

# Shaking Hands: From the President

- **In the last four years:**
- **Earthquake engineers and seismologists shake hands, as represented by the IAEE-IASPEI Dialogue**
- **CTBT community and seismological community shake hands, as represented by the ISS and the Union Session**
- **Scientific community shake hands with industry, as represented by GEM**
- **Shaking hands between seismologists in IUGG member countries/regions and those in the countries/regions which have not been the IUGG member, as represented by the ISC-IASPEI Networking project**
- **Shaking hands among ESC and ASC, and the coming LASC, and African Seismological Committee**

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- **In the next four years:**
- **Shake hands with young colleagues**
- **Shake hands with the digital time (bottom-line is to provide materials to Alice for our website)**
  
- **IASPEI promotes:**
- **Shaking hands between those who think that earthquakes cannot be predicted, and those who think that earthquakes can be predicted**
- **Shaking hands between those who think that probabilistic approach for seismic hazard works better, and those who think that deterministic approach works better**
- **Shaking hands between seismological and geodetic communities and geochemical and mineral physics communities**
- **Shaking hands between seismological information service and decision-making for the reduction of earthquake disasters**

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- **Last but not the least:**
- **Grazie to Peter, the excellent secretary general, and the bureau, as well as the EC**
- **Sebasiba to Alexy, Mohsen, Hirihara-san, as well as other commissioners**
- **Heilimanung, Arigado Gozhaimasu, and Ganchamida, ... to our National Committees**
- **Thanks to Claude, Brian, and Bob, our past presidents who have been supporting us by all the means**
- **Xie xie, and Danke to Willie Lee, Peter Bormann, among others. who are not here with us this time, but have significant contributions**
- **and**
- **Thanks, to you all**