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Dr. Philippe Halbout

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As CEO of the International Osteoporosis Foundation (IOF), Dr. Philippe Halbout heads the largest global NGO in the bone field. His many areas of responsibility include strategic and programme development, and ensuring the Foundation's financial growth and stability.

Dr. Halbout earned his Ph.D. in immunology from the Pasteur Institute in Paris. He has extensive experience in the bone field, including a successful, 15-year-long industry career during which he held leadership roles within Research and Development, and International Marketing, with a specific focus on osteoporosis therapy. He has also been Director of Competitive Intelligence for all therapeutic areas at the global level.

As IOF CEO, IOF President's Award winner, and [Asia Pacific Consortium on Osteoporosis \(APCO\)](#) Executive Committee member, Dr. Halbout is strongly committed to making bone health and osteoporosis prevention a healthcare priority, in which healthy mobility is a reality for all.

"IOF whole-heartedly lends its support and global expertise to APCO and is honoured to be a part of this important regional initiative. We strongly believe that collaboration and synergies between experts and organisations is critical to advancing the IOF vision – a world without fragility fractures in which healthy mobility is a reality for all," said Dr. Halbout.

"Of the world's regions, the aging populations of the Asia-Pacific will account for the greatest number of fragility fractures, which we know, represent an enormous and costly human and health economic burden."

According to the IOF, an osteoporotic fracture occurs every three seconds worldwide.¹ With more than 50 per cent of the world's hip fractures expected to occur in the Asia Pacific (AP) region over the next two decades,² urgent action is required to stem this tide.

"It is for this reason, that we continue to lend strong support to APCO – an organisation that in little more than three years, has achieved significant milestones in its fight against the silent disease that is osteoporosis," Dr. Halbout said.

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