

icddr,b executive director Dr John Clemens reappointed for second term

Dhaka, February 16, 2016 - icddr,b's board of trustees has reappointed the institution's executive director Professor John Clemens for a second three-year term, starting in April 2016.

Dr Clemens first worked for the international health research institution in the 1980's, at the start of a career that has spanned academia, government and other international organisations. He returned to icddr,b as its executive director in April 2013.

"Dr Clemens' first term was spent successfully strengthening the institution, and focusing its science on the key public health challenges facing Bangladesh and other emerging economies," said icddr,b board chair, Dr Richard Smith. "We look forward to the next three years, and to icddr,b continuing to thrive under his leadership," Dr Smith continued.

"I'm delighted and honoured by the board's decision," added Dr Clemens. "It is a privilege to lead an institution that has made such an impact on the health and well-being of so many people in Bangladesh and globally."

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