

ANNUAL ACADEMIC MEETING

# DERMFEST 2008

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER

HILTON MALTA

## Meeting Focus

The 2008 meeting will have two major sessions separated by a shorter one featuring clinical presentations by both dermatologists and family doctors.

At the express request of our family doctor colleagues, the first session will focus on Skin and Internal Disease with a number of common but major topics being addressed: diabetes, the polycystic ovary syndrome, generalized pruritus, urticaria, and cutaneous signs of internal malignancy. Since Malta is not immune to the rapid increase of STD's throughout Europe and beyond, we have thought it important to have an update on this important topic for the afternoon session. Our eminent guest from Ireland is Derek Freedman who is a Founding member of the European Academy of Dermatology & Venereology and an authority on prevention and management of STD's at both national and European level. The situation in Malta will be discussed at both hospital and family doctor level, and followed by an update on AIDS / HIV. To conclude, a panel discussion will take place to point the way forward for our efforts to control STD. The panel will include participants with hands-on experience of dealing with some higher risk groups. In addition we are fortunate to have a special lecture by Stephen Vassallo who for a number of months each year runs a clinic for the deprived in Guatemala.



MALTESE ASSOCIATION OF  
DERMATOLOGY AND VENEREOLOGY

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## Target Audience

In addition to dermato-venereologists, this meeting will be of interest to general physicians, family doctors, and specialists in infectious diseases and public health.

## Pharmaceutical exhibition

Actavis  
Astellas Pharma Europe B.V.  
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## Continuing Medical Education (CME)

The national accreditation authority (MAM) has awarded six (6) CME units to this educational activity. These are equivalent to European CME Credits (ECMEC's).

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The Maltese Association of Dermatology and Venereology  
(MADV) announces the 2008 Annual Academic Meeting

## FACULTY

Charmaine Apap	Dermatologist
Sue Aquilina	Dermatologist
Anthony P. Azzopardi	Family Doctor
Godfrey Baldacchino	Dermatologist
Martin Balzan	Consultant Physician
Michael Boffa	Consultant Dermatologist
Eileen Borg	Dermatologist
Philip Carabot	Consultant STD
Eileen Clark	Dermatologist
George Depasquale	Dermatologist
Nikki Farrugia	Medecins Sans Frontieres
Derek Freedman	Consultant STD St James & University College Dublin
Paul Gatt	Consultant Dermatologist
Charles Mallia Azzopardi	Consultant Physician Infectious Diseases
Joseph Pace	Consultant Dermatologist
Lawrence Scerri	Consultant Dermatologist
Stephen Vassallo	Guatemala Clinic

## PROGRAMME

09:00 Welcome - **Joseph Pace** President MADV  
Official Opening - **Hon. Joseph Cassar**  
Parliamentary Secretary for Health

### SESSION ONE

09:00-11:35

#### Skin in internal disease

Chairs: **L. Scerri, G. Depasquale**  
09:10 Generalised pruritus **S. Aquilina**  
09:35 Urticaria **L. Scerri**  
10:00 The polycystic ovary syndrome in dermatology **J. Pace**  
10:25 Coffee Break

10:40 Presentation of MADV 2008 Medical Student Prize  
in Dermatology

Chairs: **M. Balzan, C. Mallia Azzopardi**  
10:45 Diabetes and the skin **M. Boffa**  
11:10 Cutaneous signs of internal malignancy **P. Gatt**

### SESSION TWO

11:35-12:30

#### Clinical cases

Chairs: **P. Gatt, A. Azzopardi**  
Coordinator: **E. Borg**  
11:35 Case presentations  
**C. Apap, G. Baldacchino, E. Borg, E. Clark**  
Department of Dermatology

12:30 Lunch Break

### SESSION THREE

14:00-17:10

14:00 Special Lecture: Mission Guatemala **S. Vassallo**

#### Sexually transmitted diseases

Chairs: **D. Freedman, M. Boffa**  
14:25 Introduction **J. Pace**  
14:30 What's new in STDs **D. Freedman**  
15:00 *Medecins sans frontieres* experience **N. Farrugia**

15:20 Coffee Break

Chairs: **J. Pace, P. Carabot**  
15:40 STDs - The Malta story **P. Carabot**  
16:05 HIV/AIDS update **C. Mallia Azzopardi**  
16:30 Panel discussion  
How do we need to improve our STD services?

17:10 Farewell Drink. An original watercolour  
by John Martin Borg will be raffled  
amongst participants present

## REGISTRATION FORM

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER

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Yes, I am interested to attend  
and participate in DermalFest 2008  
the MADV Annual Academic Meeting

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** €35  
**Students' Fee** €10

Registration fee covers meeting material, lunch, coffee breaks and parking  
in the hotel carpark. Students' fee excludes lunch.

For registration please return this form, with payment, to:  
**Dr G Depasquale, Hon Treasurer MADV,**  
**Villa Pace, Triq I-Imsida, Birkirkara**

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