

Report from ICSW-NEA Headquarter (Dec.2015 – June.2016)

1. International Steering Committee Meeting for SWSD 2016, Dublin, Ireland: January 25-27, 2016

President Heung Bong CHA attended the International Steering Committee Meeting for the Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development (SWSD 2016) as the representative of local organizing committee. He reported the progress of preparation for the SWSD 2016, and discussed the details including program, budget, global agenda, etc.

2. ICSW Board Meeting, Dublin, Ireland: January 28-30, 2016

President Heung Bong CHA attended the ICSW Board Meeting as the president of ICSW North East Asia Region. In this meeting, he reported the progress of China membership discussion and the preparation of the Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development 2016. Ms. Eva Holmberg-Herrstrom was elected as the new president of ICSW in this meeting.

3. 54th Annual session of the Commission on Social Development at the UN, New York, USA, February 3-12, 2016

President Heung Bong CHA attended the 54th annual session of the UN Commission on Social Development held at the UN in New York from February 3rd to 12th, 2016, and the Civil Society Forum that preceded it. The priority theme of the session was “Re-thinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world.” This comes at a time when the UN is finalizing its 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. The NGO community represented in the Civil Society Forum focused on achieving inclusiveness in the implementation of the goals, so that “no one is left behind.”

4. 5th China International Senior Services Expo, Beijing, China: May 2-4, 2016

President Heung Bong CHA attended the 5th China International Senior Services Expo organized by The China Association of Social Welfare and Senior Service in Beijing, China on May 2-4, 2016. He delivered the keynote speech entitled, “Global Population ageing and Senior Service,” emphasizing the importance of population ageing in the 21st century and providing the new paradigm for healthy and active ageing.