



ANNUAL MEETING 2026

Benelux Society for Phlebology

Daily Practice in Phlebology



5 - 6 June 2026

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Antwerp, Belgium

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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the Annual Meeting of the Benelux Society for Phlebology, taking place at KAVA Congres Centrum in Antwerp, Belgium. This year's theme, "***Phlebology in Daily Practice***" underscores our commitment to advancing knowledge in phlebology.

We have developed a stimulating scientific programme featuring renowned experts who will share their insights and experience, insights, and latest developments in diagnosis and treatment. The interdisciplinary nature of the meeting further enriches the programme, bringing together dermatologists, vascular surgeons, phlebologists, and other healthcare professionals with a shared interest in venous and lymphatic disease.

The KAVA Congres Centrum offers an excellent setting for both learning and networking. Conveniently located in Antwerp and easily accessible for participants from both Belgium and the Netherlands, the venue combines professional facilities with a welcoming atmosphere for discussion and collaboration.

This meeting provides a valuable opportunity to exchange best practices, discover new perspectives, and strengthen professional connections within our Benelux community. We are confident that the programme will inspire engaging discussions and contribute to the continued advancement of phlebology in daily clinical practice.

We look forward to welcoming you to Antwerp for what promises to be a informative, interactive, and collaborative meeting.

Kind regards,

Michael Mooij

President of the Benelux Society for Phlebology

Friday 5 June

09.30 **Registration, coffee & tea**

09.55 **Welcome**
Michael Mooij (NL)

Session I: Endovenous treatment of varicose veins

Moderators: Michael Mooij (NL) & Marie-Josée Van Rijn (NL)

10.00 **One-year results of the REBORN trial (Flebogrif)**
Sharon Oud (NL)

10.20 **Title TBC**
Speaker tbc

10.40 **Real-world evaluation of an assisted pullback system in 1470 nm endovenous laser ablation: Results of a multicenter international survey**
Sarah Thomis (BE)

11.00 **Coffee break & visit of the exhibition**

Session II: Sclerotherapy

Moderators: Wendy Malskat (NL) & Celine Eggen (NL)

11.20 **Cosmetic sclerotherapy: Do's and don'ts**
Alastair Lewis (UK)

11.40 **Cryolaser and cryosclerotherapy**
Joana de Carvalho (PT)

12.00 **Embolisation of venous malformations**
Marjolein De Decker (BE)

12.20 **Lunch break & visit of the exhibition**

12.30 **Duplex Workshop Ultrasound in collaboration with BSVS**

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Session III: Venous disease and lifestyle

Moderators: Marjolein de Decker (BE)

13.30 **Interventions for venous disease**

Audrey Meulendijks (NL)

13.50 **PTS & Lifestyle**

Marie Josee van Rijn (NL)

14.10 **Obesity and venous insufficiency**

Mariette Boon (NL)

14.30 **Coffee break & visit of the exhibition**

Session IV: Phlebology training in Europe

Moderators: Michael Mooij (NL) & Fien Van den Eynde (BE)

15.00 **UEMS and Phlebology**

Marc Vuylsteke (BE)

15.20 **The Dutch Way**

Marald Wikkeling (NL)

15.40 **The Belgian Way**

Inge Fourneau (BE)

16.00 **The evolution of the world population: The ultimate boom-bust cycle**

Gerard Govers (BE)

18.00 **Congress drinks & dinner**

Saturday 6 June

Session V: Abstract sessions

Moderators: Jorinde van Laanen (NL) & Katelijne Vanslembroek (BE)

09.00 **Abstract Sessions**

10.20 **General Assembly BVF**

Emma Gertsen: UIP Buenos Aires 2025

10.50 **Coffee break & visit of the exhibition**

Session VI: Leg ulcer treatment

Moderators: Elke Wybaillie (BE) & Julie Van Wallegghem (BE)

11.10 **Cold Plasma: New treatment of leg ulcer?**

Mikaella Loizou (NL)

11.30 **Rare ulcers: What can we do?**

Merel Van De Loo (NL)

11.50 **AI in VLU: The Ulcer Assist app**

Vitor Ferreira (DK)

12.10 **Role of venotonic drugs**

Veerle Laeremans (BE)

12.30 **Award Ceremony Benelux Prize**

12.40 **Lunch break & visit of the exhibition**

13.00 **Adjourn**

General Information

Venue

KAVA Congres Centrum
Consciencestraat 41
2018 Antwerpen
België

Public Transport

You can reach the venue from Antwerp Central Station via tram or bus.

- Tram 2, 6 or 15: Stop at the Lange Leemstraat
- Bus 17 or 191: Stop at the Lange Leemstraat

Language

The language of the Annual Meeting is English.

Liability

By attending the Meeting and/or exhibition organised in conjunction with the Meeting, participants and exhibitors agree that neither the Organising Committee nor the Administrative Secretariat assume any liability. Participants and exhibitors are advised to organise their own insurances.

Accreditation

- A request for accreditation to the RIZIV/INAMI has been submitted.
- A request for accreditation to the NVvV has been submitted.

Belgian participants: Please bring your ID for digitally signing in during these 3 time blocks:

Friday 5 June

Between 09.30 and 12.20 hrs

Between 13.20 and 16.30 hrs

Saturday 21 June

Between 09.00 and 13.00 hrs

Dutch participants: Accreditation lists will be available at the venue to sign.

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance by email after the Meeting.

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