

## European Federation of Periodontology (EFP)

# Moritz Kebschull is the new president of Europe's periodontists

With Prof. Moritz Kebschull, another renowned scientist from the German periodontology community is now at the helm of the European Federation of Periodontology (EFP). An association of 38 national periodontal societies from Argentina to Australia, the EFP pursues a global agenda to promote awareness of periodontology and the importance of periodontal oral health.



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Kebschull succeeds Dr Darko Božić (University of Zagreb, Croatia) as President of the EFP. After Prof. Lavinia Flores-de-Jacoby, Prof. Jörg Meyle and Prof. Søren Jepsen, the EFP presidency is now held by another scientist who was educated in Germany (and the USA) and who has been active in Bonn for many years, including in the German Research Foundation (DFG) research project on periodontology. Kebschull, who has been awarded the prestigious Miller Prize by the German Society of Dentistry, Oral and Maxillofacial Medicine, is currently working in the UK,

where he holds the Chair of Restorative Dentistry at the University of Birmingham. His collaborators include Prof. Iain Chapple, for whom he organised a major symposium to mark the latter's retirement in 2023. Kebschull also holds an associate professorship at Columbia University (USA).

### Award-winning research

Kebschull's award-winning translational research investigates the links between the clinical features and molecular basis of periodontal and peri-implant diseases and other systemic diseases. In Birmingham, he leads an extensive portfolio of externally funded research programmes, including a module at the Birmingham Biomedical Research Centre funded by the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR).

### Board member of national professional societies and the EFP Executive Committee

As a board member of the British and German national societies and as a member of the EFP Executive Committee for

the past three years, Kebschull has promoted the development of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines for the treatment of periodontal disease in the UK and Germany and across Europe. He has based the EFP's procedures on those established in Germany by the Association of the Scientific Medical Societies in Germany (AWMF) for the development of medical guidelines.

### Three major tasks for the presidency

Moritz Kebschull has set himself three tasks for his presidency, which he intends to pursue with priority and with which he wants to further strengthen the global influence of the EFP as the world's largest scientific organisation in periodontology. He wants to expand the EFP's leading role in the development of guidelines in the field of dentistry, to open up ways for training dentists in periodontology and to promote scientific periodontology by supporting young, internationally mobile researchers.

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