

21st BDIZ EDI European Committee meeting

Implantology international

On the occasion of the 9th Expert Symposium of BDIZ EDI in Cologne in March this year, the European Committee of BDIZ EDI met at the Dorint Hotel. The partner organizations were well represented, and there were some invited guests from Croatia and Turkey.

Committee members at the 21st European Committee meeting, led by BDIZ EDI President *Christian Berger*, were *Dr Catherine Drysdale* and *Dr Peter Fairbairn* (ADI UK, London), *Professor Vitomir Konstantinovic* (Belgrade), *Dr Zoran Marjanovic* (USSI EDI, Novi Sad), *Dr Dusan Vasiljevic* (USSI EDI), *Dr Inês Pereira* (SPCO, Porto), *Dr Peter Ehrl* (Berlin), *Professor Andrzej Wojtowicz* (OSIS EDI President, Warsaw), *Witold Tomkiewicz* (Warsaw), *Professor Pavel Kobler* (Croatian Implantological Society, Zagreb) as well as *Dr Davorin Simunovic* and *Dr Drazen Novak* (Croatian Dental Chamber, Zagreb). Also present at the table: *Ralf Suckert* as outgoing editor-in-chief of the EDI Journal, *Yannis Roussis* (Omnipress, Athens), *Professor Hakan Özyuvaci* (Istanbul) and BDIZ EDI Secretary General *Dr Detlef Hildebrand*.

Christian Berger informed about the upcoming 8th European Symposium to be held jointly with Quintessence Publishing in Barcelona, 26–28 June 2014, and invited the Committee members to participate. On the agenda: aesthetic and restorative dentistry and oral implantology. He also drew attention to the 25th anniversary of BDIZ EDI and the anniversary symposium in Munich, 19–20 September 2014.

In the discussion following the presentation of the development of the European Curriculum Implantology by *Dr Peter Ehrl*, the Committee participants agreed to press on with the project. *Christian Berger* pointed out the ongoing Curricula in Greece and Poland, which have been very well received.

Anita Wuttke as online editor presented the relaunched English-language BDIZ EDI website. The partner organizations also have their own presentations at the www.bdizedi.org > English subsite. The virtual representation of the work of BDIZ EDI for speakers of English is intended to appeal to dentists as well as to patients. *Dr Detlef Hildebrand* spoke about the iCampus programme of BDIZ EDI, which is aimed at young professionals.

The reports from the partner countries made it clear that high-quality continuing education in oral

implantology is lacking in some of them. For example, there is mainly commercially oriented training in the UK. In Serbia, a constructive cooperation between the dental association and the government is emerging. Croatia announced the establishment of an implantological society in Zagreb. Croatia is the most recent member of the EU (since July 2013). In Poland, the 9th Symposium on Oral Surgery, co-organized by OSIS EDI, will be held this year. A cooperation between the OSIS EDI and the oral and maxillofacial surgeons in Poland has been announced. In Turkey there have been problems coordinating the Turkish Curriculum Implantology with the universities. In Greece, Omnipress is now the only dental publisher left after the withdrawal of Quintessence. From Portugal it has been reported that due to the economic situation, many dentists are leaving the country.

At the end of a highly constructive international exchange, *Ralf Suckert* took farewell of the members of the European Committee as publisher of the EDI Journal. He will be devoting his time to international challenges and cooperative efforts in journalism.

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The European Committee of BDIZ EDI met for the 21st time – this time in Cologne.

3rd USSI EDI International Congress in Novi Sad

Implants and politics

The 3rd International Congress of USSI EDI (Serbian Association of Dental Implantologists – EDI) and the 5th Congress of Dentists of Vojvodina organized by the Dental Section of the Society of Physicians of Vojvodina, of the Serbian Medical Society, was held in the main office building of NIS (Oil Industry of Serbia) in Novi Sad, Serbia. For the third time, politicians, representatives of the medical and dental faculties of Balkan universities and, of course, more than 1,100 participants followed the invitation.



Speakers and guests (from left): Professor Bernhard Giesenhagen, Dr Dusan Vasiljevic, Dr Zoran Marjanovic, Witold Tomkiewicz, Dr Piotr Wychowanski, Uli Hauschild, Professor Andrzej Wojtowicz, Professor Asen Dzolev, Dr Marinel Subu.

The congress, like the previous ones, was supported by the presence of BDIZ EDI President *Christian Berger* and held under the patronage of the Provincial Secretariat for Health, Social Policy and Demography of the Government of Vojvodina. This time, the congress was opened by the State Secretary of the Serbian Ministry of Health, *Dr Ferenc Vicko*. He announced the upcoming reform of the model of dental care in the EU countries.

Presentations were chaired by members of the European Committee of BDIZ EDI: *Dr Guido Schirolì* from Italy, State Secretary *Dr Ferenc Vicko* from Serbia and *Dr Zoran Marjanovic*, Vice President of USSI EDI. *Marjanovic* cited the implementation of the Curriculum of Implantology in general dentistry and the harmonization of legislation in implantology with EU standards as the two primary goals of USSI EDI at this point.

The scientific programme lasted four days, with 35 invited speakers, twelve oral presentations, 22 poster presentations and two industry workshops. Invited speakers from Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia (Republic of Srpska), Macedonia, Romania, Russia, Hungary, Ukraine, Belarus, Italy, Turkey, Poland and Germany held presentations, among them members of the European Committee of BDIZ EDI such as *Dr Guido Schirolì* (Genoa, Italy), *Professor Andrzej Wojtowicz* (Warsaw, Poland) and *Christian Berger* (Kempten, Germany).

The main programme started with *Dr Zoran Marjanovic's* lecture on infection control in dentistry. Next was *Dr Branislav Kardasevic* (Novi Sad), who presented the planning of prosthetic restorations. *Dr Budimir Mileusnic* and *Dr Drasko Karadinovic* (Belgrade) gave an overview of oral implantology in the

orthodontic practice. Bone management was the focus of *Professor Bernhard Giesenhagen* and *Dr Orcan Yüksel* (Germany), who presented their augmentation and bone-ring technique. Case reports of CGF applications to repair various bone defects of the alveolar bone were the topic of *Dr Marinel Subu* (Zrenjanin), and *Dr Nikola Petricevic* (Zagreb) updated the audience on aesthetic aspects of implant superstructures.

Professor Asja Celebic (Zagreb) introduced mini dental implants (MDI) for permanent use. *Dr Dusan Vasiljevic* (Friedeburg, President of USSI EDI) focused on the possibilities of modern oral implantology in private practice. *Professor Andrzej Wojtowicz* and *Dr Piotr Wychowanski* (Warsaw) shed light on advanced bone augmentation in dental implant therapy – from in-vitro and animal model studies to clinical application. *Uli Hauschild* (San Remo) spoke about higher precision with computer-guided implant placement. In conclusion, *Christian Berger* discussed the influence of implant positioning on long-term success and introduced the new Guideline of the European Consensus Conference of BDIZ EDI on Malpositioning of Dental Implants issued in Cologne in March.

Dr Zoran Marjanovic
Novi Sad ■



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