



## International Leprosy Association

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The International Leprosy Association has a new President



In the ILA General Assembly that took place in Beijing as part of the 19<sup>th</sup> International Leprosy Congress last September 21, Dr. Roch Christian Johnson was elected the new president of ILA for the 2016-2019 term.

Dr. Johnson is based in Cotonou, Benin and is Medical Advisor to the Follereau Foundation. For many years he was the coordinator of the National Leprosy and Buruli Ulcer Control Programme in Benin. He is a member of the Technical Advisory Group of the WHO for Buruli ulcer. Dr. Johnsons serves also as member of the ILEP Technical Commission and has a large experience in clinics and research in leprosy.

Together with the new President of ILA, there were modifications in the ILA Officers as approved by the General Assembly:

### ILA OFFICERS AND COUNCELLORS

2016-2019

#### ILA OFFICERS

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