

AIEA's Forty Year History: Presidential Perspectives

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This is a record of chat conversations during the conference call.

Darla K. Deardorff: Hello everyone and welcome to today's 40th Anniversary Webinar! So glad you're here! Please do take a moment to introduce yourselves here in chat

Darla K. Deardorff: Do note that today's webinar is being recorded and will be available on the AIEA website afterwards.

Darla K. Deardorff: If you have any questions at any time during this webinar, please do post questions (as well as comments) here in chat.

Ben Waxman: 1982: Falkland Island (Malvinas) Argentina-UK war

Darla K. Deardorff: @Ben - yes, the Falklands were definitely in the news in 1982 - thanks for that reminder!

Jewell Winn: Yes Ben, I saw that as well. Conflicts were going on throughout the year

Carolyn Stefanco: I am happy to be with you as a former university president and the chair of the new AIEA presidential ambassadors' program. I am joining from Atlanta.

Darla K. Deardorff: @Carolyn - welcome! And so exciting about the new AIEA Presidential Ambassadors Program that was launched last month at AIEA's Annual Conference - thanks for chairing that!

Darla K. Deardorff: We are also joined today by other AIEA past presidents (welcome @Bill Lacy and @Earl Kellogg) and other AIEA leaders - we look forward to hearing your reflections during the Q&A time later in the webinar.

Carolyn Stefanco: Thanks, Darla!

Darla K. Deardorff: You are invited to post any questions/comments here in chat

Earl Kellogg: Thanks, Darla. This is Earl Kellogg coming from sunny Tucson. (We live in Champaign Urbana most of the year). I was SIO at University of Illinois from 1997 - 2005. I was in the AIEA presidential stream from 2004- 2006. Unfortunately, I may have to leave the Zoom meeting as we have had an emergency with our HVAC system and a repair person is coming sometime. If I am around when we have a comment session, I'd like to expand a bit on the NAFSA proposal which was a big part of the program when I was President elect and President. In addition, there were developments in other areas in this time frame that has defined a part of AIEA. If I am not around when the discussion happens, I'll find a way to comment later.

Darla K. Deardorff: Thanks so much @Earl! Yes, we definitely want your insights on other initiatives that contributed to AIEA's formation and development

Eny Di Iorio: AIEA is a great community, I'm proud to be part of...Ad maiora semper! Best wishes to you all

Darla K. Deardorff: @Eny so glad to have you as a leader in our AIEA community

David Fleshler: I have 2 issues/questions:

David Fleshler: 1. As the next Conference Chair, I would like invite all of you to repeat this conversation at the Conference. It would be terrific to have all of our attendees hear this excellent presentation. 2. I'd be very interested in hearing your thoughts about how AIEA can deal with a world that seems to be narrowing or moving to different spheres - difficulties with

China, awful war in Ukraine, world seeming to divide into regions, etc. How should SIO's think about the way forward and how can AIEA help the SIO community through this next stage?

Darla K. Deardorff: Thanks so much to all for helping to make AIEA such a special community for leaders in international education!

Darla K. Deardorff: And thanks again to our presenters today, to Dr. Dafina Diabate and Dr. Gil Merx, co-chairs of the 40th Anniversary Task Force, for organizing this webinar today and to all of you for being part of today's webinar. If you are not part of AIEA yet, we invite you to join the association. Please see www.aieaworld.org for more details. Thanks again everyone!

Victoria Imsirovic: This was very interesting to learn of the association's history.

Alice Yang: Thank you! Congratulations, AIEA!