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Report on the annual meeting of the ESHDV in Lisbon, October 20th

Nineteen participants of the meeting of the ESHDV (history day) met at 9.00 am at the entrance of the Capuchos Hospital Lisbon. Dr. Carlos Branco, physician, medical historian and curator, led the group to the moulage collection in the antique impressive conference room. Together with the anthropologist Cristiana Bastos, senior associate researcher at the Social Sciences Institute of the University of Lisbon, who had published a book about the history of venereal diseases, Dr. Branco guided us through the collection and gave us an overview on the history of medicine in Lisbon.

Refreshed with pasteis organized from the famous Pasteis de Bélem, the group changed location and met again at 11.00 a.m. at the Museu dos coches. On a guided tour, the dermatologists and guests heard fascinating facts about the construction and use of historic coaches as status symbol as well as for transportation.

By taxi the group changed the location again and met in the congress venue. The Alibert lecture 2011 was held by Prof. Jean-François Stalder from Nantes with the title "Clinical assessment in Dermatology: evolution and progresses." It was impressive to hear about the development of SCORAD and self-assessment SCORAD on atopic dermatitis from the inventor itself.

At 01.00 p.m. the general assembly took place. The president Dr. Penny Emanouil informed about the last years events. The Society holds 48 members. Dr. Daniel Wallach emphasised on the need for the future to gain more members. Dr. Michael Geiges added that it would be important to have also scientific research done in the history of dermatology and to bring different professionals together (dermatologists, historians, conservators).

After a short walk to the Restaurant Café In at the river of Tejo the group could enjoy lunch with different sea food, fish with perfect weather.

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