

## New IACLE Web Lecture on fitting soft torics for high astigmatism



In July, the IACLE LA office offered another Web Lecture. This time, **Dr Lina María Gónzales** from Colombia spoke on the topic 'Fitting toric soft contact lenses for high astigmatism'. More than 45 students from [UMET](#) (Ecuador), and [ISTEM San Fernando](#) and [IESTPOO](#) from Perú took part in this academic activity.

**Alejandro Lalama**, UMET's Optometry Program Director, said: 'Thanks to Guillermo Carrillo and Lina Gonzales for this nice experience on toric soft contact lens. We would like to be part of these IACLE activities more often.'

Click [here](#) to see the video of the Web Lecture on IACLE's YouTube channel, TheIACLE.



## 1st International Congress on Optics and Optometry, La Paz, Bolivia



The [Bolivian Association of Optometry](#) held its first optometry event, from 21-23 July in La Paz. Optometrists and ophthalmologists from Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, USA, Uruguay and Perú offered academic topics and the program included 10 hours of workshops.

Pictured (right) are **Roberto Marzano** from CooperVision and **Professor Andrea**



**Monteleone** delivering a Soft Multifocal Contact Lens Workshop.

Also pictured (below) is the working group that participated in a roundtable discussion on optometry developments in Bolivia. Taking part were members from technical institutions, a [FEDOPTO](#) (Colombia) representative, the Latin American Association of Optometry and Optics (ALDOO) President, NGO representative [Ojos del Mundo](#), members of National Ophthalmology Institute and members of National University.



In summary, the working group concluded to have basis on Colombian Optometry developments to include Optometry in national university and have regulation and laws for optometry career. IACLE LA Office offered to support through their members future training for students and professionals.

## Members deliver an IACLE Contact Lens Seminar in Colombia...



In a few days, IACLE Latin America will have its most important participation yet within [FEDOPTO National Congress \(12-14 August\)](#). The IACLE Contact Lens Seminar will offer more than eight hours of lectures from IACLE members from USA, Colombia, Venezuela, Spain and Perú.

See the program [here](#).

## ...and lecture at a new event in Argentina



At the same time, IACLE members from Argentina, México, Chile and Perú will take part in a new academic event in Argentina, OCULAR 2016. 'New strategies on management of dry eye' will be the topic for Gonzalo Carracedo (Spain) and Guillermo Carrillo (Perú) and an online conference offered by the IACLE Regional Office.

The event runs in CABA, Buenos Aires from 12-14 August, with sponsorship from Alcon, CooperVision, Acuvue Contact Lenses and Waicon by B+L. Click [here](#) for the program and [here](#) for further information.