



**VIRTUAL
PEACE AMBASSADORS
PROGRAM REPORT 2023**

September 9 & 16, 2023

BCIO
BRIDGE CLUB INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

APCC
Asian-Pacific Children's
Convention in FUKUOKA

We are the
BRIDGE

THE APCC VISION

**We are the
BRIDGE**

*We, as members of APCC,
will become global citizens
with an **OMOIYARI** spirit,
Creating a more peaceful world
where the smiles of children
abound.*

****OMOIYARI** is the spirit of
Respect and Understanding*

THE BCIO PROMISE

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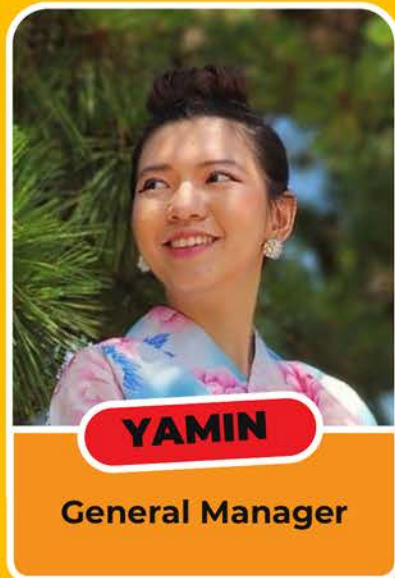
*We, BCIO members,
promise to achieve
PEACE and **CO-EXISTENCE**
throughout the world
by promoting
Respect and Understanding
between all people
and creating a bridge
that joins us together.*

*We are the **BRIDGE**.*

PEACE AMBASSADORS 2023

COUNTRY	NAME	JA YEAR
Atlanta	Jamie Rivka McLaren Marlowe	2016
Australia	Chloe Rose Martin	2014
Bangladesh	Adiba Ibnat Shaira	2015
Bhutan	Thinley Wangchuk	2009
Cambodia	Sok Chan Linda	2014
Hawaii	Joanna Alexa Sato	2018
India	Unnati Sitaram Rathi	2016
Indonesia	Lula Yasminabel	2016
Ipoh	Raevenkumar Selvakumaran	2015
Laos	Khaimook Pavarisa Phrasithideth	2018
Maldives	Iba Ibrahim	2015
Myanmar	Min Khant	2018
Nepal	Sulav Neupane	2016
Pakistan	Rahul Kumar Otwani	2017
Papua New Guinea	Glory Geoffrina Pokarop	2018
Peru	Fabricio Andres Apolaya Napa	2016
Philippines	Benito Carlos Datiles Roberto	2018
Sri Lanka	Lakshani Melani Wijesinghe	2016
Taiwan	Chun Cheng Yeh	2015
Vietnam	Triet Minh Le	2017

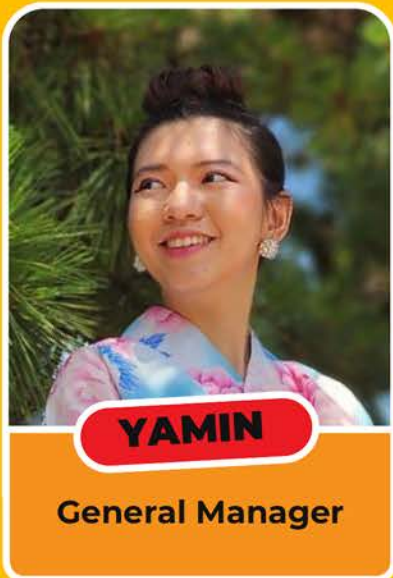
BCIO MANAGEMENT 2023-2025



BCIO HEAD OFFICE MEMBERS 2023-2024



Message from the BCIO General Manager



First of all, I would like to congratulate the 2023 BCIO Head Office Members and Peace Ambassadors! During the Virtual PA camp, I was able to witness their dedication and OMOIYARI spirit. The 2023 Virtual PA camp was successful because of their teamwork and affection towards APCC and BCIO. Each Peace Ambassador has their **own unique leadership skills and creativity.**

I am truly grateful to the BCIO Assistant Manager: Moiz and Garima, and 2023 BCIO Head Officer Members: Chanel, Raia, and Matthew for their impressive leadership in organizing the 2023 Virtual PA Camp. The Peace Ambassadors from 20 countries are truly talented and passionate leaders. It was a memorable experience, and I am excited to meeting them in person during the PA camp in Fukuoka. We are looking forward to the Head Office Members and Peace Ambassadors further guidance for the **young leaders of our APCC-BCIO network.** We hope that our dreams for “Peace and Co-existence” will be achieved because of the gifted ambassadors.

We are the BRIDGE!

TSU YAMIN
BCIO General Manager 2023-2025

Message from the BCIO Assistant Managers



We are thrilled to welcome our Head Office Members and Peace Ambassadors for the year 2023. This year marks the start of a new PA Camp structure with a Virtual Camp in Q4 followed by an in person camp in July of next year. This new performance based PA Camp structure will help facilitate **active participation** of BC members and PAs within their BRIDGE CLUBS and BCIO.

Witnessing the Virtual PA Camp 2023 was such an amazing experience. We were able to enjoy the active participation of our PAs along with amazing sessions from our HOMs. We loved the display of **leadership** paired with **Omoiyari Spirit** and a passion to contribute back to the APCC & BCIO network to meet their goals with their bright ideas. We look forward to meeting them in Fukuoka, Japan in July 2024!

M. MOIZ A. QAZI & GARIMA KHAKUREL
BCIO Assistant Managers 2023-2025

Message from the BCIO Head Office Members



I have always dreamed of being in the role of HOM and this virtual PA was a **dream come true**. The amount of energy and enthusiasm from everyone involved has been beyond my expectations. I feel very proud to lead such a fresh group of PAs. They have a lot of work ahead of them but I am very sure they will be able to execute their goals they have set.

I cannot wait to see everyone in Fukuoka, Japan next year at APCC. I really think it will be **one of the best camps** we have had due to the dedication and focus of the teams involved.

CHANEL TIFFANY PARDOE
 BCIO HOM 2023-2024



Meeting all the PAs, albeit virtually, has reminded me of the fond memories from some years ago when I was also a PA myself. As much as I hope to share my experiences and inspire, I am also equally, if not more, **inspired by the passion and motivation** of all the PAs this year. These are the qualities that will drive the **next generation** of APCC forward. I would also like to express all my thanks to my fellow HOMs, Raia and Chanel, as well as everyone else in the BCIO Management Team for their unwavering support. I look forward to embarking on this journey ahead with all of you.

MATTHEW WONG
 BCIO HOM 2023-2024



Kicking off from being part of the Special PA Program in 2022, I'm glad to welcome the Peace Ambassadors for 2023-2024! These kiddos are a talented bunch and their active presence online is a great mix of **purpose-drivenness and genuine friendship**. Crossing over to the other side of the fence as a BCIO HOM has also been quite the experience, and I would like to thank my co-HOMs Chanel and Matthew (we were PA's in consecutive years, too!) and the BCIO Management Team for the synergy and high quality teamwork. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Fukuoka next year!

RAIA ALEXIS T. GALLARDO
 BCIO HOM 2023-2024

VIRTUAL PA PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 September 9, 2023 | 11:00- 13:00 JST

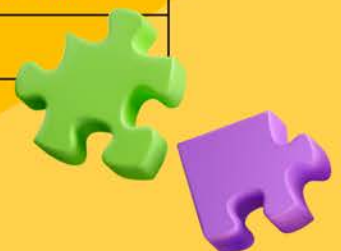


11:00 AM	Opening Remarks	
11:05 AM	SESSION 1	BCIO Past and Present
11:10 AM		Introduce Yourself
11:30 AM		Icebreaking Activity
11:40 AM	SESSION 2	BRIDGE CLUB Bubbles & Goals
12:15 PM	<i>Brain break</i>	
12:20 PM	SESSION 3	Common Activity: Discussion
12:55 PM	Wrap up	

DAY 2 September 16, 2023 | 11:00- 13:00 JST

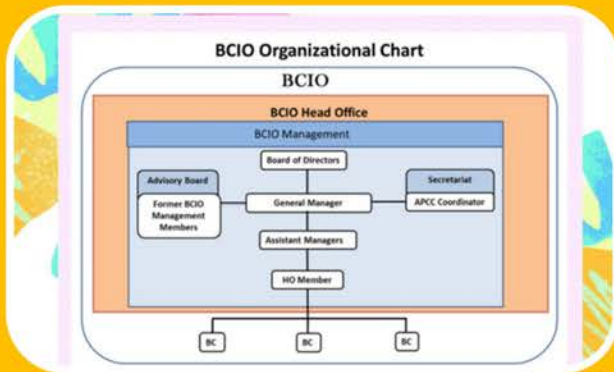


11:00 AM	Day 1 Recap	
11:05 AM	SESSION 1	BRIDGE CLUB Professional Network
11:40 AM	SESSION 2	BRIDGE CLUB Bubbles & Goals Part 2
12:15 PM	<i>Brain break</i>	
12:20 PM	SESSION 3	Common Activity: Discussion Part 2
12:55 PM	Wrap up & Conclusion	



BCIO PAST & PRESENT

Tsu Yamin, BCIO General Manager



BRIDGE CLUB International Organization (BCIO) celebrates its 15th Anniversary in 2023. Starting from this year, it was decided to have two Peace Ambassador Programs, one virtually and another in Fukuoka during the BRIDGE Summer Camp. This enables the newly selected Peace Ambassadors to work together and learn ways to strengthen their BRIDGE CLUBS as new leaders before coming to Japan. Moreover, **Peace Ambassadors** were given opportunities to express their ideas during different sessions at Virtual PA camp. As a result, BCIO achieved a clearer vision on how to nurture the new PAs and evaluate each BC before the PA camp in Fukuoka. Only PAs from active BCs will be invited to Fukuoka, so this new style of management motivates the Peace Ambassadors to lead their BCs and complete the PA tasks throughout the year.

During this session, Peace Ambassadors were given a presentation on a brief history of BCIO and encouraged to complete the Common Activity 2022-2023 **'Sustainability in 60 seconds'** by Yamin. The new BCIO organization structure was presented by the BCIO management team and the new BCIO Head Office members were introduced to the group. The Peace Ambassadors were also asked to introduce themselves, and each of them shared what they would like to achieve while leading their BRIDGE CLUBS.

BRIDGE CLUB BUBBLES

Chanel Tiffany Pardoe, BCIO HOM

Topics for this session

Topic 1: Setting goals for your BC

Topic 2: BRIDGE CLUB bubbles

SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR BC

1.

Why do you need to set goals for your BRIDGE CLUB?

Setting goals is a great way to pave the path to success, if you have something to achieve you are more likely to feel motivated and strive for success!

2.

When should you set goals?

Right now in the online PA camp of course! We will be helping each other set goals and keeping each other accountable!

After an amazing introduction into the event, it was time for the **BC Bubbles!** I first held an **icebreaker** game! Everyone had to go and find items in their home that matched the rules on the screen. Once the time was up everyone had to show us what they found. It was really great to see everyone's creativity!

Then it was down to business, I was very excited to announce the BC bubbles and what the purpose of them was! First things first was discussing SMART goals. Each president would be creating their own goals, one big and one small, so it was important to speak about what **SMART goals** are and how it was going to help them with their goal creation. Once everyone was understanding of the SMART goals, we then spoke about the Bubbles. We had a breakout room to get to know each other and also the bonds could start to be created. It was also a good time to start chatting and forming ideas around your goals!

During day 2 in set out some time for the BC bubbles to **finalize their goals**. The HOM jumped in and out of the meeting rooms to provide wisdom and guidance to the PAs. Once the time was up, we had a few of the PAs from each bubble group to present their ideas. **It was so great to see everyone's visions for their BCs and how they wish to achieve their dreams!**

COMMON ACTIVITY DISCUSSION

Raia Alexis T. Gallardo, BCIO HOM

DAY 1 | September 9, 2023
 11:00-13:00 JST
 ZOOM ID: 827 4804 8603

BCIO APCC

BUBBLE TEA

WHAT	What is the activity? Example: Cooking, Drawing, Movie showing, etc.
WHY	Why should we do this CA? What are your objectives? Example: To connect BICs together, To invite older JAs back to the BC, To create a united project
WHEN	Is this activity year-round? For a certain time only? What's your timeline Example: All year-round, deadline until July 2024
WHERE	Will the CA be held virtually/for physically? Example: Hybrid (Zoom + Physical meet), virtual social media posts
WHO	Who can participate in the CA? Example: JAs, PAs, Friends and families of BC members, Host families, Volunteers, etc.
HOW	How will the CA be implemented? Examples: Guidelines, Visuals, Criteria

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BCIO APCC

TAKE A VOTE!

- Memories buying and documenting of letter for self reflection, affirmation, and goals
- Inter BC snack exchange
- BRIDGE CLUB Cookbooks
- Memories Capsulized
- BClean
- #WomenMatter: Mini vlog about impactful women figures

BCs decide on an activity that all will accomplish each year. These Common Activities take the form of donation drives, educational programs, environmental actions, cultural campaigns, and many more. Before proceeding with brainstorming for the 2024 Common Activity, the Peace Ambassadors were made acquainted with Common Activities over the years.

By BC Bubble breakout rooms, PAs then began **brainstorming** for ideas answering the following guide questions: What is the activity?; Why should we do this CA?; What are your objectives?; Is this activity year-round or for a certain time only? What's your timeline?; Will the CA be held virtually/or physically?; Who can participate in the CA?; How will the CA be implemented?

Brainstorming continued until each BC Bubble chose one final idea to present to the rest of the group. These ideas included memory capsules, inter-BC snack exchange, cookbook, cleaning program, and inspirational women's campaign. Upon voting, the **PAs decided on a food-related CA this year** that will have something common to all countries while also allowing each BC's identities and cultures to customize the activity.

And, on behalf of the PAs and BCIO, we're proud to present this year's Common Activity-- **Omoiyari Bites!**

omoiyari bites

**BRIDGING Cultures,
One Rice Dish at a Time**

Each BRIDGE CLUB (BC) will cook up a unique local dish or fusion from their country, where RICE will be the main ingredient.

The goal is to celebrate the diverse ways in which this common ingredient is transformed across cultures!



rice! rice! rice!

WHAT DOES EACH BC NEED TO DO TO COMPLETE THE CA?

1. **Gather** your BC together to create the rice dish/es or desserts (physical/virtual)
2. **Make** the dish together as a group
3. **Document** cooking the dish, describing its local significance, and explaining the process (*photos & videos, please!*)
4. **Feast** on your dish/es or desserts
5. **Post** your documentation to your BC social media, tag [@bcioapcc_alumni](https://www.instagram.com/bcioapcc_alumni) and **upload** files to the CA Google Drive: bit.ly/OmoiYariBitesDrive

Suggestions:

Fried rice, rice pudding, rice cake, sushi, sashimi, rice crispies, rice flour, or fusions of which!

The possibilities are endless!



Submit your photos & videos by **1st April 2024**



BRIDGE CLUB PROFESSIONAL NETWORK

M. Moiz A. Qazi, BCIO Aassistant Manager

BRIDGE CLUB Professional Network (BCPN)



Vision:

To have a strengthened and developed network of professionals within the BCIO

Mission:

To develop Global BRIDGE Leaders from BCIO by providing opportunities for learning and growth through cooperation and collaboration, and to gain personal development and professional advancement via global networking.

BCPN Management Team



BCPN Stars Program



- Aimed to be a platform for BCPN members to execute their ideas, demonstrate their leadership and organizing skills and network with each other.
- Anyone who is a former participant of APCC can propose a project idea in teams of 3 to the BCPN.

Ongoing programs

1. Research project on the topic "Development of the ideas of peaceful coexistence and tolerance through education in primary and secondary schools in the Asia-Pacific region".
2. BCPN LinkedIn Project

BCPN Internship Program



- To raise awareness among BRIDGE Club (BC) members about BCPN and its programs
- To expand the network and encourage participation in the BCPN, by onboarding and engaging more members in its activities
- To promote inter-generational growth of the BCPN by training its potential future leaders
- To set a precedence for future internships programs within the BCPN

BCPN 1st Interns

Ms. Sok Chanlinda from BC Cambodia
 Mr. Surhid Samyadip from BC Bangladesh.

With BCPN a great focus of the management team, the introduction was crucial to serve as a **refresher** for the participants about what it stands for. A brief overview of BCPN was shared by Moiz (who is part of the management team for both BCPN & BCIO), the mission, vision & objectives were shared with the PAs. The PAs were also given a background of the present and future programs in place and were encouraged to work with their BC Presidents to make the **BCPN Stars Program** more impactful. The PAs were really enthusiastic to know about BCPN and its programs and eager to contribute towards those. Can't wait to see the amazing results.

THE END AND THE BEGINNING

Matthew Wong, BCIO HOM

As the two-day virtual PA camp drew to an end, the PAs and BCIO Management Team were able to exchange **feedback** in a two-way street manner. BCIO HOMs invited the PAs to quickly share what they enjoyed in the virtual PA camp and what they thought could be done even better for our future reference. In turn, we hope to **foster mutual trust and open, effective communication** between everyone. It also goes without saying that everyone enjoyed a virtual group photo session!

While the virtual PA camp has ended, it also marked the beginning of the PAs' journey as they gain a better understanding of their role. **Beginning with executing the Common Activity this year, we hope that each and every one of the PAs will realise their potential.**



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