

CIDESCO THE WORLD STANDARD FOR BEAUTY & SPA THERAPY

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GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD



Dear Colleagues,

When you read this, you will still have fond memories looking back at a wonderful congress held in Mumbai, India. You will also have seen some lovely pictures to remind you in the latest CIDESCO International LINK magazine which was just been published.

The CIDESCO Board Members convened on the 13th September at the Taj Hotel in India to finalise congress details. Congress started on 14th September with the Examiners' Workshop, hosted by Vicky Harper, CIDESCO International Board Member for Education. This workshop was by invitation only to our Examiners where we discussed amendments to our examination criteria. For the greater part of the day, Godard Koremans from The Netherlands presented examination methodology for Media Make-up. Our Examiners were exposed to how to examine day, night, black and white and fashion make-up.

On 15th September 2017, the CIDESCO Schools' Meeting was hosted by Pamela Adkins, CIDESCO International Board Member for Education, by invitation only. Many of our new schools attended, in particular from India. Much interest was shown in all topics of discussion, e.g. how to arrange PG exams including the Media make-up course.

We had excellent exposure to true India at the cultural evening held at a location in the city. It was filled with music and traditional Bollywood dance. We met a fortune



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teller who had bracelets created with our own special colours, henna tattoos and we ate truly delicious food. It was a special evening, culminating in a drive through Mumbai where we observed the nightlife of a special festive weekend.

The General Assembly held on 16th September was a first for the new Board Members, which was quite exciting. Decisions were made at the meeting which affect all CIDESCO Members, Schools, Salons, Spas and Sections. Do enquire further from your Section representatives.

Our annual Gala dinner was held in a ballroom of the Taj hotel which was a fun evening. We presented awards to the Awards recipients of 2017 and to Gerard Gordon in thanks for his 10 year dedication to CIDESCO International as General Manager. During the evening, one person per table was asked to sing a song. We heard so many varieties, such as Indian Iullabies, a Japanese Sukiyake song, Irish songs, creating a cultural mix, truly indicative of CIDESCO and its ethos. An enjoyable evening was had by all.





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17th September 2017 brought about the opening ceremony by CIDESCO Section India and CIDESCO International President Anna-Cari Gund. This took place in an exhibition centre which had different flair to it, using colour and a candle-lighting ceremony. After the opening everyone could visit the Professional Beauty Exhibition or attend interesting lectures. There were two halls, one with Indian speakers and in the other. English speakers. So you could make your choice

the other, English speakers. So you could make your choice very easily. During lunch break, a large buffet was served.

The final day of congress brought our annual Make-up competition. This year, the theme was "Five Elements of Nature". We had 3 students and 7 professional candidates entered. The 6 judges were Joma de Roos, Godard Koremans, Julie Lew, Beverley Crowther, Julia Leone and Jyotsna Thopte. It took 5 hours to create incredible body paintings with excellent make-up techniques and products. During the closing ceremony of the congress, each model showcased their painting to music.

We look back at a beautiful congress and thank CIDESCO Section India for the amazing organisation this year. The committees put in a huge effort and created an easy and professional environment.



We look forward to welcoming you to the next congress, to be held from 6 - 9th September in Stockholm, Sweden.

We would like to wish all of our CIDESCO members around the world a wonderful and festive year-end with 2018 bringing only good blessings to you all.

Best wishes

With warm greetings,

Karin Lupgens, CIDESCO Vice-President