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CLOO 2022 – Deans and Directors of Optometry Schools Meeting



On 19-20 October, the 8th Deans and Directors of Optometry Schools Latin American meeting took place in Lima, Peru. President-Elect of the World Council of Optometry (WCO) **Sandra Block** spoke at the meeting, and institutions from Colombia, Argentina, Ecuador, Paraguay, Chile, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico and Bolivia were represented. The main topics included

future collaboration and standardization of curriculums. Dr Block said it was important to understand the different levels of education in Latin America and highlighted ALDOO's efforts to leverage this. ALDOO considers the [IACLE Contact Lens Course](#) to be a model to follow and promoted it to ALDOO members.

ALDOO 25th Conference



On 21-22 October, [Asociación Latinoamericana de Optometría y Óptica](#) (ALDOO) held its 25th conference. IACLE Americas Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo**, Lifetime FIACLE **Rolando Rojas** and IACLE member **Ana Paola Mercado** delivered a contact lens and ocular surface session. The event was successful, with an attendance of around 1,000 participants.

IACLE on the radio

Every week, Americas Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo** hosts a radio program called 'IACLE in the World', interviewing IACLE members from across the Latin America region on different contact lens topics, thanks to the sponsorship of www.franjavisualradio.com.

Throughout October, the Latin America region hosted Spanish-speaking webinars with an attendance of 174 IACLE members and 133 eye care practitioners. **Hector Paez** and **Jorge Vargas** discussed 'How to strengthen IACLE in Ibero-America', where members from Spain shared their thoughts and experiences. 'Love your eyes in contact lens practice' was the topic for World Sight Day, conducted by **Luisa Casas**, **Patricia Duran** and **Daniel Paniagua**. Finally, **Guillermo Carrillo** hosted Journal Club on face masks and contact lens practice.

[Catch up on all Spanish-speaking webinars via IACLETOP](#)

We appreciate our members' active support and participation and invite you to join us every Wednesday throughout 2022 to discuss contact lens-related topics.