



### President's Message

Dear colleagues:

Only 2 months ago I was elected as the new president of the ISDS. This appointment would represent an important challenge for any of us, bearing in mind the great prestige our society holds. For this reason I am very much honored to serve as your President.

My election to this office encouraged some reflections on my part. I attended my first ISDS meeting as a first-year dermatological resident in 1981. I was in awe of the "giants" in dermatologic surgery: Dr. Perry Robins, Dr. George Popkin, Dr. Robert Baran, Dr. Rex Amonette, just to name a few. Thus, it is with a sense of humility and respect for my predecessors in the ISDS that I undertake the challenge of the Presidency. From the time of its founding, the ISDS has been in the avant-garde of dermatologic surgery, and serves as the reference point for any specialist of dermatology of any country of the world. Therefore, it poses for me a great responsibility, for which I am ready to work very hard.

In the next two years, I believe that it is important to stay the course set by our two most recent presidents, Doctors Alex Camps and Alina Fratila. They have been able to carry out their tasks with great expertise and amiability. First, we must continue extending and polishing the concept of dermatologic surgery. Secondly, **we must seek out and embrace the expertise of other continents such as Asia, South America and Africa.** Thirdly, we must continue to reassess the adequacy of the functioning of the ISDS and attempt to upgrade it.. The efforts of our hard-working Presidents alone are insufficient for the survival and growth of the ISDS. In order to be a success it is necessary that every one of the members of the ISDS helps by contributing his/her ideas and collaborating for the good of the ISDS.

We must not interfere with the natural evolution that dermatologic surgery is experiencing as it gravitates more toward cosmetic surgery. It is my belief that this

development is due more to the requests of our own patients than to something generated by us surgeons. Our society, which has always been in the avant-garde, must continue to offer to the youngest members the possibility of being informed and trained in the most current therapeutic methods.

As we ponder our future, there are other important issues that demand our immediate attention: improvement of our Web page; improvement of our management; getting more attractive for new members, young dermatologists; stimulating your participation in contributing to our Envoy Newsletter; preparation of the next meetings. This multiplicity of important issues that requires almost constant attention begs the need for additional executive support for the Board of Directors, in particular the inestimable help of our Founder President, Perry Robins; the Executive Directors Bill Hanke and Antonio Picoto, and the new Associate Executive Director, Sonja Sattler. Our next annual meeting will be in Dublin (Ireland) and we have also other commitments for Istanbul and Venice in the next years.

In Dublin, a beautiful venue has been chosen for the upcoming Congress, close to the capital Dublin. The program, designed by Bill Hanke, is extremely attractive and innovative. Soon you will receive the preliminary version with the call for abstracts. I know many of you will come to this year's meeting and contribute your own experiences.

In closing, these next two years appear very exciting for the ISDS and I feel privileged to be your President.

Julian Sanchez Conejo-Mir  
President of the ISDS



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### DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- 26th Annual Meeting of the ISDS – **Dublin/Ireland** - September 22-25, 2005
- 27th Annual Meeting of the ISDS – **Istanbul/Turkey** – September 14-17, 2006
- 28th Annual Meeting of the ISDS – **Venice/Italy** – September 2007


## EVENTS - UPCOMING CONGRESS NEWS - DUBLIN, HERE WE COME!

26<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress  
of the



# ISDS

What's True about What's New in Dermatologic Surgery  
In cooperation with the ESLD (European Society for Laser Dermatology)  
September 22-25, 2005 Dublin/Ireland



Marriott Druids Glen Hotel & Country Club  
Abstract deadline: April 30, 2005  
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### SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Dear members and friends of the ISDS, don't miss our this year's upcoming Annual Congress in Dublin/Ireland, which will take place from September 22-25, 2005 at the Marriott Druids Glen Hotel & Country Club. Our intention is to create that unique ISDS type of friendship and learning atmosphere influenced by the beauty and happiness of Ireland and their people.

Our program chair, Dr. C. William Hanke, has outlined this year's excellent program and invites you to speak on your favourite valuable subjects.

With our motto: What's True about what's New in Dermatologic Surgery we want to provide latest information on an international basis which will enhance your view about the development of dermatologic surgery today. Call for Abstracts deadline 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2005 !!

Please click on our website [www.isdsworld.com](http://www.isdsworld.com) for the advanced program, abstract form and additional information about our this year's intensified social program activities.

### SPECIAL OFFERS:

Residents warmly welcome!  
It is the intention of our Society to educate the new generations of Dermatologic Surgeons. But also we see the need for keeping our Society young. Young residents will inspire our Society with their fresh outlook and ambition, and they, in return, will benefit from the years of experience and expertise of the ISDS members. We invite all residents to join us at our this years Annual Congress

for a special rate of 100 EUR for the complete Scientific Program – Deadline is June 30, 2005 for this incredible offer!



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### SOCIAL PROGRAM

Our Social Program Committee organizes a colourful variety of social side events such as the Golf tournament on the two famous Druid Glen and Druid Heath Golf courses, horseback riding, tennis, clay pigeon shooting, a bicycle tour, a traditional IRISH Gala Dinner at a famous location, and much more, what will be announced ahead of time of the congress.

Come and join us for this year's Annual ISDS Meeting in Dublin to feel that old wonderful feeling again of special friendship and professional expertise.

Sonja Sattler  
Associate Executive Director of the ISDS

## COME AND JOIN OUR PRECONGRESS TOUR FROM SEPTEMBER 18-21, 2005. ENJOY DUBLIN CITY, THE GUINNESS FACTORY THE TABEL BAR PUB DISTRICT AT NIGHT AND A DAYTOUR TO THE WEST COAST OF IRELAND!



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## News

**Sonja Sattler** was appointed to the position of Associate Executive Director. Sonja is the wife of Dr. Gerhard Sattler and, in addition to raising two beautiful children and assisting Gerhard in his busy Rosenpark Klinik, she has agreed to perform this function for the next 5 years, without compensation. Since we have our business office in Darmstadt, she is ideally located for this position, and with her breadth of experience in organizing scientific meetings she will be of invaluable assistance to the ISDS in moving us into the 21st Century. Her vibrant personality and persistence in getting things done will be of inestimable value to our organization. We are fortunate that she has agreed to accept this responsibility and look forward to working with her. We would like all of you to assist her in any way possible to make her awesome task a little easier.

**Second Year of The Journal of Drugs in Dermatology** – The Journal became the official organ for the ISDS one year ago. Through grants from Dermik Laboratories, Inc. and DUSA Pharmaceuticals, we have been able to provide a complimentary subscription to all members. This agreement extends through 2005. For ISDS members, being affiliated with the Journal gives us priority in getting our articles published, in color and without charge. The Journal is listed in Index Medicus and has, in a very short time, gained the respect of dermatologists far and wide. It is currently being distributed to 10,000 dermatologists in the US, in addition to members of the ISDS.

**Annual Board Meeting** was held on Thursday, October 7, 2004 in Barcelona, Dr. Alina Fratila presiding. Important topics covered included:

**Turkey** – we were unable to arrange acceptable dates for hotels in Turkey for the 2005 meeting, so we decided that we will hold the 2006 Annual Meeting in Istanbul/Turkey, from September 14 – 17, 2006.

**Korea** – after looking into the possibility of holding one of our annual meetings in Korea, we realized that we could not expect high attendance at a meeting there, other than Korean doctors. The Society had not finalized any arrangement with the Korean Society, so we came to a mutually acceptable alternative arrangement – the society suggests an ISDS-Southeast Asia Conference in Seoul, Korea, in the Spring of 2006. The Board authorized the appointment of a Committee to organize this Conference,

consisting of Dr. Picoto, Dr. Hanke, and Dr. Sanchez Conejo-Mir, to work with the Korean Society. Dr. Mitch Goldman and Dr. Michael Gold were appointed to develop a program and choose the Faculty. In order to increase the awareness of dermatologic surgery in that part of the world the ISDS is planning a second annual spring meeting in the future which will take place in the Eastern part of our world.



**Dubai** – Dr. Lawrence Field introduced representatives from the Derma Clinic in Dubai. Mr. Monzer Jabak, Chief Manager, presented the possibility of the ISDS joining with the Clinic to arrange for Workshops, training sessions and conferences in that part of the world. The ISDS would share in the profits, with no financial responsibility. The Organizing Committee for this project is Gerhard Sattler, William Hanke and Alina Fratila.

**Membership Report** – was given by Dr. Ocampo-Candiani. We have lost about 30% of our membership. The explanation given is that we are too successful! We have trained so many doctors in the various aspects of dermatologic surgery that they have now formed societies in their own individual fields of expertise. Efforts will be made to increase our membership in the forthcoming year.

**Dues** – because of increased costs, it was decided to raise the membership dues to Euro 125 starting in 2005.

**Envoy Newsletter** – to economize, the Newsletter will be sent by e-mail or (for those who do not have e-mail) by fax, thus minimizing printing and postage costs. Please inform our Headquarters about your e-mail address or fax number. Members who will not provide their contact information will miss future envoys.

**International Alliance** – The ISDS has been looked upon as the grandfather of dermatologic surgery societies. We have helped to establish numerous new societies around the world. When created, there were only handful – now there are probably over 40, worldwide. To collab-

orate with all these societies and make our voice heard, we are asking the leading societies to join with us in an International Alliance, and to send a member to our annual meetings to represent their interests.

### EADV – London October 2005

Shortly after our “Irish” Annual ISDS Meeting the European Academy of Dermatology and Venerology is meeting in London from October 12-16, 2005. The ISDS has planned a two hours scientific program on Saturday October 15, 2005 during the sisters society program. If you are participating in London at the EADV please come and join us during that special ISDS event.

**New Members** – we encourage all members to invite colleagues to join the ISDS to increase our membership. We are offering complimentary memberships to Residents and Fellows while they complete their training in dermatology. They will receive all benefits of the Society, except the subscription to the Journal of Drugs in Dermatology.

**Finally married** – After 15 years of “family wild life” our valuable secretary Silvia Becker has finally married on December 30, 2004. All ISDS members congratulate for this courageous decision and wish the new couple all the very best for future.

### ISDS Congress Barcelona 2004 Participants from 39 countries shared their experiences!

February 7, 2005

	Country	Members	Non-Members	Residents
Argentina	1	0	0	1
Australia	1	0	0	1
Austria	2	2	0	4
Belgium	3	1	1	5
Brazil	1	3	1	5
Canada	1	0	0	1
Chile	4	2	0	6
Costa Rica	0	0	2	2
Cyprus	2	0	0	2
Egypt	0	0	1	1
France	0	1	0	1
Germany	20	5	1	26
Greece	5	1	0	6
Guatemala	0	2	0	2
India	2	0	0	2
Indonesia	4	1	0	5
Israel	5	5	0	10
Italy	7	1	1	9
Japan	0	0	3	3
Jordan	1	0	0	1
Korea	12	9	1	22
Kuwait	2	0	0	2
Lebanon	1	0	0	1
Mexico	3	0	1	4
Pakistan	0	0	1	1
Philippines	2	0	0	2
Portugal	4	3	0	7
Qatar	0	0	1	1
Romania	1	0	2	3
Russia	0	3	0	3
Saudi Arabia	4	10	0	14
Singapor	1	0	0	1
Spain	96	0	29	125
Sweden	5	0	1	6
Switzerland	0	1	0	1
The Netherlands	3	3	7	13
Turkey	0	2	0	2
United Kingdom	5	5	1	11
USA	19	8	2	29
	<b>217</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>341</b>

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