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Annual Meeting of the  
European Venous Forum

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27-29 June 2019

University of Zurich



Exhibitor Information

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## Welcome address to the 20th European Venous Forum Congress

by Dominik Heim

“Welcome back, my friends, to the show that never ends”, is a live album by Emerson, Lake and Palmer, the revolutionary progressive rock-band ELP, in 1974. But Keith Emerson disappeared and Greg Laker died, both in 2016 and the only remaining member of that famous and truly progressive rock group is Carl Palmer. Their “Pictures of an Exhibition”, a rock adaptation of the composition of Mussorgsky, was a milestone in rock music. A milestone in the medical sense was also the foundation of the European Venous forum 20 years ago in French Lyon. But in contrast to ELP, the European Venous Forum is still alive, and celebrating its 20th birthday in 2019 and hopefully “Staying Alive” (Bee Gees 1977). Of course, many things have changed, and many things have been achieved since -I recall the EVF How and the HOW Plus courses in the last years – but the original mission to develop education, scientific knowledge, research and clinical expertise of the highest quality and establish standards in the field of venous disease, remains unchallenged.

The EVF congresses are not a show in a strict sense or in the sense of ELP. But still, its touring around in Europe offers each country, where the congress resides for a few days, the possibility to combine a distinguished local faculty with the invited European (and overseas) speakers. Furthermore, the industry sessions allow the presentation of the latest news in a specific field, presented by a respected, invited faculty. But, apart from these sessions, a very important accent is on the numerous oral and electronic abstract sessions, which stimulates real debates with the presenters, who have to defend their results and their conclusions. Thus, EVF congresses are a very interesting mixture of different animated sessions and offers a wide variety of topics, which are this year: the various treatments of varicose veins, the rationale for ulcer treatment, compression and its new devices, lymphatic disorders and the problem of deep vein thrombosis and the post-thrombotic syndrome.

An attractive congress asks for an attractive city: Zürich is called the city of water, enjoy its waters in its different dimensions from a pleasant cosy lake to the surrounding rivers and all its fountains. Enjoy the culture of Zürich with its theatres, movie world and musical events. Enjoy this beautiful city that combines new and old culture with the scientific and commercial world of today.

Welcome to the 20th congress of EVF, welcome to Zürich and Happy birthday: “We’re gonna have a good time, I’m glad it’s your birthday, happy birthday to you” (*John Lennon/ Paul McCartney the ‘White album’ 1968*)

7th October 2018



20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the European Venous Forum | 27-29 June 2019 University of Zurich, Switzerland

## Zurich University

The University of Zurich, located in the city of Zürich, is the largest university in Switzerland, with over 25,000 students. It was founded in 1833 from the existing colleges of theology, law, medicine and a new faculty of philosophy see Website: <https://www.uzh.ch/de.html>

### Address

Rämistrasse 71  
8006 Zürich  
Switzerland

### Excellent Transport/Infrastructure:

Train from Zurich airport to Zurich Hauptbahnhof (10-15 minutes)  
Taxi to Zurich (approx. 10-15 minutes)  
Travel cards available (**can be pre-purchased from Zurich Tourism**)

Venue within walking distance of hotels.  
Tram stops nearby (Tram stop 5 and 6)  
As well as the Polybahn

### Meeting Dates

Set up Wednesday 26 June 2019  
Scientific Programme Day 1 Thursday 27 June 2019  
Scientific Programme Day 2 Friday 28 June 2019  
Scientific Programme Day 3 Saturday 29 June 2019

**CME Credits:** The EVF has applied to the EACCME for CME credits.  
**Official Language:** The official language of the Congress is English.

### Congress Dinner

Friday 29 June 2018: 20.00 | **Congress Dinner price is 100 euros per Person**

**The congress dinner will be held in The Volkshaus, Zurich.**

### Congress Information

Administrative contact for the EVF:

### Exhibition Coordinator

European Venous Forum  
**Dawn Bond:** [exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org](mailto:exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org)  
Mobile: +44 7815075664 | Skype: dgmbond61

### Congress Secretariat

European Venous Forum  
**Anne Taft:** [admin@europeanvenousforum.org](mailto:admin@europeanvenousforum.org)  
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## Exhibition Stands and Sponsorship

The commercial exhibition will accompany the congress and covers two areas in the Lichthof upper level (Lower ground floor) and the Foyer West (lower ground level) directly in front of the Meeting Room (basement area) see attached layout page 13.

**Registration area** will be situated at the Main Entrance on level 1 Ground Floor

**Exhibition Area 1** will be located in the Lichthof on the lower ground floor see plan on page 13.

**Exhibition Area 2** will be located in the Foyer West on the lower ground floor adjacent to the **Meeting Room** (Basement Area) where all presentations will take place, see plan on page 13.

All delegates will need to visit both exhibition areas for refreshments and lunches.

The charge is for floor space, an electricity point, one table and 2 chairs only.

Additional equipment is available. Further information and order forms will be available soon.

**Each 1 x m2 = 750 euros (regarding bespoke stands).**

- **2x2m<sup>2</sup> Stand** (inclusive of two complimentary exhibitor badges) €3,000 Plus VAT at 7.7%  
Price includes area, electricity point, table and 2 chairs.
- **2x6m<sup>2</sup> Stand** (inclusive of four complimentary exhibitor badges) €8,000 Plus VAT at 7.7%  
Price includes area, electricity point, table and 2 chairs.

Exhibitor badges enable: access to the exhibition, Welcome Reception, refreshments and lunch.

**Extra Exhibitor badges will be available at €300 including VAT at 7.7%. Please note Exhibitor badges allow exhibition area access ONLY.**

**Stands will be allocated by The EVF this year; due to slightly restricted spacing and fire Police laws.**

To reserve exhibition space, please complete the Exhibitor Booking form. Please note that the EVF reserves the right to alter the floor plan without prior notice

**Golden Sponsor** € 15,000 (plus VAT at 7.7% where applicable)

Companies may wish to sponsor the congress in the form of an unrestricted

Educational grant to the EVF. Sponsorship includes:

- Exhibition stand (2x6m<sup>2</sup>)
- Acknowledgement in conference web-site
- Acknowledgement on all conference publicity material
- 4 free delegate registrations for company staff

**Silver Sponsor** € 10,000 (plus VAT at 7.7% where applicable)

Companies may wish to sponsor the congress in the form of an unrestricted

Educational grant to the EVF. Sponsorship includes:

- Exhibition stand (2x3m<sup>2</sup>)
- Acknowledgement in conference web-site
- Acknowledgement on all conference publicity material
- 2 free delegate registrations for company staff





## Sponsorship/Exhibition Booking Form

Company: .....

Contact Name: .....

Address: .....

..... Country: .....

Full Invoice address:

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VAT Number: .....

**Please note that in Switzerland, exhibition fees are considered a Supply of Goods so Reverse Charge does not apply. All invoices for exhibition will be issued with the VAT element included.**

Telephone (including country and city town code): .....

Point of Contact Email: .....

We wish to support the 20<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the EVF in Zurich, Switzerland from June 27-29 June 2018,

- Exhibition
  - 2x2m<sup>2</sup> stand (includes two exhibition registrations) €3,000 (plus VAT 7.7%)
  - 2x6m<sup>2</sup> stand (includes four exhibition registrations). €8,000 (plus VAT 7.7%)

Stands will be allocated by EVF due to slightly restricted spacing this year.

Golden Sponsor €15,000 (plus VAT at 7.7% where applicable)

Silver Sponsor €10,000 (plus VAT at 7.7% where applicable)

Extra Exhibitor Badges (number .....) €300 (inclusive of VAT 7.7%)

Congress Dinner Tickets (number.....) €100 (inclusive of VAT 7.7%)

*Photographs will be taken throughout the Congress and Exhibition Areas for security purposes and also for use on our website and social media platforms for the EVF. Please inform the Exhibition Manager if you or your company do not wish to be included in any photographs?*

Signature: ..... Date: .....

Please return this form, when completed to: Dawn Bond: [exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org](mailto:exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org)



## Exhibition Schedule

### Exhibition Overview

The commercial exhibition will accompany the congress and covers two areas in the Lichthof lower level Floor and the Foyer West lower level floor; directly in front of the Meeting Room see attached layout page 13.

**The Registration area** will be situated at the Main Entrance on the Ground Floor

**Exhibition Area 1** will be located in the Lichthof on the lower ground floor see plan on page 13.

**Exhibition Area 2** will be located in the Foyer West on the Lower Ground Floor adjacent to the **Meeting Room** where all presentations will take place, see plan on page 13.

- *The Welcome Reception on the evening of **Thursday 27 June, 2019** immediately after the last session, will also be held in the both of the Exhibition Areas.*

### Exhibition Opening Times

The opening hours for the exhibition will be:

- **Thursday 27 June 2019:** 08.00-18:20, followed by the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception in Exhibition Areas
- **Friday 28 June 2019:** 08.00-19.10
- **Saturday 29 June 2019:** 08.30-13.15

### Exhibition Stand Set-up Times

- **Wednesday 26 June 2019:** from 10:00

*Stand setup will take place from 10:00 on Wednesday 26 June 2019 until 18.00 (please inform Dawn Bond if any queries). All stands should be completed and ready by 07:30 Thursday 27 June 2019.*

### Exhibition Stand Breakdown Times

- **Saturday 29 June 2019:** from 13.15

### Stands:

The Exhibition space flooring is **marble tiling** throughout both Exhibition Halls

2x2m stands are allocated 1 table, 2 chairs, electricity point (one phase power 16 Amps 4KW) and 2 Exhibitor badges

2x6m stands are allocated 2 tables, 4 chairs, electricity point (one phase power 16 Amps 4KW) and 4 Exhibitor badges

Height maximum for each stand area is **3m**

## Exhibition Stands

- The EVF and Venue reserve the right to move or remove any stands or equipment blocking exits, lanes, fire hydrants or obstructing areas in which staff are to operate.
- No signs are to be fixed to the walls or flooring by any means.
- **All Exhibition Stands that are built on site require a B1 Certificate for presentation at the University prior to set up; regarding the fireproofing of the stand materials from your Company/Stand Builders.**
- **Electrical appliances, especially “integral” are NOT allowed on any stands throughout the Exhibition Area.**
- **No table cloths are supplied so please bring your Company Table cloths**
- **See plan on page 13.**

## Insurance

The venue will take every precaution to protect all property at the conference. Security staff are in attendance but cannot guarantee the safety of any equipment. The conference organisers, the venue and the European Venous Forum cannot be held responsible for the security of exhibits before or during the Conference. We recommend you obtain insurance on all your equipment.

- *Exhibitors are required to take out and maintain public liability insurance cover providing a minimum indemnity of £2,000,000 for the duration of the Exhibition including the construction and dismantling periods and insure against costs and expenses in the event that the meeting is cancelled outside the control of the venue or organisers*
- ***It is a requirement that you send a copy of an insurance cover note to the EVF Office (Dawn Bond: [exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org](mailto:exhibition@europeanvenousforum.org)). If you do not have a policy, we recommend that you contact a specialist exhibition insurance company***

## Stand Cleaning

*The venue is responsible for the cleaning of the aisles and public areas. Exhibitors are responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of their own stands*





## General /Accommodation Information

Zurich lies in the temperate **climate** zone and has four distinct seasons. In winter, temperatures occasionally drop below zero, while hot summer days can record **temperatures** of over 30° C (86° F).

<https://www.zuerich.com/en/visit/weather-in-zurich>

For Information for transfers from Zurich airport to Zurich City please visit:

<https://www.zuerich.com/en/visit/zurich-airport-to-zurich-city-center>

For further information about Zurich please visit:

<https://www.zuerich.com/en/visit/european-venous-forum-kongress-2019>

### Accommodation

**Excellent rates** have been negotiated with local hotels in Zurich.

Rates are subject to availability. Please check all terms and conditions when make your booking.

All bookings are made via Zurich Tourism – please check below for further details.

- [English](#)
- [German](#)

You can also book accommodation by contacting Zürich Tourism direct (by postal mail, phone or email):

- Zürich Tourism
- Tourist Information
- Im Hauptbahnhof
- CH-8001 Zürich
- Phone: 0041 44 215 40 00
- E-Mail: [info@zuerich.com](mailto:info@zuerich.com)

Please remember to quote “European Venous Forum Kongress 2019” group when making your booking in order to get the special conference rates.

## PROVISIONAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 27 JUNE 2019

08.00-08.30	<b>Video Session</b> Chair: Andrew Nicolaides, Dominik Heim
08.30-10.30	<b>Abstract Session 1:</b> (10 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
10.30-11.00	Refreshments and visit to Exhibition Visit Poster Presentations
11.00-12.00	<b>Didactic Session 1: Superficial Veins. That's why I prefer</b>
11.00	Foam. Philippe Kern (CH)
11.08	Surgery. Jürg Traber (CH)
11.16	Thermal Ablation. Lowell Kabnik (USA)
11.24	Non-Thermal Ablation. Heiko Uthoff (CH)
11.32- 11.45	Open Debate with Audience
11.45 – 12.00	Signs and Symptoms due to Systemic disorders that can mimic Chronic Venous Disease Daciana Branisteanu (Romania)
12.00-13.20	<b>Abstract Session 2:</b> (10 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
13.20-14.20	Lunch and visit to Exhibition <b>ePoster Presentations</b>
13.45-14.15	<b>Meet the Experts Session 1: The "Open Leg".</b>
13.45	Careful: This is not a venous ulcer! Jürg Hafner (CH)
14.00	How ESCHAR and EVRA can be interpreted in current clinical practice in patient selection for treatment. Alun Davies (UK)
14.20-15.20	<b>Industry Session 1</b>
15.20-16.40	<b>Abstract Session 3:</b> (10 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
16.40-17.00	Refreshments and visit to Exhibition Visit e-Poster Presentations
17.00-18.20	<b>Abstract Session 4:</b> (10 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
18.20	Opening Ceremony
19.00-20.00	Welcome Reception. Exhibition Area

FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2019

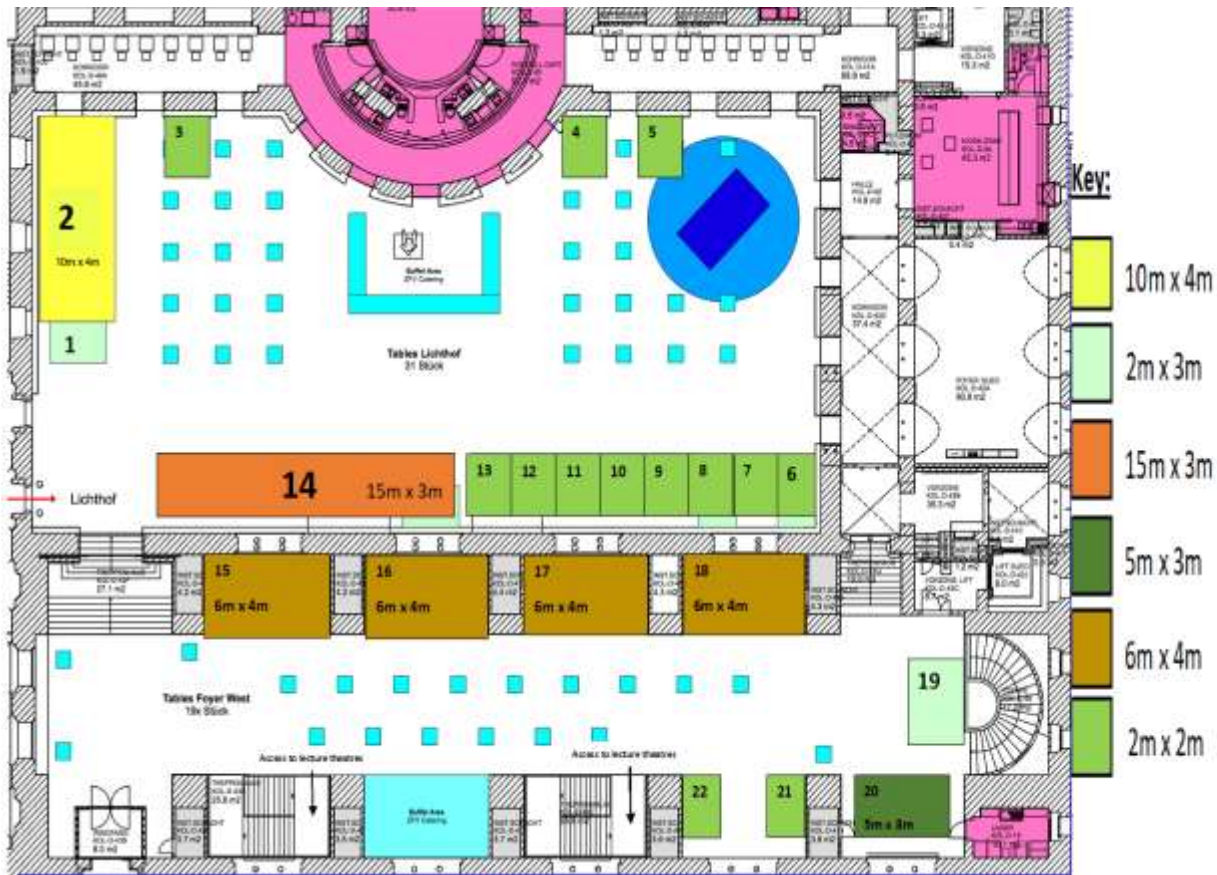
08.00-08.30	<b>Varicose Veins. Presentation of patients. What would you do?</b>
08.30-10.30	<b>Abstract Session 5:</b> (10 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
10.30-11.00	Refreshments and visit to Exhibition Visit e- Poster Presentations
11.00-12.00	<b>Industry Session 2</b>
12.00-12.30	<b>EVF Invited Lecture: Why venous ulcers have difficulties to heal: A pathophysiological review. Joseph D Raffetto (USA)</b>
12.30-13.30	<b>Didactic Session 2: Lymphatics.</b> (10 minute presentation, 5 minute discussion)
12.30-12.45	That is why it is a lymphoedema/diagnostic modalities, including genetic aspects. TBC
12.45-13.00	Research: Here we are at the moment. Jean Paul Belgrado (Belgium)
13.00-13.15	Treatment by conservative means. Daniela Reutter (CH)
13.15-13.30	If all fails, surgery? Nicole Lindenblatt (CH)
13.30-14.30	Lunch and visit to Exhibition <b>ePoster Presentations</b>
14.00-14.30	<b>Meet the Experts Session 2: How to deal with problems in the treatment of Varicose Veins?</b>
14.00-14.15	SFJ incompetence and reflux into the AASV. Marianne De Maeseneer (Belgium)
14.15-14.30	Is redo high ligation dead? Olle Nelzen (Sweden)
14.30-15.00	EVF Annual General Meeting (Members Only)
15.00-16.40	<b>Prize winning papers from the American Venous Forum, American College of Phlebology and the Japanese Society of Phlebology</b> (10 minute presentation, 5 minute discussion)
	2 Presentations from American Venous Forum (AVF)
	Presentation from American College of Phlebology (ACP)
	2 Presentations from Japanese Society of Phlebology (JSP)
16.40-17.10	Refreshments and visit to Exhibition Visit to e-Poster Presentations

17.10-19.10	<b>Didactic Session 3: Venous Thromboembolism</b> (14 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)
17.10-17.34	Why ATTRACT is not the end of iliofemoral thrombolysis. Stephen Black (UK)
17.34-17.58	Is QOL score important after thrombus removal, or is patency and Villalta score enough? TBC
17.58-18.22	Postthrombotic syndrome. Long-term follow up. The Basel series. Christina Jeanneret (CH)
18.22-18.46	The challenge of diagnosing pulmonary embolism. Marc Righini (CH)
18.46-19.10	Everything you always wanted to know about DOAC/NOAC. Michael Nagler (CH)
20.00	Congress Dinner

### SATURDAY 29 JUNE 2019

08.30-09.30	<b>Didactic Session 4: Compression.</b> (10 minute presentation, 5 minute discussion)
08.30-08.45	Velcro. A real revolution in compression therapy? Giovanni Mosti (Italy)
08.45-09.00	Intermittent pneumatic compression: Just nice to have? Eberhard Rabe (Germany)
09.00-09.15	Towards a patient-friendly compression therapy. Jürg Hafner (CH)
09.15-09.30	Elastic compression therapy for prevention of post-thrombotic syndrome : How long is long enough? TBC
09.30-10.30	<b>Industry Session 3:</b>
10.30-11.00	Refreshments and visit to Exhibition Visit Poster Presentation
11.00-12.00	<b>Abstract Session 6:</b> (10 minute presentation, 5 minute discussion)
12.00 -13.00	<b>Joint session: European Venous Forum and American Venous Forum</b> <b>Where do we go from here- a glimpse into the future?</b> (12 minute presentation, 3 minute discussion) Why this session? Dominik Heim, Switzerland
12.00-12.15	The rationale of compression Werner Blättler (CH) (EVF/ SGP)
12.15-12.30	The link between morphology and iliac veins and outcomes: Does shape matter? (AVF)
12.30-12.45	Recurrence after endovenous treatment. Treatment options. Lars Rasmussen (Denmark) (EVF)
12.45-13.00	Vein Center accreditation: is it important for office practice? (AVF)
13.00 – 13.15	Closing Remarks                      Presentation of EVF 2020

### Exhibition Area Provisional Plan





## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Exhibitors agree to accept and adhere to the policies, rules and regulations (Conditions) outlined in the Exhibitor Manual, on the website, stated by the venue, and any subsequent publication. These conditions are valid throughout the conference. The exhibitor will be liable for any damage resulting from the failure to comply with the Conditions.

- *Exhibitors undertake that their stand will be ready by 7.30 on Thursday 27 June 2019.*
- *Exhibitors must not dismantle their stand before Saturday 29 June 2019 at 13.15. All stands equipment should be fully labelled, the required forms to be completed and ready for collection.*
- *Exhibitors are not allowed to fix anything, or cause any damage to the floors, walls, ceiling or other parts of the building (e.g. by using nails, screws).*
- *Badges: All personnel must be registered. All Exhibition staff must wear the badges provided by the meeting organisers at all times.*
- *All Exhibition Stands that are built require a B1 Certificate for presentation at the University prior to set up; regarding the fireproofing of the stand materials.*

**UEMS-EACCME/MedTech Europe:** All sponsors are to comply with the UEMS-EACCME and MedTech Europe codes and regulations on the support of medical meetings.

### Photographs:

Photos will be taken throughout the Congress and Exhibition Areas for security purposes and also for use on our website and social media platforms for the EVF.

Please inform the Exhibition Manager if you or your company do not wish to be included in any photographs?

**Customs Duty:** Companies are to ensure that any customs duty or tax due is paid by their company. The venue or organisers will not sign for any delivery where there is a liability for such duty/tax.

**Security:** The venue and organisers will take every precaution to protect all property at the conference. Security staff are in attendance but cannot guarantee the safety of any equipment. All companies are advised to be careful with any items of equipment and to obtain insurance on the equipment. The conference organisers, the venue and the European Venous Forum cannot be held responsible for theft, loss or damage of equipment before, during or after the Conference.

**Fire Protection:** Exits, passages, corridors, emergency exits, staircases, etc. within the Exhibition areas must not be blocked under any circumstances. Fire hydrants and Fire-extinguishers must be visible and easily accessible.

Materials used must be flame-proof and fire resistant. Companies are forbidden to store flammable materials in or behind the workstations.

All areas may be inspected by representatives of the venue, organisers and local fire authorities. Any Exhibition stand found not to be fire-proof must be dismantled upon request. Exhibitors are responsible for all claims, actions or costs for personal injury and loss of or damage to property.

*Exhibitors will take out and maintain public liability insurance cover providing a minimum indemnity of £2,000,000 for the duration of the Exhibition, including the construction and dismantling periods and insure against costs and expenses in the event that the meeting is cancelled and outside the control of the venue or organisers.*