## The Last Meeting of 5th APA Council

The last meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> APA Council has been held on 17 December 2020 from 09.00 to 11.00 Bangkok time, hosted by Institute of Population and Social Research, Mahidol University, Thailand. As other meetings during this pandemic, this last meeting was also conducted virtually.

It was a farewell meeting for the current, 5<sup>th</sup> Council Members, Officers, and Secretariat. This is also a welcoming meeting for the incoming, 6<sup>th</sup> APA Council Members, Officers, and Secretariat. All members from both the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Councils joined the meeting. One officer from each council was unable to join. However, one former member of the secretariat was present.

The meeting was opened by Aris Ananta, the current APA President. He briefly shared what APA did during the three-year term. He acknowledged all contributions from the current members, officers, and secretariat. Without their strong support and dedication, APA would not have done what it has achieved. He gave a special thanks to the excellent work of the secretariat under the leadership of Rossarin Gray and then Aree Jampaklay. He owed a lot to Sarayut Sakultantimetha, a former member of the secretariat, and Saowapak Suksinchai as well as Wisinee Thipsupanimit.

He shared his special gratitude to Premchand Dommaraju, the current APA Vice-President, and Nimfa Ogena, the current APA Secretary General, for the long, hard, and excellent team-work. He then welcomed the new council and asked Reiko Hayashi, the incoming APA President, to say few words and let others follow her.

The opening was followed by two presentations by Aree Jampaklay, the secretary executive of APA. She presented APA activities in more details. She also presented financial condition of APA. The meeting then had an open discussion among both current and incoming councils.

By the end of the meeting, Reiko Hayashi provided a closing remark, followed with few words from Aris Ananta.

Below is a picture from the last meeting, taken by Wei-Jun Yeung Jean, one of the current APA council members.



