



International League
of Dermatological Societies

2nd ILDS World Skin Summit

Skin Health for the World

First Announcement

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

10-12 June 2018

Local Collaborating organisations:

The Vietnamese Society of Dermatology and Venereology
The Ho Chi Minh City Hospital of Dermato-Venereology

An Invitation to Global Leaders in Dermatology

It is my honour to cordially invite leaders from our ILDS Member Societies to the 2nd World Skin Summit, to be held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam in June 2018. This Summit will build on the initiatives, projects, and collective visions that were launched at the inaugural ILDS Summit of 2012 in Berlin.

This is an exciting and special opportunity to join colleagues from around the world, with the common goal of improving the skin health of all people. We will find inspiration and friendship in the vibrant metropolis of Ho Chi Minh City while working on global challenges and opportunities in dermatology. The World Skin Summit is meant to serve as an action-oriented think tank that will complement and take place one year before the ILDS's next quadriennial World Congress of Dermatology in Milan 2019.

We look forward to seeing you in 2018!



Professor Harvey Lui
President, ILDS



About the Summit

The Summit is a special and unique global event that will involve the leaders of ILDS Member Societies. The goal is to work together towards a vision of attaining the best possible skin health for all people around the world.

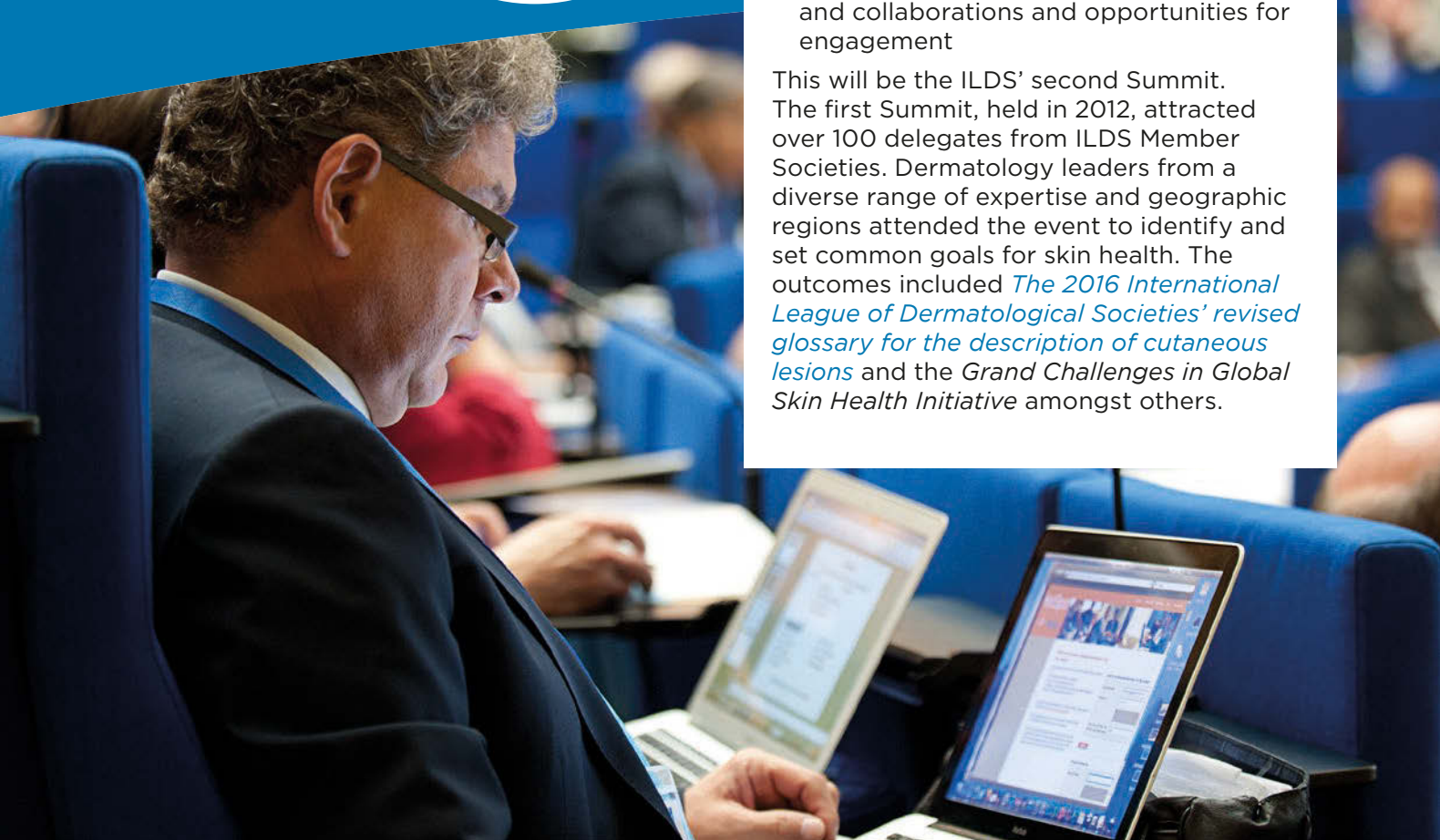
The Summit will provide an educational forum for sharing and discussion, enabling leaders in dermatology to consider and develop strategies to improve skin health at local, national, regional and global levels.

The ILDS' growing membership of **165 organisations** from over **80 countries** will be represented at the Summit by their Presidents and Officers, thereby bringing together highly influential experts from the world of dermatology. Collectively you will represent the geographical diversity of ILDS' membership.

Through an interactive programme with plenary and workshop sessions and social activities you will:

- Identify challenges and develop skills and knowledge to tackle challenges in your country and/or disease area
- Meet fellow dermatology leaders, share experiences and strengthen networks
- Develop common strategies to improve global skin health
- Learn about ILDS strategies, projects and collaborations and opportunities for engagement

This will be the ILDS' second Summit. The first Summit, held in 2012, attracted over 100 delegates from ILDS Member Societies. Dermatology leaders from a diverse range of expertise and geographic regions attended the event to identify and set common goals for skin health. The outcomes included *The 2016 International League of Dermatological Societies' revised glossary for the description of cutaneous lesions* and the *Grand Challenges in Global Skin Health Initiative* amongst others.



Objectives

The Summit Programme is designed to provide a collegial forum to give you the opportunity to:

- **Identify challenges and develop skills and knowledge** to tackle challenges in your country and/or disease area through mutual exchange and capacity building opportunities.
 - Elicit updates on current challenges in skin health around the world, and how the ILDS and your peers can support each other to address them
 - Provide educational examples of successful strategies in different areas of dermatology
 - Define common philanthropic activities
 - Enhance understanding via exchange of experience and case studies
- **Meet fellow dermatology leaders and healthcare stakeholders** from around the world, while sharing experiences and strengthening networks for ongoing activities.
- **Develop common strategies** for ILDS and Member Societies to assume a leading role in improving global skin health.
 - Increase the awareness and understanding amongst Member Societies of the ILDS' Strategic Plan
 - Stimulate support for and engagement in current initiatives such as World Skin Health Day
 - Develop new projects and collaborations to be launched at the World Congress of Dermatology in 2019

Themes

The Summit programme will focus on key issues and strategies relevant to the ILDS' Member Societies. During this Summit we will also address dermatological issues that affect the South-East Asian region as well as other underserved regions. The Programme Committee is actively consulting Member Societies and regional representatives to develop the final programme.

In addition to considering current important specific dermatological conditions, we will explore the evolving role of dermatologists and the scope of service delivery for skin disorders by other health professionals and providers. The Summit will also address priority issues of the International Foundation for Dermatology (www.ifd.org), the humanitarian arm of the ILDS, such as rare or neglected diseases and underserved patients in resource-poor settings.

Outputs

- **New targeted projects** on global dermatological issues
- **Comprehensive programme book and database** with written reports on what each country/region/subspecialty is conducting relative to ILDS' strategic objectives
- **Final report** assessing the key measurable outcomes of the Summit and making recommendations for future work disseminated to Member Societies and key stakeholders



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Preliminary Summit Programme

Sunday 10 June

17:00 - 19:00 Registration

19:00 - 21:00 Welcome Reception

Monday 11 June

09:00 - 12:30 Welcome Addresses
Plenary Sessions
Parallel and Workshop Sessions

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 17:30 Plenary Sessions
Parallel and Workshop Sessions

19:00 - 22:00 Networking Dinner

Tuesday 12 June

09:00 - 12:30 Plenary Sessions
Parallel and Workshop Sessions

12:30 - 13:00 Closing Ceremony



Planning your visit

Venue

An international standard hotel in a convenient location in Ho Chi Minh City with all the business facilities that you would expect.

Accommodation

Accommodation will be available at or very near the official Summit headquarters hotel.

Visas

Some visitors to Vietnam will require a visa. We recommend that all delegates check their individual country visa requirements. The ILDS can provide official letters of invitation if necessary. Please indicate your requirements on the registration form.

Time to Explore?

Ho Chi Minh City and Vietnam

Vietnam is a country of breath-taking natural beauty with a unique heritage and plenty of scope for those attending the 2nd ILDS World Skin Summit. Attendees can take time before or after the event to explore the country. It is the easternmost country on the Indochina Peninsula in South-East Asia and, with 95 million inhabitants, is the world's 14th most populous country.

Ho Chi Minh City is Vietnam's largest city. It is a vibrant city situated on the banks of the Saigon River. Explore the museums and Cu Chi Tunnels to understand the history of the country, shop in the many markets, sample the street food or explore the arts, architecture and pagodas of the city. There is much to do in Ho Chi Minh City.



Frequently Asked Questions

Who will attend?

Summit attendance is exclusively open to official leaders of ILDS Member Societies.

How many delegates can attend from each society?

Up to three delegates from each Society can attend (subject to availability). The President of each Society is guaranteed a place. Societies may wish to also send one other Officer or Board representative and the head of the secretariat such as an Executive Director or the equivalent.

What are the costs of attending the Summit?

- **Registration** - Registration to attend the Summit is complimentary but is via ILDS invitation only. Registration will include attendance at sessions and refreshments during the Summit.
- **Travel and accommodation** - Delegates and/or their Societies will need to cover the travel, accommodation and any other costs of attendance.

Is there any funding support to attend?

There is a limited Bursary Fund which is designed to support Member representatives who would not otherwise have any other way to fund their attendance, especially those from low income countries. Only one delegate from each qualifying ILDS Member Society can apply to the Bursary Fund.

How can I register to attend the Summit?

Registration will open in December 2017 and you will be sent the details at that time.

I don't need funding to attend. Can I or my Society make a donation towards the ILDS Bursary Fund?

Yes, we would gratefully receive any contributions towards the Bursary Fund. Your contributions will make it possible for those who would otherwise not be able to participate to attend. Donations can be made during the registration process or at any time through contacting office@ilds.org

Will I get the opportunity for sightseeing?

There are fantastic opportunities for sightseeing in Ho Chi Minh City and we would recommend that you extend your trip to explore. We will be providing information on sightseeing excursions and tours that you can participate in.

How can I keep up-to date with information about the Summit?

We will send updates to Member Societies and designated individuals on key developments. You can also 'like' ILDS on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

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