practical skills.





The conference concluded with a unique opportunity for attendees from regulatory authorities to visit a local manufacturing plant for medical devices, gaining valuable perspectives on the plant's quality management system approaches.

Regulatory authorities on a site visit to B.Braun Medical Industries in Penang, Malaysia