

Did you know...

...that this year marks the 35th anniversary of BDIZ EDI?

The association was originally founded in 1989 as the Federal Association of Implant Dentists in Private Practice (BDIZ) in Frankfurt am Main (“in private practice” was dropped later). The association was established in response to the non-increase in the point value of the German Standard Schedule of Fees for Dentists (GOZ) following its amendment at the time. The association was also founded to preserve the practice of oral implantology in dental practices following the scientific recognition of the fledgling discipline in the mid-1980s. The founding father, Prof. Egon Brinkmann (†), described the mission of the association in a single sentence: every dentist should have the opportunity, after appropriate training, to work in implantology in their own practice.



Meeting of the founding members on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of BDIZ EDI.

...that BDIZ EDI will hold its 20th Expert Symposium on 2 March 2025?

The concept developed by Vice President Prof. Joachim Zöller to offer a symposium with expert opinions on a current topic in oral implantology—always in Cologne on Carnival Sunday—has proved its worth over the past two decades. Immediately prior to the symposium, the European Consensus Conference (EuCC) under the auspices of BDIZ EDI, seeks and achieves consensus on the respective topic of the symposium. The resulting guidelines serve as recommendations for implant practice. Over the years, BDIZ EDI has produced 20 practice guidelines in German and English and has updated many of the topics several times.



Full house at the BDIZ EDI Expert Symposium.

...that BDIZ EDI is approaching the conclusion of its 25th Curriculum Implantology, which it organises in cooperation with the University of Cologne?

To date, almost 1,000 young implantologists have successfully completed this introductory course in eight modules over a period of one year. The successful Curriculum is now also being successfully “replicated” by partner associations in other European countries. The 26th Curriculum Implantology will start on 18 October at the University of Cologne: its southern counterpart will start already on 27 September in Munich, Landsberg am Lech and Ansbach.



The graduates of the 24th Curriculum Implantology at the University of Cologne.