The CIDESCO World Conference was held in Zurich on 13 – 15 October 2012. CIDESCO’s Annual Meetings – the General Assembly, Examiners Workshop and Schools Meeting - together with lectures presented by international speakers and a host of sponsors were presented at this prestigious occasion. Social events in the form of the Formal Dinner hosted at the Zunfthaus Zur Saffran and the Welcome Cocktail Party which was held at the CIDESCO Head Office building were well attended by keen delegates.

Friday 12 October 2012:

The pre-congress Board meeting chaired by CIDESCO President Kyriacos Poupoutsis was held at the CIDESCO Head Office. Following the meeting, a highly productive Education Committee Meeting chaired by CIDESCO Honorary President Ursula van Deelen was held.

Saturday 13 October 2012:

Examiners Workshop

The CIDESCO Examiners Workshop was held the following day at the Maria Schweizer School hosted by Josephine Wackett, CIDESCO Board Member of Education. A Practical session was held where 8 examiners, working in pairs, demonstrated essential manual skills during the morning. 70 examiners from countries worldwide attended.
Following the successful Examiners Workshop all Examiners were treated to a beautiful lunch at the Swissôtel, where sponsors were present displaying their products.

We would like to thank our sponsors:

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**Lectures programme**

After lunch, CIDESCO Vice-President Anna-Cari Gund introduced our lecturers to a full capacity audience:

Dr Kruglikov – Germany – Scientific basics of body treatments, future strategies by circumference reduction and cellulite treatments and Super fractionation;

Dr Zulli – Switzerland – Stem cells in cosmetic products and future trends;

Dr Gerny and Ms Tischhauser – Switzerland - Aesthetic Dermatology

**CIDESCO Cocktail evening**

That evening a welcome Cocktail evening was held at the CIDESCO Head Office, sponsored by the City & Canton Zurich and hosted by the CIDESCO Board Members, the Secretariat staff and members of the Swiss Section. More than 220 people attended. Traditional Swiss musicians entertained the guests with much gusto while the guests enjoyed snacks and drinks mixing with the CIDESCO ‘family’.
Sunday 14 October 2012:

**CIDESCO Schools meeting**

The CIDESCO Schools meeting was held at Swissôtel hosted by Josephine Wackett CIDESCO Board Member of Education, during which time a lecture was presented by Carlton Professional on electrical equipment. A demonstration was performed with MDA Diamond Head and Light therapy with more than 150 peoples all representing CIDESCO in attendance.

**Lectures programme**

After lunch, CIDESCO General Secretary Ronelle Iten introduced the second day of lectures to another full capacity audience:

Mr Fleckenstein – Switzerland – Innovative Laser methods and the power of light;

Dr Andrea Bovero and Dr Umberto Borellini – Italy – Skin and Brain: new trends in cosmetic treatments.

**CIDESCO Formal Dinner**

After a day filled with information, delegates attended the CIDESCO formal dinner at the Zunfthaus zur Safran – one of the oldest Gild houses in Switzerland – with 165 people attending. It was a fabulous night for all to enjoy. Sandy Roy, CIDESCO Public Relations Board Member, did a great job as MC for the evening. We all enjoyed a Swiss traditional meal with light background music as accompaniment. Mrs Marianne Zambotti - President of the Chamber of Commerce for Ladies - of the Canton Zurich was our honored guest. She gave an entertaining speech on the Beauty Profession in Switzerland as well as the history of the Zunfthaus. CIDESCO President Kyriacos Poupoutsis delivered a very interesting speech on the history, function and aims of CIDESCO worldwide. He spoke of the National CIDESCO Section Members in 32 countries, the 250 Accredited CIDESCO Schools, 80 Accredited CIDESCO Beauty Centres and tens of thousands of members globally. CIDESCO is truly the International Link to the World of Beauty and Spa Therapy.
Awards were presented to:

Section Membership Anniversaries:

20 years – Australia B
20 years – Cyprus
30 years – China
40 years – Japan

Mrs Ursula van Deelen – retiring Chairperson of the Education committee

Dr Martin Ammann – Legal Advisor, for his 25 years of dedicated service to CIDESCO.
Monday 15 October 2012:

General Assembly

The General Assembly was held at the Swissôtel with Sections attending from 28 countries. 80 people attended. CIDESCO President Kyriacos Poupoutsis presided over the meeting.

As the CIDESCO Board’s four year term came to an end, elections were held during the General Assembly and a new International Board was elected:

President
Anna-Cari Gund
Sweden

Vice-President
Josephine Wackett
Great Britain

Treasurer
Ken Kume
Japan

Education
Narelle Blinman
Australia

Public Relations
Sandy Roy
South Africa

General Secretary
Brigitte Sterz
Germany

Kyriacos Poupoutsis was honoured by the General Assembly for his 12 year commitment to CIDESCO, being awarded an Honorary Presidency.
The General Assembly awarded the National CIDESCO Section China the privilege to host the 2013 CIDESCO World Congress & Exhibition.

The 61st CIDESCO World Congress & Exhibition will be held in China: Wuhan Province from the 7th to 11th November 2013. More details will be available via the CIDESCO website on www.cidesco.com.

The CIDESCO Board would like to thank the CIDESCO Head Office staff who all performed exceptionally throughout the Conference. Gerard Gordon, Anne Maestrini, Graziella Collacicco, Timea Vaczlavik, Sandra Neumeyer and Sandy Aerne.

Tuesday 16 October 2012:

The post-conference Board meeting was held with the old and new Board members, chaired by Honorary President Kyriacos Poupoutsis and co-chaired by newly presiding President Anna - Carl Gund at CIDESCO International's Head Office.

PHOTOS

For those who were not able to attend the CIDESCO Conference you can download photos by copying this link and past it in your web browser:
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