



COVID-19 update

December 2020

Dear BMLA Members,

Firstly, we hope this message finds you and your family well and healthy?

We then need to update you on the status of the BMLA Annual Conference & Courses for 2021 which was due to be held in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Despite the recent roll-out of vaccinations, there remains a level of uncertainty with the COVID-19 situation in the first half of next year and so the BMLA Executive Committee have taken the decision to go ahead with a virtual conference next year.

Whilst only a short time ago we felt optimistic that May 2021 was far enough away to confidently proceed with our plans, as it stands today [11th December 2020] we cannot guarantee the one thing that our attendees trust us above all else to deliver – namely a high-quality conference with maximum attendees.

So, the decision to go virtual really is a positive one. The **BMLA 2021 Virtual Conference in association with ELA** will happen on **6th – 7th May 2021** and nothing can stop it!

We are really excited about transitioning to a virtual, fully digital event next year, and are confident it will provide an exciting and fully interactive experience for delegates and sponsors alike.

Our programme will include many of our core offerings from the renowned BMLA Educational Courses, to the Great Debate and much more. We have invested in an amazing virtual conference platform making the on-line experience smooth, easy to navigate and of course highly informative.

Please keep a look out for more exciting updates on the website. We look forward to sharing the journey with you – online!

Once again, we thank all our members for the support that has been shown to us and we are here to support others in the industry as we all work through these difficult times.

The BMLA Executive Committee

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