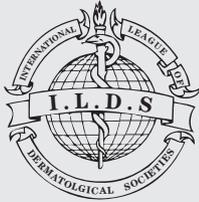


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22nd World Congress of Dermatology Seoul 2011

Letter from Seoul 1st Announcement

As of mid-January 2009 we have received positive confirmation from 25 member societies as to their willingness to help distribute the 1st announcement of the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology and announcements are now being delivered to those member societies. All Societies are encouraged to forward this announcement to their members, wherever possible.

Program Committee Meeting and Board Visit for the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology

To date, nearly 30 different societies have sent in suggestions regarding the programming of the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology to the ILDS office, as shown below. All these suggestions will be discussed during the program committee meeting which will be held on February 12–14 in Berlin. The final confirmation will be made on May 26–29 in Seoul during the Board Visit.

Suggestions have been received from the following Societies (at the time of going to press)

- AFRAD
- American Academy of Dermatology
- Argentine Association of Dermatology
- British Association of Dermatologists
- Bulgarian Society of Dermatology
- Canadian Dermatology Association
- Chilean Society of Dermatology
- Croatian Dermatovenereological Society of the Croatian Medical Association
- Danish Dermatological Society
- Dermatological Society of Thailand
- Dermatology Association of El Salvador
- Dermatovenereology Association of Turkey
- EADV
- European Society for Pediatric Dermatology
- European Society of Contact Dermatitis
- French Society of Dermatology
- Hellenic Society of Dermatology and Venereology

- Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists
- Indonesian Society of Dermatology and Venereology
- International Forum for the Study of ITCH
- International Society of Cutaneous Lymphomas
- Israel Society of Dermatology and Venereology
- Japanese Dermatological Association
- Japanese Society for Investigative Dermatology
- Korean Dermatological Association
- Louis Dubertret (on behalf of the Rene Touraine Foundation)
- Royal Belgian Society for Dermatology and Venereology
- Society for Skin Structure Research
- Sri Lanka College of Dermatologists
- Taiwanese Dermatological Association
- Turkish Society of Dermatology
- Womens Dermatologic Society

Hee Chul Eun, President

Soo-Chan Kim, Secretary General

22nd World Congress of Dermatology

Public Relations

- I. The 67th AAD Annual Meeting will be providing a promotion booth at the exhibition hall of their congress venue from March 7 to 9 in San Francisco. During that time, WCD 2011 will distribute the 1st announcement to all attendees.
- II. The luncheon meeting for sponsors and exhibitors will be held during the 67th AAD meeting.
 - i) Time: 12:00 noon on March 8th, 2009
 - ii) Site: Yerba Buena Salon 7, San Francisco Marriott
 - iii) Invitation will be sent not only to the major sponsors, but also to all the companies that participated in the past World Congresses as well as other major meetings such as AAD or EADV.
- III. From November 21 to 22, 2008, Secretary General Prof. Soo-Chan Kim promoted the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology at the 34th annual meeting of the Taiwanese Dermatological Association, which has 800 members.
- IV. President Prof. Hee Chul Eun was invited as a guest speaker to the 37th National Conference of the Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists which took place January 6–10, 2009, in Bangalore, India. The society, comprised of 5,100 dermatologists, is the 4th largest dermatological society in the world. The organizing committee of the conference kindly offered us space to promote the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology and distribute the 1st announcements. India is one of the candidate countries which will bid to host the 23rd World Congress of Dermatology in 2015.

Societies that agreed to distribute the 1st announcement of the 22nd World Congress of Dermatology

No	Country	Name of Society	Number Delivered
1	Australia	The Australasian College of Dermatologists	500
2	Canada	Canadian Dermatology Association	650
3	China	Institute of Dermatology, Anhui Medical University	1,500
4	Czech Republic	Czech Dermatovenereology Society	800
5	Denmark	Danish Dermatological Society	150
6	Finland	Finnish Dermatological Society	350
7	Greece	The Hellenic Society of Dermatology & Venereology	1,000
8	India	Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists	5,500
9	Iran	Iranian Society of Dermatology	700
10	Israel	Israel Society of Dermatology & Venereology	350
11	Japan	Japanese Dermatological Association	12,000
12	Latvia	Association of Dermato-Venereologists of Latvia	160
13	Mexico	Mexican Society of Dermatologic Surgery & Oncology	400
14	Pakistan	Association of Bangkok Alumni of Dermatology	10
15	Philippines	Philippine Dermatological Society	800
16	Slovakia	Slovak Dermatovenereological Society	460
17	Syria	Syrian Arab Society of Dermatology	350
18	Turkey	Turkish Society of Dermatology	1,700
19	Venezuela	Venezuelan Society of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery	400
20	Belgium	Royal Belgian Society for Dermatology & Venereology	Uploading on home page
21	Germany	German Dermatological Society	Providing database
22	Norway	Norwegian Society of Dermatology	Online distribution
23	Sweden	Swedish Society for Dermatology and Venereology	Providing database
24	Switzerland	Swiss Society of Dermatology & Venereology	Online distribution
25	Turkey	Society of Dermatovenereology	Providing database
		Total	27,780

Letter from the President of the ILDS

WHO/ILDS/ICD11

Dear Colleague

I am writing to update you all on the progression of the revision of the dermatology section of the ICD-10 international classification of diseases. We are in regular contact with WHO which is currently considering our proposals for members of the Topical Advisory Group (TAG) for the ICD11 project which will be co-chaired by **Dr. Robert Chalmers** (UK) and **Dr. Michael Weichenthal** (Germany), on behalf of the ILDS. We will shortly be in a position to advise the names of the TAG members as well as the support team. As previously mentioned, the upgrading of the system will require substantial time and effort by the ILDS; it will also be costly. But we think the

time, effort and cost will be more than justified by the knowledge that the ILDS, the global body in dermatology, is able to undertake this task on behalf of you, our Member Societies. We shall be in contact with you on a regular basis to give you more details on ways in which you may be able to assist the Board in undertaking this major venture. I look forward to communicating further with you about the new ICD11 very soon. Yours sincerely

*Prof. J.-H. Saurat, MD
President of the ILDS
February, 2009*

Members' Corner

Brazilian Society of Dermatology

Tenth National Campaign for Skin Cancer Prevention

The National Campaign for Skin Cancer Prevention (CNPCC – acronym in Portuguese) successfully completed 10 years. More than 200 thousand individuals were seen all over the country in this period. Ten percent of them presented skin cancer and they were all referred to treatment in services accredited by the SBD. On November 8, 2008, approximately two thousand people were involved, including dermatologists and healthcare professionals who volunteered and saw the population in 178 units in several Brazilian cities. Roughly 150 million people were provided information about sun prevention through the national media. In the beginning of February the statistical results of the

CNPCP will be reported. It is estimated that 40 thousand people were provided care.

According to one of the national coordinators of the CNPCP, Marcus Maia, the main focus of the event was the risk group, composed of fair skin individuals, with spots, family history of skin cancer or previous diagnosis of the condition. 'There is no point in beating records. We want to interfere in the incidence of the disease, encouraging primary prevention. We want to avoid cancer and emphasize the importance of using sunscreen and wearing clothes and hats when exposed to the sun.' The other national coordinators are the lecturers Selma Cernea and Lúcio Bakos.

According to the CNPCP coordinator, Dr. Selma Cerne, the next campaign is scheduled for December 5.

One strategy used to disseminate the campaign was to invite several opinion-leaders to be team players and wear the campaign shirt at no charge. The surfer Adriano Souza, the beach volleyball players Nalbert and Virna, the actors Regiane Alves, Lázaro Ramos, Nívea Stelman, Malvino Salvador, Nicete Bruno, Natasha Haydt, Taíssa Carvalho, Amanda Lee and Rocco Pitanga, the TV presenter Sabrina Sato and Fanny Pacheco, former participant of the television program *Big Brother Brasil*, took part.

Backstage of the National Campaign for Skin Cancer Prevention

The actor Malvino Salvador, who plays the character Damião in the soap opera *A Favorita*, at TV Globo, considered the task developed by the SBD important. Read his interview below.

JSBD – What is your opinion about the CNPCP promoted by the SBD?

Malvino Salvador – Any entity related to any profession should disseminate the work developed by its respective professionals. Regarding health, this dissemination is even more relevant and deserves merit. It is noteworthy carrying out a social action to bring information to the population, mainly to the groups with less access to it, not only providing data on types of treatment, but also on ways to prevent an increasingly frequent disease. Moreover, it provides free appointments and treatment all day long.

JSBD – Do you protect yourself against sun exposure? How?

MS – Yes, I avoid excessive sun exposure. I daily use sunscreen factor 30 on the face.

JSBD – Why did you accept to take part in the campaign? Have you participated in such initiatives before?

MS – I assume that if I do some good action I do it for myself. It is a pleasure to contribute with something that is good for everyone.

Skin Cancer in Brazil

In 2008, Teresinha de Jesus Barbosa de Souza, 78 years old, participated in the National Campaign for Skin Cancer Prevention time. She lives in Botafogo neighborhood, in Rio de Janeiro and commented she had never used sunscreen and considered the SBD Campaign very useful. 'Besides making participants aware, word of mouth takes

place – people will give orientations to those who did not come.'

Marilda Domingues, 68 years old, resides in Copacabana and has participated in all campaigns since 2003. 'I am usually informed about the event by the TV', she stated. Marilda has relatives with history of skin cancer and always protects herself against sun exposure. 'It is a wonderful initiative conducted by the SBD. I use sunscreen every day since, according to the saying, better prevent than cure.'



International Union against Sexually Transmitted Infections

The International Union against Sexually Transmitted Infections (IUSTI) is the oldest international organisation in the field (founded in 1923) whose object is the achievement of international cooperation in the control of sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV infection.

IUSTI is concerned not only with the medical aspects but the social and epidemiological aspects of the control of sexually transmitted diseases and increasingly HIV/AIDS. IUSTI is on the Roster of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, and is an Official Non-Government Organisation in Consultative Status with the World Health Organisation.

IUSTI's activities are based on a worldwide co-operation of 5 regions comprising Africa, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Latin America and North America. They include

- training and management in the field of STIs,
- providing information resources throughout its regional structure,
- production of the European STI Management Guidelines,
- publication of a STI textbook by IUSTI Asia-Pacific,
- development of a compendium on STIs on CD-Rom.

Conferences and meetings are held regularly on a worldwide and regional basis with further information available at www.iusti.org. Planned conferences include:

11th IUSTI World Congress

Dates: November 9–12, 2009

Location: Cape Town, South Africa

Website: <http://www.iusti.org/regions/africa/default.htm#saconf>

25th Conference on Sexually Transmitted Infections and HIV/AIDS – IUSTI Europe

Dates: 2010

Location: Tbilisi, Georgia

Contact: Dr. Joseph Kobakhidze
devcokobakhidze@yahoo.com

12th IUSTI World Congress

Dates: November 2–5, 2011

Location: New Delhi, India

Website: www.iusti2011.org

Membership of IUSTI facilitates clinical, research and social interaction for those working in the field of sexually transmitted infections. The IUSTI newsletter, *STI Global Update*, includes regular updates from each IUSTI region in addition to research reviews and conference updates. The most recent newsletter is available at www.iusti.org and includes

- a summary from the WHO on how the Global Strategy for Prevention and Control of STIs will be implemented through measures such as improved surveillance, increased laboratory capacity, reliable supply of medicines, appropriate clinical guidelines and better training,
- reports from each IUSTI region describing what is being done to combat STIs at a country and region level. For example, in Latin America a recent survey has highlighted that free treatment for STIs is provided in 84% of countries but free laboratory testing for STIs only available in two-thirds of countries,
- a comprehensive list of STI and HIV related conferences is also provided in *STI Global Update*.

The North American and African regions also publish regional newsletters, again available at www.iusti.org.

Associate membership of IUSTI is free and further details are available on our website.

Prof. Jonathan Ross, Editor STI Global Update

Prof. Angelika Stary, President IUSTI



12th World Congress on Cancers of the Skin

Joint Meeting

7th World Congress on Melanoma (WHO)

5th Congress of the EADO

European Association of Dermato-Oncology organized by Hubert Pehamberger and Rainer Kunstfeld

May 12–16, 2009, Vienna, Austria

www.worldmelanoma2009.com



7th World Congress on Melanoma – 5th EADO Conference

International Federation of Psoriasis Associations Invitation Program

2nd World Psoriasis & Psoriatic Arthritis Conference 2009

'Psoriasis – Skin and Beyond'

June 24–28 2009, Stockholm, Sweden

www.ifpa-pso.org



International Foundation for Dermatology (IFD)

Albinism – A Ray of Light

One of the major projects of the Regional Training Centre in Moshi, Tanzania, has been directed towards the care of albinos. Albinism in the tropics is fraught with dangers including skin cancer, serious visual loss as well as prejudice. The RDTC albino project, under the careful guidance of the Directors of the Centre and staff, both past and present, has made a huge local impact. The project is now managed by Dr. Alfred Naburi, a past graduate, and it has made tremendous inroads into the care of patients in the district around Kilimanjaro. This work is now multiplying through past graduates in other parts of Tanzania and Africa. The project is also beginning to bear fruit as the number of cases with severe and inoperable skin cancers has fallen significantly, largely due to a well organised outreach surveillance programme and provision of advice on sun protection as well as long sleeved clothes, hats and dark glasses. This work continues and the IFD is seeking further support to ensure that the benefits for those at risk can be spread wider.

There are, however, other problems faced by albinos. In a report in the January 15th, 2009 issue of the Economist, the correspondent reported on a spate of killings of at least 35 albinos in Tanzania last year to supply witch doctors with limbs, organs and hair for their potions. This has prompted the Tanzanian government to act. It has roundly condemned the killings and prejudice against their albino population and has promoted a number of initiatives such as providing mobile phones with a police hot line for albinos. There is now an albino member of parliament championing the interests of an estimated 200,000 albinos in Tanzania alone. This has been warmly applauded although there remains much to be done and there is now evidence of similar incidents occurring elsewhere.

Volunteers working with the Moshi YWCA, also assisted by Herma Grossman and staff of the RDTC, have actively promoted cultural methods of reducing prejudice and violence against albinos through innovative methods such as local youth theatre. Visitors attending the annual continuous medical education (CME) event at the Centre will have seen examples of this work which provides a powerful message.

The combination of medical intervention and local support is a potent weapon to improve the lot of albinos, and past graduates of the RDTC attending the annual meetings are developing their own local programmes to widen the support network.

DERMLINK GRANTS

1. What is a Dermlink Grant?

A Dermlink Grant is a sum of money up to US\$3,000 disbursed on the recommendation of the Dermlink Committee in response to applications for these grants.

2. Who decides the criteria, and how often are they reviewed?

The Dermlink Committee decides eligibility for applications and recommends these for approval by the ILDS Board. The criteria for a Dermlink Grant are reviewed on an ad hoc basis and are determined by the amount of money available for Dermlink Grants from the ILDS.

3. Who is eligible to receive a Dermlink Grant?

Those eligible to receive a Dermlink Grant are:

For an ILDS Member Society: A small grant-in-aid may be awarded to an ILDS Member Society or Affiliate Member Society in a **Developing country**, for the purchase of teaching materials needed for Society educational programs.

For an individual dermatologist who is a member of the Society: A short-term training grant, or a travel grant facilitating attendance at a course or conference, may be awarded to a member of an ILDS Member society in a **Developing country**.

For a Department of dermatology in a country with an ILDS Member Society: A small grant-in-aid may be awarded to a not-for-profit department of dermatology in a **Developing Country** for equipment and teaching materials.

Since the ILDS cannot maintain communications direct with departments of dermatology around the world, the only way it can help is through our Member and Affiliate Member Societies who may know which departments of dermatology in their countries are in need of support. **Societies are urged to apply for assistance on behalf on those departments.**

Application forms for DERMLINK Grants are available to download from the ILDS website or by request to the Administrative Office. Closing date for the receipt of applications is 31st March, 2009.

R. Hay, Chairman, UK

Update from the Administrative Officer

ILDS Certificate of Appreciation

ILDS Certificate of Appreciation Awards presentation

At the national congress in Maracaibo, Venezuela, Dr. Nacarid Aranzazou, Chairman of Dermatology of the School of Medicine Jose Maria Vargas of the Universidad Central de Venezuela accepted the ILDS Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of Dr. Jacinto Convit as he was unable to be there in person. The President of the Society, Dr. Rolando Hernandez and the rest of the Society's Board were present. The presentation was made by Professor Jorge Ocampo-Candiani, ILDS Board Member.



ILDS Certificate of Appreciation Awards 2009

Nominations are sought for this year's ILDS Certificate of Appreciation Awards. Nomination forms have been sent to all our Society Members for completion and these may also be downloaded from the ILDS website (www.ilds.org) for simplicity. Please note that the closing date for the receipt of your Society's nominations is Tuesday, 31st March, 2009.

You will have special knowledge of members of your society who might be suitable for an award. We would be pleased if you could nominate a small number, perhaps between 1-3 persons whom you think might be eligible. To assist you in choosing your nominees for the Certificate of Appreciation, we show below the criteria we believe characterise individuals who may be suitable. These include:

1. The individual has made a long-term, outstanding contribution to clinical or academic dermatology, at a national or international level, that is well beyond what would be expected of an individual in their normal working life.
2. The work has been of value particularly in developing countries.
3. The individual has been undertaking his work in a selfless, a humanitarian and a not-for-profit manner.

E. Arnold, London, UK