



CE transcends borders

Dear reader,

Continuing dental education in face-to-face settings is finally picking up steam again. Still, we are nowhere near where the dental world had been before the Corona pandemic. Thus, although this year participants flocked to EuroPerio in Copenhagen and EAO in Geneva, European CE enthusiasts never had to travel very far. The FDI World Dental Association also preferred to stay at its home in Geneva rather than hosting the political and organisational segments and the associated professional congress in Mumbai (India), as originally planned.

As dental world is taking a cautiously optimistic outlook, it is longing for the dazzling metropolises of this world. The FDI Congress in Shanghai had to be cancelled on account of COVID-19. But in 2023, we will be looking at more remote pastures again—as seen from our European viewpoint, at any rate, as the FDI is heading for Sydney (Australia) next year.

When we listen to the organisers of IDS Cologne, what we are hearing is entirely devoid of this kind of reticence, particularly since IDS will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in March next year. The organisers hope to build on the successes of previous years, when virtually the entire dental world met in Cologne for a week every other year. Looking at the number of exhibitors who have registered, optimism reigns supreme. The self-styled “platform for innovations and market trends” will again be held in Cologne, 14–18 March 2023.

As always, BDIZ EDI will present its international dimension at the IDS. All partner associations will also be invited to attend. The focus will be on a hot topic: the European Medical Device Regulation, MDR. The new cooperation partner of BDIZ EDI, EDI India, will certainly be presented at the BDIZ EDI booth. This autumn, BDIZ EDI will be launching a modular continuing education programme for Indian dentists who wish to further their

education in the field of oral implantology: a fellowship/diploma programme will be held that builds on the BDIZ EDI’s well-established Curriculum Implantology, which is hosted in cooperation with the University of Cologne. The event will be a hybrid event, with most of the modules going virtual but supplemented by face-to-face sessions with speakers from BDIZ EDI scheduled to deliver presentations in Hyderabad, where the final exams will also be held. With this cooperation, BDIZ EDI takes a big and adventurous leap beyond the European confines. Participants will become members of the association, enjoying full membership privileges including receipt of the *EDI Journal*. In our next issue, we will take an in-depth editorial look at this new BDIZ EDI project, which has evolved over the past few years and has the potential to serve as a beacon for similar activities in other countries as well.

If you do not want to wait until IDS, you are cordially invited to Cologne in February to attend the 18th Expert Symposium of BDIZ EDI. The 2023 incarnation will provide an update on short, angulated and reduced-diameter implants, with the European Consensus Conference of BDIZ EDI updating its pertinent 2016 Guideline. Did you know that all BDIZ EDI Guidelines produced to date can easily be accessed on our website? Simply scan the QR code.

The present issue reports on the digital transformation in dentistry, the political work of FDI and CED as well as BDIZ EDI.



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