



Why I chose to organise a course with EADV School



EADV School asked three distinguished course chairs to discuss their inspirations for organising a course with EADV and the benefits offered by EADV's educational programme for both the participants and hosting institutions.

What inspired you to organise a course with EADV School?

Dr Paola Pasquali (PP): Two years ago, I was asked to organise a Fostering Course on Cryosurgery for residents. Back then as a first-timer, I found myself with the challenge of putting together a two-day programme that would condense the scientific knowledge of my area of expertise. I had to make sure that each presentation in itself was a "masterclass", with take-home messages and plenty of practical examples; selecting professors with expertise and plenty of enthusiasm; choosing an appealing location; and, making arrangements that would help my participants feel at home by creating a good working atmosphere. Last but not least, I needed to find patients willing to participate in the practical sessions. I would like to believe that my Reus/Valls experience in 2016 was all that and the good experience motivated me to go for a second round.

Prof Bianca-Maria Piraccini (BMP): I organised my first Fostering Course on Hair and Scalp Disorders in 2010 by chance, following a request by my two friends Josette André and Bertrand Richert. Bertrand was at that time in charge of the EADV Fostering Committee. I cannot stop thanking these friends for this opportunity, as it is only by organising a course that one really understands the significance

and enrichment of teaching 20 students coming from different countries with the sole desire to learn from you!

Dr Ahmed Sadek (AS): Since I first attended an EADV annual meeting back in 2012 and becoming a member in 2013, I have felt very attached to this very successful organisation that helps lots of dermatologists to exchange experiences and provides a network of diverse expertise. After spending some time among this community, I was really touched by the big efforts exerted to help those in areas of needs or with economic difficulties and I wanted to be part of the people who share their knowledge and experience through EADV School.

What are the benefits of organising an EADV School course?

PP: I think it is a win-win situation: for the participants, for the professors, the course chair and for the hosting institutions. For participants, they spend two days with experts in a field of their interest, getting an immersion course from more experienced dermatologists who have know-how that takes years to master and which they can go back and apply in their everyday practice. For professors, teaching students from such a wide range of backgrounds and countries is a fascinating challenge as we are confronted with diverse levels of training and experience. As these are courses taken on a volunteer basis, teaching is usually more relaxed and friendly. As far as my experience as a course chair is concerned, I have found this year's task different: more laborious but still rewarding. We had both residents and specialists together and a different

Prof Bianca-Maria Piraccini ¹, Dr Ahmed Sadek ² and Dr Paola Pasquali and Prof Christos C Zouboulis with their course participants ³

location (Barcelona) which was easier to reach.

BMP: The joy of meeting young students full of enthusiasm and willing to learn.

AS: In a nutshell, I shall say that networking and exchanging experiences is the ultimate goal of our profession as it assists in improving patients' welfare. Organising an EADV course gives the best opportunity to achieve this by helping juniors to get cutting-edge training and allowing experts to interact with the new generation of dermatologists while promoting continuous and dynamic scientific development. The EADV School Committee helps make this happen at every stage, as you will witness when you get to organise such events. These benefits encompass the delegates, mentors and the establishment itself which gets more well known in the field of healthcare while not forgetting the doctors and patients as well.

What are the benefits for the hosting hospital/clinic?

PP: Institutions can say that they are holding a course run by a prestigious association like EADV.



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BMP: Some of the staff of the hospital and the resident students are involved in the course, and they have the opportunity to mix with foreign colleagues.

In your opinion, what is the value of providing platforms for interaction between younger and more experienced dermatologists?

PP: First, not all speakers are college professors, yet they have enormous experience and willingness to transmit their knowledge. This platform gives a unique opportunity to learn from those with experience who are not necessarily part of academia. Secondly, participants get to know and learn first-hand from experts from other countries who would otherwise be difficult to access. Thirdly, practical know-how is not readily available in books and journals. It is transmitted in an effective manner by direct contact with an experienced person. This is particularly true for cryosurgery, as most residencies do not include cryosurgery as part of their formal training programme,

leaving students in need of courses like these to learn a technique that will help them solve many daily situations in a correct and effective manner. I love to think that those that have taken my courses have been able to apply some of the information they got from us and, in the future, transmit it to younger colleagues.

BMP: Transferring knowledge and transmitting the enthusiasm that an experienced dermatologist possesses.

AS: Creating platforms of continuous communication between all the healthcare system stakeholders allows up-to-date and dynamic interaction between them all, keeping in mind and maintaining the high standards of human interaction, development and progress for the welfare of the humanity.

If you are interested in organising a course with EADV School, please visit our website at www.eadv.org/eadv-school ●



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

Notice is hereby given that the 2018 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of EADV will be held on Friday, 14 September 2018

Palais des Congrès de Paris – Room 352AB, Level 3, Paris, France
At 12:00 hours (CEST).
(Registration will open at 11:30 hours)

AGENDA

1. Call to order and welcome by the President
2. Presentation of the Reports (for information only):
 - i. President
 - ii. Secretary General
 - iii. Treasurer
3. Election of the President-Elect
4. Date and time of next meeting

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