

## International Implantology Congress in Nepal

# Oral implantology in the Himalayas

After almost three years of delays by the Corona pandemic and several forced cancellations, the Nepal Society of Implant Dentistry (NSID) ventured a new start. Now it could finally take place in Kathmandu in April 2023. BDIZ EDI was there as a cooperation partner.



The NSID Board with Dr Sybille Keller, President of Dentists Without Borders, and Christian Berger (middle) on the podium.



"Embracing the Future" was the topic of the Congress.



Christian Berger: How long-term success in implant therapy can be achieved.

The Nepalese Society of Implant Dentistry (NSID) had invited BDIZ EDI and two speakers, Christian Berger and Prof. Jörg Neugebauer, to the congress in Kathmandu.

More than 250 dentists and trade partners from several countries including Nepal, UK, India, China, USA, Australia, Germany, and Romania attended the event. Sixteen international speakers shared their expertise and provided evidence-based guidelines and a consensus for better patient care.

In her welcome address, NSID President Dr Rita Singh spoke about Nepal's journey in providing dental implants to the Nepalese population and the importance of oral health for the whole body, highlighting the multiple effects of oral disease on general health.

As the first speaker of the two-day congress, BDIZ EDI President Christian Berger presented consensus recommendations for every dental practice to achieve long-term success in implant therapy. Secretary General Prof. Jörg Neugebauer demonstrated how digital technologies can bring about improvements in implant prosthetics.

### A lot of public attention

The congress was an outstanding event—not only for the NSID board members and other participants. The public was at least as much interested in the event as the dentists were. The media covered the congress every day, and the *Himalayan Times* interviewed Christian Berger at length about the

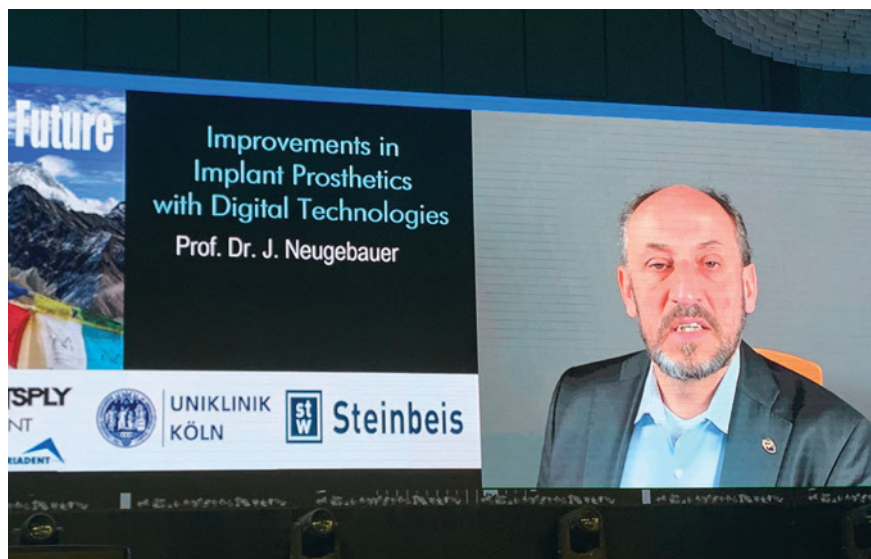




The official handover of the speaker certificate in Nepalese.



Dr Rita Singh opened the Congress as President.



Prof. Dr Jörg Neugebauer was connected online.

importance of implantology in patient care.

Also present was Dr Sybille Keller (Waltenhofen, Germany), president and founder of Dentists Without Borders, who continued her work building her dental clinics in Sushma Koirala (Sankhuwashaba district) and Ampipal (Gorkha district). She was warmly welcomed by the Nepalese implantologists. Keller's presence is sure to open up new opportunities for support in the regions where she works.

If you would like to see the TV report or the interview (in English), you can access it via the BDIZ EDI website: <https://bdizedi.org/embracing-the-future>



AWU Participants in the auditorium.