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SIG/Committee Name: Developing Countries SIG Date: 16 May. 23

Co-Chairs: Adesola Odole, Liliane Lins-Kusterer, Vijava K Gothwal

Mission: This Regional Network identifies the social and economic issues and concerns that impact health and health related quality of life in developing countries to inform future research, practice, and policy recommendations. It also serves as a link between the members of this SIG and other SIGs to bring these social and economic issues and concerns to audiences where they may not otherwise be represented. We invite you to join us in addressing the challenges of measuring the quality of life in developing countries, considering language, and cultural barriers, the ethics of research in situations of poverty, and reduced autonomy.

Board Liaison: Elizabeth Unni

Project/Objective	Actions/Deliverables	Methods, Theory or Application Project	Project Chair	Project Members	Timeline
	Member in the spotlight – we	Use virtual platforms	Liliane Lins-	SIG members	Plan for 3 times
Knowledge dissemination	will invite SIG members to	such as Zoom to	Kusterer,		a year
	present results from their	share Powerpoint	Adesola C		
	current work to disseminate	presentations, videos,	Odole, and		
	information to other members	and other media.	Vijaya K		
	and stimulate cooperation		Gothwal		
	among SIG members.				
	To create the opportunity of	Use virtual platforms	Liliane Lins-	SIG members	Plan for 3 times
Collaboration	allowing SIG members to	such as Zoom to	Kusterer,		a year
	submit ideas and proposals for	share Powerpoint	Adesola C		
	collaborative projects at our	presentations, videos,	Odole, and		
	quarterly meetings.	and other media.	Vijaya K		
			Gothwal		
	Hosting of SIG members	Use virtual platforms	Lilliane Lins-	SIG members	To be
Membership Drive	virtual meetings - To increase	such as Zoom to	Kusterer,		coordinated as
	awareness about qualitative	share Powerpoint	Adesola C.		part of sessions
	research and ISOQOL in our	presentations, videos,	Odole, and		mentioned
	different regions so as to	and other media.	Vijaya K		above
	increase the membership in		Gothwal		
	this SIG				

Issues Requiring Board Attention:

The Developing Nations SIG encountered some difficulties in better interaction and planning between the co-chairs, given the time zone difference. In a meeting, we decided to carry out activities across continents according to their time zone, allowing for alternation of leadership in the organization of SIG meetings.