

May 6, 2020

## v-WIN foundation COVID outbreak STATEMENT



Dear all,

We hope that you are all safe and properly contained against COVID outbreak.

On behalf of the **venous-lymphatic World International Network (v-WIN) foundation**, we would like to inform all the colleagues and friends that, as reported in our March 23 - 2020 statement, our board has taken the following decisions regarding postponement of v-WIN related activities.



- **v-HELP mission** (v-WIN Humanitarian Education in Lympho-Phlebology) during the **Guatemala, Central America, Caribbean Vascular Surgery meeting** (Guatemala, original date August 6-8, 2020) Considering also the clinical activities related to the educational initiative, the event will be rescheduled **not earlier than May 2021**.

([www.vwinfoundation.com/v-help/](http://www.vwinfoundation.com/v-help/))

- **9<sup>th</sup> international interuniversity meeting** (Buenos Aires, original date September 23-25, 2020) ([www.congresoflebologiayestetica.com/](http://www.congresoflebologiayestetica.com/))

**NEW DATE: April 7-10, 2021**

- **v-WINter DUBAI 2021 - 10<sup>th</sup> international interuniversity meeting**

(Dubai, original date January 27-29, 2021)

([www.vwinfoundation.com/vwinter-dubai-2021/](http://www.vwinfoundation.com/vwinter-dubai-2021/)).



Considering the 6 months of the EXPO DUBAI have been moved to October 2021- March 2022 and considering the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity of a venous-lymphatic global meeting in conjunction with such a unique event like the EXPO, the v-WINter DUBAI meeting has been moved to

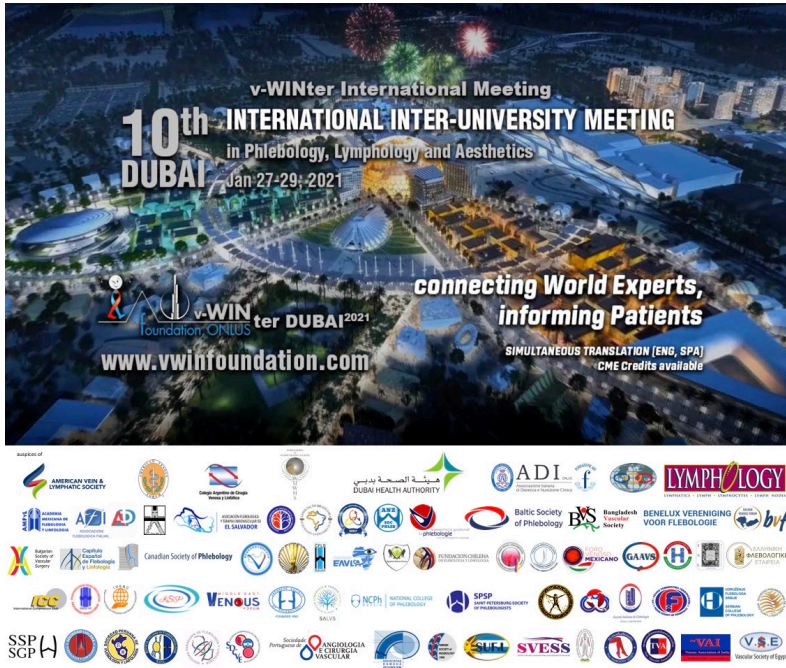
**JANUARY 2022** (week of health, dates to be defined soon by the EXPO organization)

Meanwhile, we are delighted to inform you that **69 scientific societies** and more than **170 top experts** from

all around the world are actively working on the **multi-lingual Consensus Document** dedicated to **evidence-based fake-news-free venous-lymphatic patient information**.

The document will be presented on April 7, 2021 during the **World Health Day**.

You can find the project details here: [www.vwinfoundation.com/fake-news-free-project/](http://www.vwinfoundation.com/fake-news-free-project/).



**Everyone** can report eventually encountered venous-lymphatic fake information, in every language and even anonymously. v-WIN scientific committee will evaluate the reported issue and provide an official statement.

Together with the moral and educational benefit this Consensus document will bring to patients and health professionals, it's our pleasure to see this initiative is keeping venous-lymphatic experts from all around the world **in contact**, even if in remote-working, during these challenging COVID days.

Last but not least, we would like to invite you to be part of the

**v-WIN PHLEBOnline course “Food for Veins – Veins for Food”**  
([www.vwinfoundation.com/v-learning](http://www.vwinfoundation.com/v-learning)).

The initiative includes an educational platform with **video lessons** from the biggest key opinion leaders and related **webinars** involving top experts from the most important international scientific societies. The proceeding will be totally dedicated to **support food projects**, following the recent Lancet report of the “**redefinition of vulnerability**” in COVID time ([LANCET](https://www.thelancet.com)).

We remain at your full disposal, together with all the v-WIN foundation team, wishing you a prompt containment aimed also to minimize the time we have to wait for being socially and scientifically together again.




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