



## Impressive performance

Dear colleagues,

After a slimmed-down version two years ago, this year's International Dental Show will be held predominantly face to face this year—as usual in Cologne. From 14 to 18 March 2023, the dental world will flock to the city on the Rhine. The hype of past years, before the COVID-19-pandemic, with ever more visitors and ever more exhibitors, has given way to a new philosophy that the pandemic has taught us; many things actually can be done virtually. This year's IDS is celebrating an anniversary, its 40<sup>th</sup>. "The most important platform for the dental world for 100 years", is how the IDS organisers describe it in their own press release. Their expectations are emblazoned on the IDS/Koelnmesse website: 2,000 exhibitors from 65 countries, 160,000 trade visitors from 160 countries.

BDIZ EDI will—of course!—be right on the spot again: Hall 11.2, Booth O069—the same place as from 2013 to 2019. Our preparations are in full swing. And we always have something new to offer! The updated 2023 Guideline on short, angulated and reduced-diameter implants will be ready just in time for IDS. Just a few weeks earlier, the 18<sup>th</sup> Expert Symposium on the same topic was held with internationally renowned speakers—also in Cologne, as tradition dictates.

The European Consensus Conference (EuCC), under the leadership of BDIZ EDI, discussed and revised the content of the document with an international team of experts. The 2023 Guideline will again be available in German and in English.

For a number of years now, we have been at the forefront when it comes to highlighting the impact of the EU Medical Device Regulation (MDR) on our practices. In this issue, we have some new information on this subject. However, the news is not always satisfactory for the dental practices or for medium-sized medical device manufacturers. It is true that the certification requirement has been postponed, but this "solution" is merely a drop in the ocean. Our website provides important MDR-related forms and consistently updated information—as does this issue of the *EDI Journal*.

You can find out more at the BDIZ EDI booth and through our media channels. Come and visit us. You are most welcome!

I look forward to seeing you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "K. Berger". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Christian Berger, President BDIZ EDI