

18th Expert Symposium in Cologne in February 2023

## Update on short, angulated and reduced-diameter implants

The 18<sup>th</sup> Expert Symposium will be held in Cologne on Sunday, 19 February 2023. It will examine the state of the art for short, angulated and reduced-diameter implants. The BDIZ EDI last addressed this topic in 2016; now, new findings will be the focus of the one-day symposium.

At the same time, the 2016 Guideline will also be updated. On 6 February 2016, the European Consensus Conference (EuCC) under the auspices of BDIZ EDI concluded: "Provided the specific treatment param-

eters are observed, the use of short, angulated or reduced-diameter implants in sites with reduced bone volume can be a reliable treatment option, given the risks associated with the use of standard-di-

mension implants in combination with augmentation procedures. The implant surgeon and the restorative dentist must have appropriate training to choose the best possible therapy for each patient."

Do these statements still apply, or do they need to be fundamentally revised? What is the status of inserting short implants compared to augmentation procedures? In February in Cologne, this treatment option will be put to the test for the third time. In 2011, the focus was on its readiness for practical use; in 2016, the focus was on advantages and limitations. "In view of the rapid development in the field of short implants, we decided to address the topic again", said Professor Joachim E. Zöller, Scientific Director, in his foreword at the time. Do the short implants live up to their promise? What is the prognosis for restorations with short and an-



The European Consensus Conference Guideline from 2016.

gulated implants? Can we offer patients simple restorations without augmentation and still promise long-term success?

The symposium is traditionally held at the Dorint Hotel on Heumarkt on the last weekend of the Carnival season. BDIZ EDI members enjoy reduced registration fees. To view the previous Guidelines on the subject, visit the BDIZ EDI website at www.bdizedi.org/en/european-consensus-conference.

You will find the most up-to-date information on continuing professional development events at: www.bdizedi.org/en/further-education

Incidentally, the Cologne Carnival will be celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary with its 2022/23 session. The main focus will be on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the oldest Cologne Carnival Celebrations Committee, the "Grosse von 1823"—whose President is Professor Joachim E. Zöller.

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## Save the date!

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