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Important Reminders for Delegates

WCD Social Program & Special Events – Reserve Your Tickets Now!

Our Welcome Reception, June 8th, 7:00 pm: We invite you to celebrate WCD2015 with us at this exciting welcoming reception. Our venue is the beautiful Vancouver Convention Centre that showcases some of Vancouver's best water and mountain views. Welcome to Vancouver!

Gala Event, June 12th at 6:15 pm: An exhilarating celebration of our shared worldwide community, the WCD Gala Event is not to be missed! Taking place at Rogers Arena, Vancouver's premier sports and concert facility, guests will have the opportunity to enjoy internationally inspired cuisine while experiencing a global journey through music and dance. Reflecting Canada's multiculturalism this musical extravaganza features a host of international performances that will entertain all. It will be a night for all of us to remember!

Social Program Information and Tickets: <http://derm2015.org/program/social-program-tours/>

Vancouver Travel Tips

The population of Metro Vancouver is just over two million, of which 43% have a first language other than English. The diverse population of downtown Vancouver reflects over 200 different ethnic groups. **The Time Zone in Vancouver** is in the Pacific Time Zone.

Currency and Foreign Exchange: Take advantage of the best \$US to \$CAN exchange rates in six years. The Canadian Dollar (CAD) is the official currency in Vancouver, Canada. For currency conversions, please visit the Bank of Canada's website for up-to-date rates.

(www.bankofcanada.ca/rates/exchange/).

Electrical voltage in Vancouver and the rest of Canada is 110V. For more information on Vancouver, visit the Tourism Vancouver website at www.tourismvancouver.com.

Program Calendar: The complete, interactive WCD2015 Program Calendar is now available online. Access full speaker & topic listings here

<http://derm2015.org/calendar>

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24th World Congress of
Dermatology



Turkish Society of Dermatology

proudly presents itself as a candidate to organize the next
ILDS World Congress in Istanbul, the city where continents meet.

With its unique geography Turkey, situated in the middle of Europe, Asia and Africa, is a bridge not only connecting the East to the West but also the past to the future. The magnificent city of Istanbul, being the gateway of the Orient to the Occident is the only city in the world located on two continents. Having been the capital city of the Roman, the Byzantine and the Ottoman Empires, Istanbul impresses every single visitor with its enchanting natural and historical beauty. Istanbul offers direct and easy access to visitors from all corners of the world and thus is one of the world's top ten congress destinations. She also houses a high capacity congress valley in the heart of the city and accommodation facilities within walking distance, which brings together everything, round the corner.

We are looking forward to meeting you all at the 24th World Congress of Dermatology in Istanbul.

Support us, Support science.
Istanbul: Bringing Dermatologists Together!

Please visit us on our website:

www.dermatology2019istanbul.org

Prof. Dr. Osman KÖSE

Vice President of Turkish Society of Dermatology
Chair of the Turkish Bidding Committee for WCD 2019

Prof. Dr. Ertan YILMAZ

President of Turkish Society of Dermatology



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WORLD CONGRESS
OF DERMATOLOGY
MILAN 2019



Milan: the ideal City to host the World Congress of Dermatology



We strongly support Milan as it provides all the necessary facilities for hosting such an important event as the World Congress of Dermatology.

There are multiple reasons to choose Milan as hosting city for the 2019 World Congress of Dermatology but first of all because the ancient history of Medicine and Dermatology being born as far back as the XVth century, when in 1456 Francesco Sforza, Duke of Milan, founded the Magna Domus Hospitalis with a dedicated area for skin patients.

The congress Venue!

MiCo – Milano Congressi is a truly unique experience in terms of comfort and efficiency: with video projector, sound system, translator booths, fixed video cameras, closed circuit TV, Wi-Fi internet access and optical fiber cables in all conference spaces.

It is located in downtown Milan, having all the city's finest attractions nearby, such as the Duomo, the Sforza Castle and Leonardo's Last Supper, less than five minutes' walk away. MiCo has a parking lot for more than 1.100 cars, a heliport and direct access to Milan's future subway line 5 ready for the Expo Milano 2015. It's all there.

Milan leisure facilities!

Milan offers a wide variety of fascinating venues to hold an informal drink reception, gala dinner or party for delegates. La Scala opera house, Castello Sforzesco, the Duomo, the Royale Palace and the Milan Fashion District are just the brightest examples of the amazing attractions to be visited. Milan gives also the opportunity to visit charming locations including Cinque Terre, Venice, Turin, Bologna, Florence or Rome as a one day trip.

Food and Lifestyle!

Italy is worldwide known for its traditions and its international brands in strategic sectors such as food, fashion, automotive and marine engineering, design and mechanics. The Italian style, innovation, creativity and love for tradition are all key factors for the success of the „Made-in-Italy“ label in the competitive world market. Moreover, Italy has the largest number of World Heritage (UNESCO) sites in Europe, with 47 locations listed as places of outstanding cultural and historical significance.



To reach Milan!

Because of its strategic position in Europe and in the Mediterranean Sea, Milan is easy to reach from the rest of the European continent and the world. More than 2.000 direct weekly continental flights.



Prof. Sergio Chimenti
President of the Bidding Committee



Prof. Giovanni Pellacani
Secretary of the Bidding Committee





**World
Congress of
Dermatology**
DUBAI — BID 2019



Dubai: 24th World Congress of Dermatology 2019

The 15th edition of the Dubai Derma Conference held in cooperation with the GCC League of Dermatology and the Pan Arab League of Dermatology was held from April 7-9 2015. The annual meeting was marked by the presence of 10.000 visitors and participants.

Dr. Abdul Wahab Al Fouzan, Secretary General of the Pan Arab League of Dermatology and the Secretary General of the World Congress of Dermatology (WCD) Bid Committee, presented a token of appreciation to His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Minister of Finance and President of the Dubai Health Authority for his continuous support and invaluable patronage of this event. The evident attention of senior Dubai officials in the health sector and the organising of periodic conferences and seminars, are making Dubai stand out as a global scientific edifice.



Dr. Ibrahim Galadari, Secretary General of the GCC League of Dermatology and President of the WCD Bid Committee, stated that DubaiDerma has become a leading event in the region, and competes with similar events in Europe and the US. This important annual dermatology meeting showcases the best practices in dermatology and the latest technology through specialised lectures, courses and workshops.



Given the city's track record in organizing world-class events and the city's meticulous infrastructure and accessibility, Dr. Hassan Galadari, Head of Scientific Committee of Dubai Derma, expressed his optimism that the global community will look favorably to Dubai as the host city for the 24th WCD, slated to be held in 2019. The WCD has never been organized in the region before. The final verdict will be announced in two months' time in Vancouver, where the Dubai bidding committee has booked a booth at the exhibit hall, a hospitality suite at the Pan Pacific Hotel on the 8th and 9th of June and a luncheon on the 10th of June. All delegates are welcome to attend.

Rio de Janeiro 24th WCD 2019

Riocentro Convention Center: the best place

RIOCENTRO was specifically designed and built to host different kinds of national and international events. The complex is formed of five Pavilions, interconnected by 16 meter wide catwalks. Pavilions 1, 2, 3 and 4 were designed to host Fairs and Exhibitions and Pavilion 5 – The Congress Hall – to host Congresses and Conventions. The entire Riocentro can be used for one large conference or divided into units for partial occupancy. In either case, the necessary privacy and security are assured. Among our facilities, one can find a restaurant, medical aid, telecommunications and a parking space for 7.000 cars and 130 buses.

LOCATION

Riocentro is located in Barra da Tijuca, a new area of the city, classified as of medium to high human development. According to the demographic data, the region had the fastest growth in the city in the nineties, with 124,000 new inhabitants. Rich in contrasts and considered one of the most beautiful areas of the city, the region offers several lagoons, mountains and 30 km of beaches along the coastline. Barra da Tijuca, more than a commercial, leisure and entertainment nucleus, turned into an economic center. Several industries migrated to the area which currently offers to inhabitants and visitors several shopping malls, different options for sports and leisure, and an impressive economic growth. In all directions, the view always includes lagoons, mountains or sea.

DISTANCE FROM THE AIRPORTS

- International Airport Antonio Carlos Jobim – 40 minutes
- Domestic Airport Santos Dumont – 35 minutes

ON THE RENOVATIONS OF RIOCENTRO

Recently privatized by GL events, a company known worldwide by the quality in the administration of convention centers in three continents, Riocentro started in 2006 several actions envisaging better serve the needs of the clients. Internal areas and structural renovations on its five Pavilions will be concluded within a few more weeks, offering an exceptional quality for our forthcoming events. Twelve modalities of the Pan American Olympic Games was hosted in our Complex, not to mention all the broadcasting and Press Center for the Games.

Pavilions 2, 3 and 4 – Exhibit Pavilions – are now offering air conditioning. Mezzanines have received new painting and carpets; bathrooms are fully renovated. Renovation also covers of all the hydraulics, electrical, and floor treatments.

Pavilion 5 – Congress and Conventions Hall – with an auditorium fully renovated, doubling its capacity from 2.400 to 4.500. New conceptions of multi functionality, with removable acoustic partitions, enable several different formats allowing full and/or partial rent.



The Regional Dermatology Centre, Moshi, Tanzania

20th International CME Conference and Graduates Reunion

The annual CME meeting of the Regional Dermatology Training Centre in Moshi, Tanzania, was held between January 7-10 2015. The event consisted of a three-day programme with sessions ranging from HIV/AIDS to albinism. There were a large number of attendees amongst past graduates of the RDTC and former dermatology residents. To reinforce the international nature of the gathering, the audience represented more than 30 different countries. The participants were welcomed by Prof. Olomi, Acting Executive Director of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical centre and by Prof. John Masenga.

Dr. Sanders of the Netherlands updated the participants on the current status of the Ebola outbreak in West Africa. This introductory session was followed by lectures on HIV/AIDS and infections of tropical interest from staphylococci to tinea capitis. On Thursday, two important topics were addressed – the swollen lower limb in a tropical environment and leprosy – and these were followed by case presentations and papers from former RDTC graduates. Friday was devoted to a detailed consideration of the programme for care of Persons with Albinism (PWA) both from the RDTC, whose work was described by Alfred Naburi, and elsewhere in Sub Saharan Africa. The sunscreen production programme and the role

of occupational therapy were discussed, along with the management of low vision in PWA children (Rebecca Kammer). John Beale from the NGO Standing Voice talked about the outreach programme for albinism in the lake region of Tanzania. Updates from Uganda and Kenya, including a short film, were provided. A very moving account of caring for a son with xeroderma pigmentosum, a common disorder in sub Saharan Africa, was given by Mr Mmanga from Dodoma. Prof. Grossman provided the closing summary and the participants were all very relieved not to be faced with the traditional fiendish quiz organised by John Masenga.

A highlight of the programme was a visit by Barbara Stiefel whose generosity – together with that of her cousin Charles - has largely made possible the completion of the construction of the new dermatology ward as well as refurbishment of the hospital lecture theatre. She was able to visit the ward areas now occupied by patients and nursing staff as well as the new theatre suite. A new initiative for dermatology nurse training in East Africa is under active discussion with the International Dermatology Nursing Group and the Nursing School of KCMC.

R. J. Hay, C. Fuller



Visit of the RDTC advisory board to the new Herbert A. Stiefel wards at the RDTC. Barbara Stiefel is second from the left.

ILDS Regional Board Director Elections

Final round

Asia Pacific (One Board Vacancy):

Chan, Roy Kum Wah (Singapore)
Kabashima, Kenji (Japan)
Kim, Soo Chan (South Korea)

Europe (Two Board Vacancies):

DRENO, Brigitte (France)
ENK, Alexander (Germany)
FRENCH, Lars Einar (Switzerland)
LARKO, Olle (Sweden)
LUGER, Thomas (Austria)
SCHMUTH, Matthias (Austria)

Latin America inc Caribbean (Two Board Vacancies):

Six candidates required, nominations received for four candidates only

CABRERA, Raul Alejandro (Chile)
ESTRADA-CASTANON, Roberto Augusto (Mexico)
LUPI, Omar (Brazil)
STEINER, Denise (Brazil)

South East Asia, Middle East and Africa (One Board Vacancy):

GALADARI, Hassan (UAE)
SACCHIDANAND, Sarvajnamurthy Aradhya (India)

USA and Canada (One Board Vacancy):

SAPIJASZKO, Marius (Canada)
SEARLES, Gordon (Canada)
SIEGEL, Daniel (USA)

Note: Where there are two vacancies in a Region, the candidate with the highest number of votes will sit on the Board for two terms and the candidate with the second highest number of votes will sit on the Board for one term only. This is in strict accordance with our bylaws.

MEMBERS' CORNER

German Dermatological Society

Celebrates its 125th Anniversary

In October 2014, the **D**eutsche **D**ermatologische **G**esellschaft DDG celebrated its 125th anniversary. Germany's leading dermatologists convened in Berlin to look back, to analyze the present and to discuss the future of our discipline.



Prof. Kaufmann (left) and Prof. Stadler (right)

Founded in 1898 in Prague, the DDG is a society of German-speaking dermatologists, so among the founders were, apart from Germans, also Austrian, Czech and Swiss dermatologists. Today, more than 4000 members from these countries, but also from many more, contribute to a high standard of dermatology. As the DDG is an academically driven society, a second dermatological association has been founded in Germany, caring for practical issues in daily work in private practice, the Berufsverband Deutscher Dermatologen. Both society coordinate their work, run a common office and are proud of their excellent relationship.

German-speaking dermatology encompasses dermatology, venereology and allergology including special areas such andrology, phlebology and lymphology, proctology, dermatoncology, dermatological radiation therapy, dermatological microbiology, occupational and environmental dermatology, dermatopathology as well as prevention and rehabilitation.

Looking back on the past 125 years of German-speaking dermatology, many great achievements and discoveries could be celebrated, but past president Prof. Rudolf Stadler also reminded us of those colleagues that had been murdered or had to leave Germany during the Nazi regimen. It was the Munich Professor Alfred Marchionini, who after the second world war rebuilt relationships with the international community, and Otto Braun-Falco, Klaus Wolff, Enno Christophers and Gerd Plewig, just to mention a few, followed his example. As the general secretary, Prof. Alexander Enk and our President Prof. Roland Kaufmann pointed out that today Germany's dermatology is in the middle of exciting developments, both in genetic and inflammatory diseases of the skin as well as in dermatoncology. In almost all clinical trials with new drugs for melanoma treatment, German dermatologists participate with numerous patients and are co-authors of the most important publications.

Apart from the historic considerations and a look into the future, a philosopher and two artists had been invited. The fundamentals upon which we build our ethics, along with its temporal and geographic variations, were considered and lively discussed at the end of the meeting. As DDG, the acronym of our society, can also be translated into musical tones, it was a suggestion of one of our prestigious members, Prof. Eva-Bettina Bröcker, to create an anthem based on these tones. A young musician had composed a hymn, which was brought to stage for the first time, and concluded this wonderful ceremony.

Numerous guests from other societies, such as the Presidents of the Swiss and Austrian Dermatological Societies – Prof. Jürg Hafner and Prof. Erwin Tschachler, who also is the President of the EADV – as well as the President of the Union of European Medical Specialists Prof. Magdalena Czarnecka-Operacz came to participate and to congratulate, and wished our society good luck and success in the future.

Wolfram Sterry, Berlin



Indian Society of Teledermatology

(November 2014 to February 2015)

23rd November 2014: CME on Pediatric Dermatology

The Indian Society of Teledermatology (INSTED) and the IADVL Chennai City Chapter jointly conducted a CME on Pediatric Dermatology in Chennai on 23rd November 2014. The CME was attended by pediatricians and dermatologists. Prof. Jayakar Thoams, President INSTED, gave an excellent talk on vascular malformations sharing his experience on the management of infantile hemangiomas. Other topics covered included judicious use of topical steroids in children, drug reactions in children, and the role of rituximab in childhood & juvenile pemphigus. Senior professors and consultants shared their rich experience as faculty and chairs. There was an elaborate discussion on childhood erythrodermas between the top Pediatricians and Dermatologists. Many everyday issues were addressed and clarified.

MATSA (Movement against topical steroid abuse) of INSTED reiterated the objective to reach patients, parents, physicians, pharmacists and paramedicals and reinforced that „We have the duty to teach the use of topical steroids and the duty to preach against their abuse.” The entire day’s program was webcasted.



28th December 2014: CME on Aesthetic Dermatology

The Indian Society of Teledermatology (INSTED) and IADVL Chennai City Chapter jointly conducted a CME on Aesthetic Dermatology in Chennai on 28th December 2014. The CME was attended by residents and practicing dermatologists and dermatosurgeons. Prof. Jayakar Thomas, welcomed the gathering. Important areas such as Assessment of the face, Anti-ageing – current status and future directions, and thread lift were the topics discussed. At the end of the presentations important points of the lectures were highlighted. Useful tips for everyday practice were shared by the experts who clarified the audience doubts. The entire day’s program was webcasted.

1st February 2015: „World Anti Leprosy Day”- CME

The Indian Society of Teledermatology (INSTED) and IADVL Chennai City Chapter jointly conducted a CME on 1st February 2015 at Chennai in commemoration with observation of the „World Anti Leprosy Day”. The CME was attended by residents, teaching faculties and practicing dermatologists. The lecture on Diagnostic Aids – Practical Application by Prof. Jayakar Thomas, President INSTED, was a very useful speech and highlighted the basics, importance, interpretation and clinical application in daily practice. Neural Leprosy by Prof. P. Narasimha Rao and Reactions in Leprosy by Prof. N. T. Ravi were the other important topics covered. During the discussion difficult case scenarios were presented and expert opinions sought. It was noteworthy that all the speakers and moderators were those with rich experience of more than two decades in the field of leprosy whose contribution was really useful to the audience particularly the young residents and practitioners. The entire day’s program was webcasted.



News from Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists

(January to March 2015)

The Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists (IADVL) held its Annual National Conference, DERMACON 2015 in Mangalore, Karnataka, from 12-15 February 2015 at Dr. TMA Pai Convention Centre under the Organising Chair, Dr. Ganesh Pai, Organising Secretary, Dr. Ramesh Bhat and Scientific Chairperson, Dr. Sathish Pai. The new IADVL Executive Committee 2015 took over at the inauguration function with Dr. Venakataram Mysore as President, Dr. Rashmi Sarkar as Honorary General Secretary, Dr. Somesh Gupta as Honorary Treasurer, Dr. Raghunatha, R. Reddy and Dr. Rajesh M. Buddhadev as Vice Presidents and Dr. Manish Gautam and Dr. Rohit Batra as Joint Secretaries (Pic 1).

IADVL, under the leadership of Dr. Venkataram Mysore, has launched a mobile app-DERMA APP for the first time to provide membership services. This will speed up communication and information.

1. A number of Community-Based Programs have been launched.
 - a) IADVL has launched a mass program to tackle topical steroid abuse through its taskforce ITATSA and has engaged a celebrity actress for this purpose. (Pic 2)
 - b) „IADVL Chala Gaon ki ore“ meaning „IADVL goes to villages“ is a village oriented program to reach out to villages where dermatological facilities are not available.
 - c) Clean skin Clear skin program to emphasise hand hygiene and waste disposal (called svacch tvacha program).
 - d) A community oriented DERMA SERVICE (SEVA) APP is being launched to help people in remote areas to access skin care.
2. Under the initiative of Dr. Rashmi Sarkar, Honorary General Secretary IADVL and IADVL Executive Committee, a number of educational programs have been launched online to reach out to residents and members everywhere, and an IADVL Residents' Welfare Program which has a news letter quarterly edited by the postgraduate residents in dermatology, an interactive IADVL Residents' Facebook Group and Residents' Session in DERMACON. An IADVL Mentorship Program matching a mentor with a mentee has been initiated to orient young dermatologists in soft skills, how to balance personal and professional life, gain tips for practice and writing and editing articles for journals.
3. Educational initiatives such as online webinars on dermatosurgery and dermatopathology have been initiated.



Pic 1: EC 2015



Pic 2: ITATSA Campaign in DERMACON 2015

ILDS 2014 Certificate of Appreciation Award



Dr. Harvey Lui with Dr. Verallo-Rowell and her two grandchildren after having been presented with the ILDS 2014 Certificate of Appreciation in the Philippines in November 2014.

Managing Albinism in Fiji

November 2014 saw an introductory Albinism Workshop held at the Fijian School for the Blind, Suva, Fiji. Designed as an opportunity for the parents of students with albinism to become better informed about albinism genetics and the health needs of their children, the main focus of the workshop was supporting the children and their families.

Vision problems associated with albinism were addressed including how to reduce discomfort and cut glare by wearing hats and sunglasses and by using magnifiers to read. Participants were shown a range of vision aids for home and school. Skin care was also addressed with an explanation of different types of skin cancers and how to protect children from the tropical sun by wearing sunshirts, hats and sunscreen. These skin protection methods challenged the cultural norm so a strong message about seeking shade was emphasised. Examples of Australian health promotion campaigns including 'No Hat, No Play' and 'Slip Slop Slap and Slide' helped reinforce the need for sun protection.



Children with albinism attending the Fiji School for the Blind – with their sun protective gear

Interest in the workshop was overwhelming. Many people working in health and education registered to learn more about albinism with thirty five people attending. Recommendations from the workshop have now been developed by the community illustrating an increased ownership and a willingness to move the project forward by improving skills in managing albinism. Community members have expressed a need for future workshops, training and resources which will help to break down stigma, enabling children living with albinism to lead richer lives with access to education and opportunity equal to their peers. Outcomes from the workshop are easily visible. The Fijian School for the Blind reported that at the start of the new school year children living with albinism arrived fresh off the bus, ready for school, proudly wearing their hats, sunglasses and sunshirts.

Margot Whitfeld, Lisa Maude and Barbara Farouk

NOT EVERY CANADIAN DRESSES LIKE ONE

But you'll have to find one to join us in the
Canada House 90th Anniversary Celebration.



Join us at Canada House

Celebrate over 90 years of Canadian Dermatology.
Taste and experience the many flavours of Canada.

June 9: Discover the Atlantic Provinces — 6 - 7 pm
June 10: Discover Ontario and Quebec — 6 - 7 pm
June 11: Discover the Western Provinces — 6 - 7 pm

Come see us at booth 1945

Blue Lobster Image © Sharon Montgomery-Dupe - Cape Breton Post





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