## 19th Congress of the European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology is coming up!

Dear friends and colleagues,

The 19th Congress of the European Academy and Venereology (EADV) will be held in Gothenburg, Sweden, from 6 to 10 October, 2010. This is the first time the EADV is hosted in Sweden and the Local Organising Committee is very proud to organise the event. The Gothenburg 2010 EADV Congress will be organised by The Swedish Society of Dermatology and Venereology. Dermatology and venereology has a more than 100 year old tradition in Sweden. Despite Sweden's comparatively few inhabitants, Swedish clinical research is of an especially high class. Recently, an investigation revealed that dermatology and venereology are among the specialties in Sweden that are growing in competitiveness.

Gothenburg is the second largest city in Sweden. It is the largest port in Scandinavia and hosts a number of well known industries such as Volvo, SKF, AstraZeneca etc. Gothenburg and its surroundings attract more and more interest from visitors. Also, the cultural sector is prominent with, for instance, a newly-built opera house at the waterfront and a well-known art museum.

The meeting venue of The 19th EADV Congress will be The Swedish Exhibition and Congress Centre. This is very centrally

located right in the middle of the city with lots of hotels within walking distance. Every second year, it attracts the annual meeting of The Swedish Society of Medicine with far more than 10 000 delegates.

We have tried to put together a programme that will present the most recent developments in clinical as well as experimental dermatology and venereology. The programme will consist of plenary lectures, symposia, workshops, courses on very hot topics for both office and hospital based dermatologists and venereologists. Also, "What's new" lectures and satellite symposia will provide up to date knowledge. This is a very good way of keeping up to date in a dermatological world that is virtually exploding in terms of new knowledge.

Moreover, specialised dermatological sub specialty societies will be supported by the EADV.

We hope to see you in Gothenburg in October 2010. We will make every effort to create a high class meeting, both practice-as well as scientifically-orientated.

Professor Olle Larkö Congress President