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of Dermatological Societies  
*Skin Health for the World*

# 3<sup>rd</sup> ILDS World Skin Summit

*Global Partnerships For Skin Health*

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# FINAL REPORT

Local Collaborating organisations: Círculo Dermatológico del Perú (CIDERM-PERU)  
Colegio Ibero Latinoamericano de Dermatología (CILAD)



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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**It gives us great pleasure to present to you this report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ILDS World Skin Summit (WSS) which took place in Lima, Peru on 13-15 October, 2022.**

ILDS WSS was designed as a venue for leaders of global dermatological societies to discuss common and unique challenges and opportunities that they face in their societies and regions, and working together, to identify possible collaborations and solutions. The first WSS was held in Berlin, Germany in 2012, and the second in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam in 2018.

Peru was selected as the site for the 3<sup>rd</sup> ILDS WSS because there is a robust and active dermatological society with many excellent dermatologists; however, providing proper dermatologic care for the general population in Peru, South and Central America poses unique challenges. For the first two WSS, they were held in the midway timeframe between the two ILDS World Congresses of Dermatology. Due to the pandemic, and recognizing the importance of in-person meeting, the WSS in Peru was held 3 years after the last WCD in Milan in 2019.

As we hope you will appreciate from the following pages, the 3<sup>rd</sup> ILDS WSS was a great success. It was attended by 119 leaders, representing 47 societies

from around the world. Patient representatives, World Health Organization, an important partner of ILDS, as well as partners from industry, were all present and actively participated. Productive discussions and interactions took place at plenary and at breakout sessions, many will inform the ILDS on its strategy planning for the next few years.

The success of WSS was due to the attendance and active participation of the members who were there, and those who provided premeeting input. We would like to thank leaders of El Circulo Dermatológico del Perú (CIDEMR), Colegio Ibero-Latinoamericano de Dermatología (CILAD), and the International Alliance of Dermatology Patient Organizations (GlobalSkin) for their active participation in organizing the conference. Special thanks to our Peruvian colleagues for their hospitality, and for the most memorable cultural show at the closing ceremony. Sincere thanks to ILDS staff for providing excellent support to ensure the success of the meeting.

Happy reading!



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lars French'.

**Professor Lars French**  
ILDS President



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Henry W. Lim'.

**Professor Henry W. Lim**  
3<sup>rd</sup> ILDS World Skin Summit Chair

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**Having the opportunity to host and participate in the 3rd ILDS World Skin Summit has been something very special, professionally, and personally.**

It was a great meeting and a chance to exchange experiences with remarkable dermatologists and related organizations, who share an altruist commitment to the specialty both in education and in researching solutions for patients, from all over the world.

Learning about the ILDS projects and opportunities to participate, that any member can be part of them, for me was a highlight and something that I can share and motivate colleagues in my country with.



**Dr. Beatriz Meza Méndez**  
CIDERM-PERU President

**As president of CILAD, it was a great honour to represent Latin American dermatology at this event and share with dermatologists from all over the world the needs of our medical discipline and future projects.**

During the summit many plenary conferences, workshops and networking events were held that allowed knowledge and experiences sharing.

The presence of the WHO was specially relevant and showed the good relationship between this institution and the ILDS. It is worth noting the initiative of an app for the diagnosis of dermatological diseases for underserved areas.

The presentations of the two cities that are applying to organize the WCD 2027 were made: Munich (Germany) and Guadalajara (México). The final decision will be taken in the WCD 2023, in the city of Singapore. Good luck to both of you.

I would like to highlight the extraordinary Summit organization by all the ILDS staff, the masterful direction of its president, Prof. Lars French and the chair of World Skin Summit, Prof. Henry W. Lim. Besides, I would like to thank and stress the commitment of all the speakers and participants. The atmosphere of fraternity and collaboration was a constant during all the event.

Looking forward to seeing you in Singapore in July.



**Prof. Jose Luis Lopez Estebanz**  
CILAD President

# PAST SUMMITS

## **BERLIN**

The first ILDS World Skin Summit was held in Berlin, with these aims:

- Strengthen the links between ILDS Member organisations
- Share case studies and best practice
- Develop global collaborations
- Deliver training around the world

During the Summit, we developed a set of Grand Challenges in Global Health. This led to the Global Psoriasis Atlas, which is mapping the incidence and impact of psoriasis on patients around the world.



## **HO CHI MINH CITY**

The 2018 Summit programme was developed in consultation with Members to focus on issues that are relevant in the region, including:

- Issues affecting South-East Asia and other under-served regions
- Current important dermatological conditions
- Evolving role of dermatologists
- Scope of service delivery for skin disorders by other health professionals
- Priority humanitarian issues including rare or neglected diseases and patients in low-resource settings

The call to present a unified front while also working in partnership was strong during this conference. This led to increased partnerships with other organisations, including patient groups, and the launch of the Global Dermatology Coalition and increasing our advocacy and policy efforts to help ensure global change.



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# EXPECTATIONS AND GOALS

The ILDS World Skin Summit is held in between each World Congress of Dermatology and provides opportunities for ILDS Members to engage with ILDS' projects and activities. Both the goals of the programme and the programme itself are informed through member surveys and discussions by the board. The Summit is not a scientific meeting but rather a 'think-tank' style forum to focus on common actions on relevant policy issues, to participate in capacity building activities and to generate ideas of global projects and programmes to improve skin health globally.



# PROGRAMME SUMMARY

## PLENARY 1

### ILDS Introduction: Working Together For Global Skin Health

The WSS began with a plenary session that gave an overview of the ILDS's activities, highlighted its three strategic pillars of strategic leadership and policy impact, representation and engagement, and fostering access to dermatological education and care, highlighted its seven projects with the WHO, numerous global health dermatology projects run by the IFD within the ILDS, and updated attendees on the Grand Challenges in Global Health (this included updates on the Global Psoriasis Atlas, the recent launch of the Global Report on Atopic Dermatitis and Atlas, and two new reports that will be launching in 2023), and the planned introduction of the ILDS' Global Partnerships for Education and Care, which will encourage collaborations between dermatology departments in regions of the world with various resources.

## PLENARY 2

### What Has Changed 2018-2022: Upcoming Issues, Local To Global

The creation of the COVID-19 and monkeypox registries was discussed, demonstrating how crucial dermatological data is used to update standards and definitions at the highest levels. Conflicts, extreme economic and political instability, and natural catastrophes have all contributed to a sharp rise in migration and refugee numbers over the past few years. In camps for the displaced, skin diseases are a major problem. However, there is still a problem with a lack of funding, qualified medical personnel, and medicine accessibility. The Global Psoriasis Atlas's (GPA, [www.globalpsoriasisatlas.org](http://www.globalpsoriasisatlas.org)) ongoing progress and success were discussed. The GPA, which originated from a WHO resolution on psoriasis, has developed into a constantly growing network of partners to enhance the worldwide understanding of psoriasis and open up new possibilities for research and training tools. The Global Atopic Dermatitis Atlas (GADA, [www.atopicdermatitisatlas.org](http://www.atopicdermatitisatlas.org)) and the Global Report on Atopic Dermatitis, both of which were just released, are now both modelled after the GPA. With numerous areas of cooperation between the ILDS and GlobalSkin, patient involvement has also risen. Collaborations include the Global Research on the Impact of Dermatological Diseases (GRIDD) project, which will result in the new Patient-Reported Impact of Dermatological Diseases (PRIDD) measure and is the first global impact research study in dermatology initiated and led by patients (<https://globalskin.org/research/gridd-about>). Data gathered using this new metric will help evidence-based advocacy and include the patient voice in decision-making for all conditions by payers and policymakers.



### PLENARY 3

#### **Unmet Needs In Dermatology: With A Focus On The Latin America, Asia And Africa Regions**

The use of topical corticosteroids, which are frequently available in South Asia, as skin lightening agents was explored, along with the potential negative effects of uncontrolled, prolonged use, including striae, acneiform eruption, and cutaneous atrophy. It was discussed how difficult it is to diagnose and cure leishmaniasis in Latin American nations as well as its neglected presence around the globe and how difficult it was to control the Covid-19 infection in Brazil because of a lack of resources, such as oxygen, and a poor vaccination rate leading to some of the highest number of deaths worldwide. The extremely low number of dermatologists and insufficient resources in Africa make it difficult to provide quality dermatological care, but substantial efforts are being made to undertake relevant medical education in the field with the help of specialists from all over the world.

### PLENARY 4

#### **Feedback From Workshops And Defining A Forward Programme**

The key discussion points and possible next steps that ILDS could take in coordination with member societies and patient organisations were outlined in the last plenary session. This gathered together all conversations and presentations to define the direction the ILDS will take over the next four years. In his closing remarks, Lars French, ILDS President, emphasised the participants' call for the ILDS to work with its member societies, patient organisations, and corporate partners to promote education, access to care, a high-quality image gallery, and international registries with high-quality data pertinent to dermatology on a global scale. It was highlighted that the value of a group like the ILDS is in bringing together various stakeholders for a strategic discussion aimed at bolstering the greater dermatological community and enhancing patient care globally.



# WORKSHOPS

## WORKSHOP 1

### **Access To New Drugs And Technology/ Innovation In Delivery Of Dermatologic Care: Challenges And Opportunities**

A presentation highlighted the challenges in European dermatology and prompted discussions by participants around current and future needs, the quality of care provided to patients, and what planning needs to happen to be ready for the future. Discussion followed around the primary areas of relative risk, accessibility, and costs.

## WORKSHOP 2

### **Sharing Data And Information: Needs And Solutions**

Participants learned about telemedicine in Dermatology using AI /machine learning on skin of colour and discussed how technology can be used to enhance medical practice and free up capacity in areas where there are limited resources. Participants were also introduced to the ILDS and WHO's new Image Gallery which will allow peer reviewed photos, submitted by dermatologists globally, to be linked to the International Classification of Diseases, 11th edition (ICD-11) and create a unified atlas for use by dermatologists globally with quality representation across skin types.

## WORKSHOP 3

### **Advocacy For Dermatology And Dermatologists**

A review of the processes and successes in psoriasis advocacy in Argentina, given its diverse geography and demographics, highlighted the need for dermatologists to expand techniques and find new ways to reach populations in need and support dermatologists in underserved areas.

## WORKSHOP 4

### **International Exchange Of Teachers And Learners/ How To Foster International Collaboration?**

A presentation on how technology has allowed more educational opportunities was shared, followed by a discussion of some of the main challenges to educational exchange. These include issues around visas, expenses, legal requirements related to medical practice, lack of opportunities and new issues such as COVID-19.

## WORKSHOP 5

### **Effective Partnership With Patient Organizations**

Several case studies were presented by patients looking at challenges in low resource settings, rare diseases, and in Latin America, highlighting the positive impact that patient involvement can have on care and education of dermatological disease. Research on the benefits of collaboration between patient groups and dermatology shows improvements in education, advocacy and research when patients are involved. Presentations were followed by a "world café" style discussion of three main questions around education, working together and best practices.

## WORKSHOP 6

### **Human Resources For Health/ Health Workforce/ Education Of Dermatology Care Givers**

There are many challenges when it comes to providing training for front line health care workers, however new tools are being developed to improve education, increase coverage and involve more dermatologists globally. The use of AI in resource limited settings was discussed, followed by the presentation of the ILDS image gallery and its aim of a more robust photo atlas of dermatological disease, linked to the ICD-11. The tools being developed by the GPA and the methods used to create them were also discussed by the participants before a general discussion was hosted.

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# BURSARY PROGRAMME

**As part of our commitment to encouraging the participation of Members from all ILDS regions, the ILDS again launched a Summit Bursary Programme, after its success in 2018, to support 4 Member Representatives who would otherwise not have been able to attend.**

- Noor Zalmy Azizan – Malaysia
- Consuelo Cardenas – Chile
- Esteban Hernandez – Chile
- Marie Judith Eusebio – Philippines

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The breakout session was most interesting since we discussed relevant issues in the practice of dermatology and shared our experiences in our respective countries.

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**Marie Judith Eusebio**  
Philippines

## BURSARIES FOR PATIENT ORGANISATIONS

**In addition, 5 bursaries were given to patient representatives to ensure the patient perspective was included.**

- Antoine Gliksohn – Global Albinism Alliance
- Carolina Jazmin - Asociación de psoriasis y artritis psoriásica - Perú - APAPSO PERÚ
- Tran Hong Truong – Vietnam Psoriasis Network
- Martin Petrocco - Asociación Civil para el Enfermo de Psoriasis and Asociacion Civil de Dermatitit Atopica Argentina
- Marc Yale – International Pemphigus and Pemphigoid Foundation

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Great presentations identifying both challenges and opportunities in dermatology. These presentations really illustrated the unmet needs of patients and the need for further health equity.

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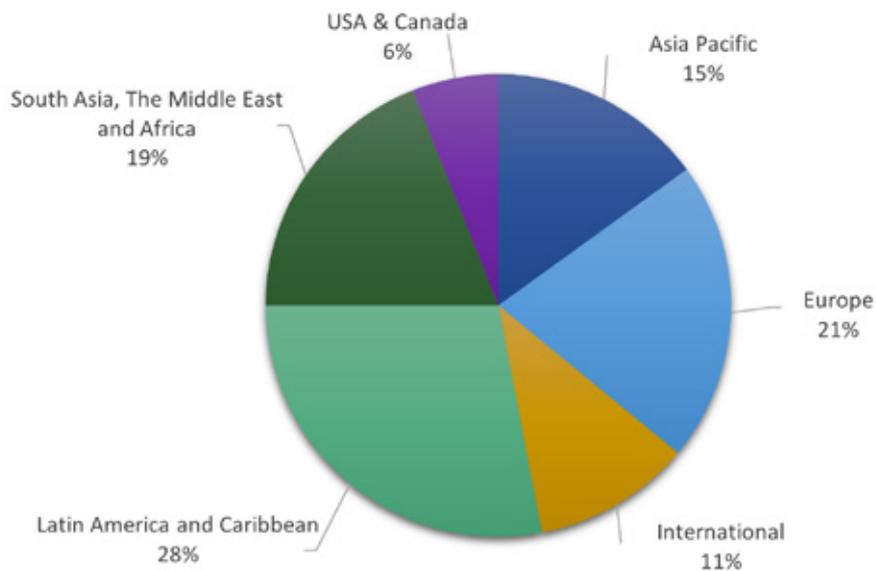
**Marc Yale**  
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# EVALUATION

**The WSS was attended by 119 participants from 39 countries, including representatives of 47 societies. Of these 47 societies present, 43 were ILDS Member Societies and 4 were (non-member) patient organisations.**

Members who were not able to attend the in-person meeting were invited to join an abridged online meeting ahead of the summit so that they would have a chance to discuss their thoughts and perspectives on the workshop topics as well as hear some key updates on the ILDS activities. This meeting was attended by 10 member societies. The feedback from this online meeting was then shared at the summit with participants.

## ILDS MEMBER SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES BY REGION



Region	# Societies	% Societies
Asia Pacific	7	15%
Europe	10	21%
International	5	11%
Latin America and Caribbean	13	28%
South Asia, The Middle East and Africa	9	19%
USA & Canada	3	6%

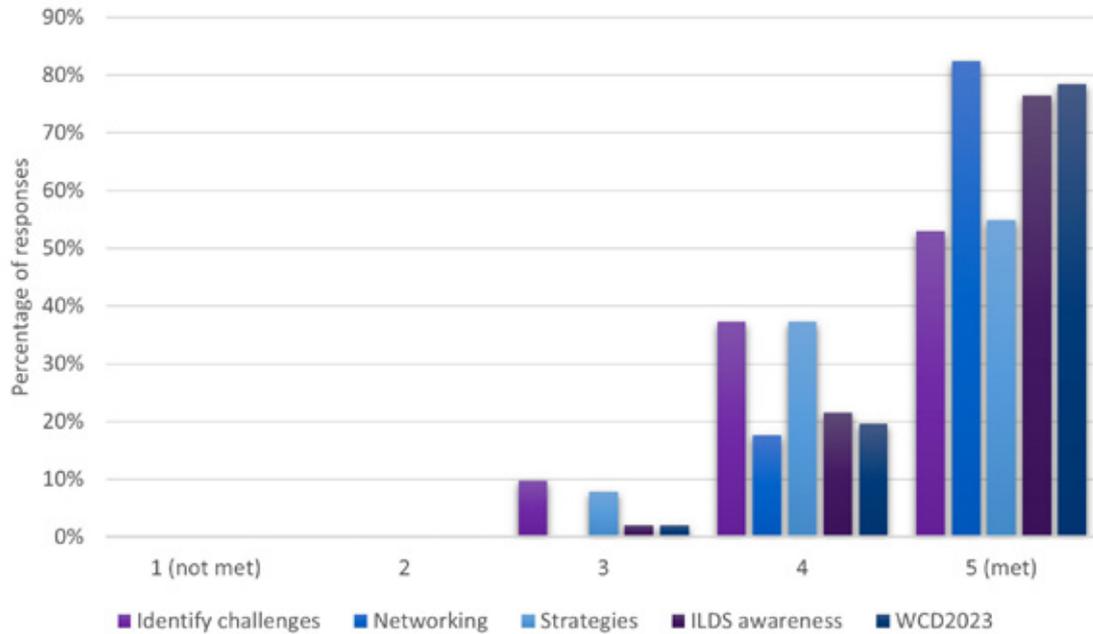
An evaluation form was shared with participants after the Summit, which was completed by 51 delegates. The overall delegate experience was very positive with 100% of the delegates rating it 'very good' or 'excellent' and 98% stating the Summit met their expectations.



When asked to rate if the objectives of the summit were met, overall more than 90% delegates rated these were met 4 or 5 out of 5. The quality of the plenary sessions was also rated highly with more than 90% rating each as 'very good' or 'excellent'.



## DELEGATE RATING OF MEETING SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

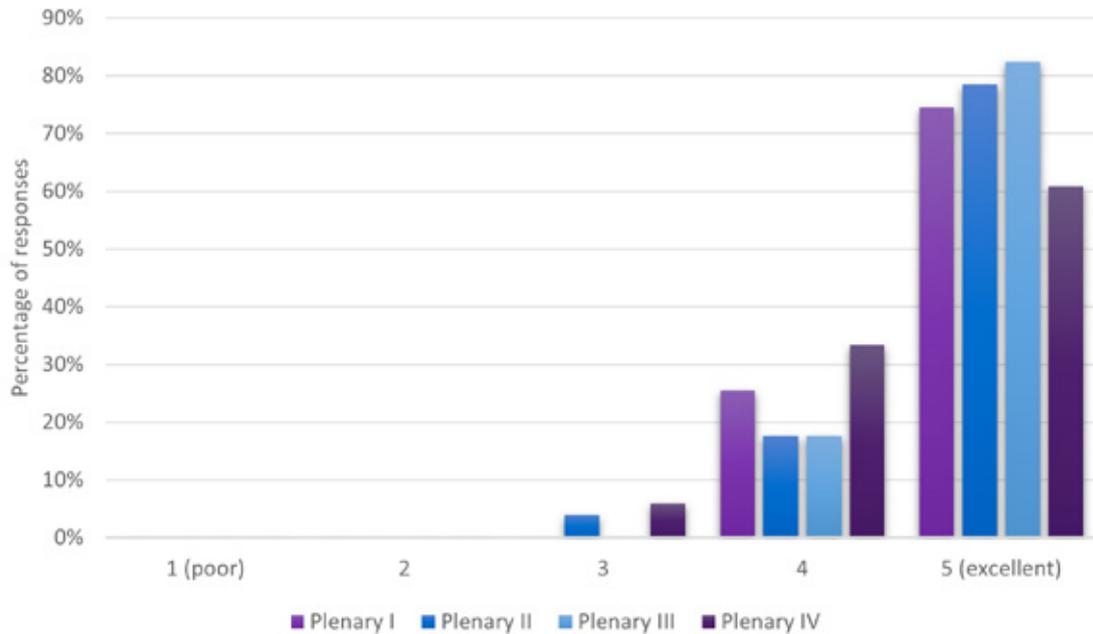


### Objectives as stated in the graph above.

- Identify challenges and develop skills and knowledge to tackle challenges in their countries and/or disease areas.
- Meet fellow dermatology leaders, share experiences, and strengthen networks.
- Develop common strategies to improve global skin health.
- Raise awareness of ILDS’ strategies, projects and collaborations and opportunities for engagement.
- Stimulate engagement in ILDS’ activities and WCD 2023



## DELEGATE RATING OF THE QUALITY OF PLENARY SESSIONS



### Can you inform us what feedback and or recommendations you will be giving to your Society following the Summit?

“We will get fully involved and have more participation in ILDS activities. We will also create partnerships with patient’s associations and plan to participate actively on dermatology and dermatologists advocacy.”

“I will highlight the goals, projects and priorities of ILDS. I will recommend engaging with the Persons With Albinism Clinical Working Group. I will suggest developing closer relationships with ILDS and gather ideas of future potential collaborations. I will raise awareness of ILDS among my colleagues from other patient organizations.”

“That this is a worthwhile and important meeting to attend - great for dermatology.”

### What parts of the programme did you particularly enjoy? / Were there any elements of the programme that you didn’t find as useful or effective?

“I enjoyed the workshop and the relaxed atmosphere of the event.”

“The session about regional specific problems (Latam, Africa, India) was very impressive. The workshops were too short!”

“I really enjoyed the activities related to education. The information gave regarding the new ILDS projects is very useful.”

“Especially interesting to see dermatology in other parts of the world. Asia, India and Afrika. Even though there are also big differences in Dermatology between European Countries.”

“The breakout session was most interesting since we discussed relevant issues in the practice of dermatology and shared our experiences in our respective countries. All elements of the programme were useful or effective.”

“Enjoyed break out small sessions felt empowered to speak and participate. Enjoyed all the plenary sessions as well as the social events.”

# FEEDBACK

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The meeting has been fantastic, the key thing is that you can see the collaboration between countries and colleagues and really the vibrant discussions that are ongoing in the meeting. I am really pleased to hear about possible contributions that we make from the UK particularly with the British Association of Dermatologists – there are lots of areas to really go away and reflect on how we can contribute to the worldwide education of dermatologist for the benefit of all of our patients.

Skin Health for the world – we have to have big aspirations to be able to change things for the better of the world to improve global health and particularly for global health dermatology. I think we all need to work together and collaborate to achieve those aims.

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**Mabs Chowdhury**  
United Kingdom

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We have to educate patients all over the world, and for this purpose this Summit is very special. In Asia, ILDS is the only society to deliver the importance of skin health on an international level.

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**Kenji Kabshima**  
Japan



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It is the first time attending the World Skin Summit and there have been amazing discussions relevant issues related to patients and what the ILDS is doing trying to reach out the global dermatology profession.

I really enjoyed the sessions where patients were sharing their experience because as doctors we sometimes just focus on writing the medication and we do not make time to understand how the patients feel, what's their response and what are some of their priorities in terms of their needs.

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**Ncoza Dlova**  
South Africa

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I think this summit is very important because we will be sharing our opinions and these are going to lead the strategic objectives for skin health in the next years and will be joined by the ILDS.

ILDS is a member society, it joins the regional thoughts of how we can collaborate and help our patients to achieve the goal of global health.

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***Maria Ivonne Arellano***  
Mexico



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To be at this conference with all of these amazing people who are volunteering their time to help patients is truly wonderful because I work for a patient organisation and it is amazing to be in a room full of people that work to support patients in a clinical way and to be able to work with them in helping them provide that full support that patients need.

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***Jennifer Austin***  
Canada



# RECOMMENDED ACTIONS GOING FORWARD



➤ To facilitate engagement and discussion with Member Societies and include them in strategic discussions.



➤ To organise ILDS sessions at national (and regional) annual conference of our Member Societies and partners.



➤ To organise regular online engaging education such as case studies and symposia that will be hosted by a Member Society on a rotating basis.





# THANK YOU

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- Henry Lim (ILDS Board)
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## PATIENT ORGANISATIONS

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