

Boston Scientific opens IAS, innovation center in Shanghai

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Singapore: Reinforcing its ongoing commitment to leadership in the global medical technology market, Boston Scientific has officially opened the China branch of the Boston Scientific Institute for Advancing Science (IAS) as well as its new innovation center in the country. Through these state-of-the-art facilities Boston Scientific expects to foster local talent while sustainably developing innovative technologies uniquely suited to the China market.

"'Advancing science for life' is at our core, and the facilities we are dedicating today demonstrate our commitment to innovation in professional education and dedication to saving and improving the health of Chinese patients through innovative technologies," said Mr Michael F Mahoney, president and chief executive officer, Boston Scientific. "China is key to our ongoing global expansion, and we believe that initiatives such as the IAS and innovation center will help us to continue adapting to the unique demands of the China market," Mr Mahoney added.

The IAS offers Chinese medical practitioners training in clinical practice and multidisciplinary programs in interventional cardiology, cardiac rhythm management and electrophysiology, endoscopy, peripheral interventions and urology and women's health. These programs are intended to raise medical professionals' awareness of the latest industry trends as well as their knowledge of innovative technologies.

All existing professional education programs or platforms in the market such as Horizon Academy and the company's E-Club project will be integrated into the IAS. As the heart of Boston Scientific's professional education programs in China, it is anticipated that the IAS in Shanghai will offer training courses for more than 700 professionals every year. IAS is also expected to cooperate with top medical universities and colleges in China to launch clinical courses for students, contributing

to the development of China's medical industry.

In addition to serving Chinese practitioners, the IAS in Shanghai is intended to support other professional education opportunities across the Asia-Pacific region.

Meanwhile, the Boston Scientific Innovation Center in China is designed to drive understanding of innovative technologies and advanced medical technology products. The center is fully equipped with the latest multimedia devices, demonstrating the company's cutting-edge research in disease treatment practices. The innovation center will also collect customer feedback to aid in the development of products and technologies customized for China, in collaboration with the Boston Scientific global research and development.