

Anniversary salutations: 20 years of *EDI Journal*



Council of European Dentists (CED)

As President of the Council of European Dentists (CED), I am honoured to represent the interests of over 340,000 practising dentists across Europe. Since 1961, CED has served as the united voice of the profession at EU level, ensuring that dentistry is heard in the complex debates shaping European health policy.

In recent years, healthcare in Europe has been going through major changes. From new digital health rules and emerging challenges posed by artificial intelligence, to workforce shortages, as well as oral health strategies, dental education and the recognition of professional qualifications, European dentists are directly impacted by EU decisions in their daily practice.

CED's mission is to safeguard high quality oral healthcare, protect professional autonomy, and support patient safety, while encouraging innovation and responding to the needs of our societies. We are working on key issues such as cross-border professional mobility, including of dental specialists, continuous professional development, the regulation of dental devices and materials, and the growing integration of dentistry into broader EU health initiatives.

Over the past 20 years, *EDI Journal* has become an important reference point in the field of implant dentistry. It not only shares scientific knowledge and clinical experience but also provides a platform where broader professional developments can be followed. By doing so, the journal helps dentists remain well-informed about both innovation in implantology and the wider trends shaping our profession.

On the occasion of *EDI Journal's* continued success, I warmly congratulate the team and look forward to following your future contributions to the European dental community with great interest.

Dr. Freddie Sloth-Lisbjerg
President of Council of European Dentists
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German Dental Association (BZÄK)

Since its inception, *EDI Journal* has established itself as a leading authority in the field of dentistry, providing an invaluable resource for anyone dedicated to oral implantology.

It has documented the developments in the field and continuously provided fresh impetus. With scientific depth, journalistic precision, and an eye for relevant topics, *EDI Journal* skilfully brings together current research, innovative techniques, and practical case studies. In doing so, it has become a reliable compass for modern implantology.

Of particular note is the journal's international focus and the promotion of the exchange of ideas from the outset. In an increasingly interconnected world, cross-border collaboration in research and clinical practice is essential. *EDI Journal* has been, and continues to be, a platform for sharing and debating new findings and perspectives from around the globe.

On behalf of the German Dental Association (BZÄK), I would like to offer my heartfelt congratulations on *EDI Journal's* 20th anniversary. I wish its editors and contributors continued success and thank them for their outstanding commitment to advancing oral implantology.



Professor Christoph Benz
President of the German Dental Association (BZÄK)



OEMUS MEDIA AG

Congratulations for 20 years of *EDI Journal*!

OEMUS MEDIA AG has been working with BDIZ EDI for four years now, and it is our pleasure to jointly shape the leading European voice for dental implantology: the *EDI Journal*.

What makes this journal standing out? Science with a good attitude, practical relevance with an overview, and a European visionary perspective. From in-depth analyses and case reports to regulatory classifications—decision-makers and young scientists will find reliable guidance here.

Special thanks go to the board of BDIZ EDI, in particular to President Christian Berger and Vice-President Prof. Joachim E. Zöller, for their trust and partnership. We would also like to express our great appreciation to the editor-in-chief Anita Wuttke and all the authors who fill the journal with life and substance.

And a big “Thank you” to Stefan Thieme, who has supported the project with great commitment, expertise and reliability—and thus contributed to our joint success.

We look forward to many more years full of topics that move implantology forward—with curiosity, quality and team spirit.

Congratulations on your 20th anniversary, *EDI Journal*—here’s to the next 20!

Lutz V. Hiller
Board OEMUS MEDIA AG

Czech Dental Chamber (CSK)

Twenty years of the *EDI Journal* are twenty years of a community that unites scientific rigor with clinical expertise. The Journal has guided Europe’s implantology from early survival metrics to today’s focus on long-term function, soft-tissue stability, and patient-reported outcomes—while championing digital workflows, responsible innovation, and patient safety. Our cooperation with BDIZ EDI’s leadership—President Christian Berger and Vice President Prof. Dr Dr Joachim E. Zöller—has grown far beyond a formal link; it is a genuine friendship based on mutual help that is generous and entirely selfless. Together we are contributing to the FDI World Dental Congress Prague 2026 and to raising the bar in systematic implantology education in the Czech Republic. Congratulations to the editors, authors, and readers who made these two decades count.



Assoc. Prof. Dr Roman Šmucler, MUDr., CSc.
President, Česká stomatologická komora (ČSK)



Croatian Dental Chamber (CDC)

On behalf of the Croatian Dental Chamber, it is my great honor to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the *EDI Journal* on its 20th anniversary. For two decades, the Journal has been more than a publication—it has stood as a trusted platform for scientific exchange, professional dialogue, and the dissemination of knowledge that directly benefits both practitioners and patients.

Our Chamber highly values the close cooperation with BDIZ EDI, grounded in our shared commitment to education and continuing professional development. These pillars are essential for advancing implant dentistry and ensuring that our members remain at the forefront of innovation and evidence-based practice. The *EDI Journal* has been instrumental in supporting these goals, fostering collaboration across borders, and strengthening the European community of dental professionals.

As the *EDI Journal* enters its third decade, we look forward to continuing this fruitful partnership, united by the common vision of excellence in education, professional standards, and patient care.

Let this anniversary not only celebrate the past, but also inspire us to reach even greater heights in advancing knowledge, strengthening collaboration, and improving lives through dentistry!

Congratulations!

Hrvoje Pezo, PhD, DMD
President of the Croatian Dental Chamber



Association of Dental Implantology UK (ADI UK)

Twenty years of the *EDI Journal* deserves to be celebrated as a beacon of collaboration and partnership with the dental industry, especially as regards implant dentistry. The ADI's mission is to advance education in the field of dental implantology for the benefit of the public. This means to maximise the importance of education across all dental disciplines, with a special focus on implant training and the science supporting it. The *EDI Journal*, which our members receive, has contributed greatly to that exchange of knowledge and techniques via postgraduate training in implant science, and the vast pool of specialist know-how the journal promotes from Europe and beyond.

It has highlighted through its partnerships with the dental technology industry the advances in innovative treatments and constantly improving materials and methods, and via its case reports, product trials and comparative quality studies provided a window into the latest advances in our field by world-renowned experts.

It is vital in this post-Brexit world for practitioners in the UK to be able to access up-to-date commentary on the changes in the framework condition for dental practices prevalent across Europe, which of course do not stop at national borders. The track record of the *EDI Journal* across its 20 years reflects an ongoing success story of all those expert voices who have contributed.

When the *EDI Journal* was originally conceived as a European journal for oral implantology, we could not have foreseen the changes in the dentistry world that have taken place since then, with a harmonised internal European market and the ongoing negotiations for an American-European free-trade agreement. Innovation has been central in the development of implant dentistry, as in all medical fields. The European continent plays a definitive role in a wide range of collaborations, with partners across dental specialists, universities and technology companies.

Today, European nations are all pulling together in the same direction, sharing innovations in techniques, methodology and technology. The economic strengths within Europe and its coterie of well-trained specialist employees provide world-class success.

The promotion of research and education in the field of implant dentistry is key to the ongoing success of our industry. National and international events where specialists and experts share knowledge and innovation are central to this ongoing development of new techniques and materials, and encouraging the next generation of implant dentists to embrace studies in the field and establish new business across the world.

In the field of oral health, a field of medicine typically underestimated and under-invested in by most governments, we very actively support education and awareness—one of the three key areas identified by the European Platform For Better Oral Health. Training and education is paramount to successful treatment for our patients, and proper education and awareness of the benefits of oral health for the whole being is likewise vital. We all depend on an economic and educational environment that is at least partly determined by EU politics as well as a stable international financial market. In terms of education we would support the creation of a European accreditation or quality label for dental education events and courses which would help further harmonise internationally accepted standards. This is something the *EDI Journal* has long championed, and the ADI supports its efforts to continue this message for the shared future we all hope will bring closer cooperation, further innovation, and the advances in our industry which will help generate better outcomes for patients and dentists alike.

Amit Patel

President, Association of Dental Implantology

EDI of Macedonia

On behalf of EDI of Macedonia, it is a true pleasure to congratulate the *EDI Journal* on reaching its 20th anniversary. This milestone is not only a celebration of time, but also of countless efforts, ideas, and collaborations that have helped shape the field of dental implantology across Europe.

Since our founding in 2013 as the Albanian Implantology Association of Macedonia, we have shared the same passion that drives your work: to advance dental implantology through education, research, and cooperation for the benefit of our patients and our profession. Over the years, the *EDI Journal* has been a trusted companion—offering knowledge, connecting colleagues, and inspiring new generations of dental professionals to aim higher.

We are proud to stand alongside you as part of this strong European network, and we look forward to many more years of shared progress, innovation, and friendship.



Dr Fisnik Kasapi

President of EDI of Macedonia



Albanian Association of Dental Implantologists (EDI of Albania)

Twenty years of *EDI Journal* represent not only a publishing milestone but also two decades of meaningful progress in European dental Implantology. In a field evolving at remarkable speed, *EDI Journal* has been a constant—offering clarity amid complexity, and fostering a shared scientific dialogue that transcends borders. *EDI Journal* continues to provide more than clinical insight; it connects practitioners, institutions, and policy shapers. Whether through consensus papers, policy analysis, or showcasing innovation, the journal remains a vital bridge between science and clinical application, grounded in patient-centered care. I extend my sincere congratulations to the editorial team and the BDIZ EDI leadership for their enduring commitment. May the next 20 years of *EDI Journal* be just as bold, insightful, and unifying as the first.

Dr Erion Çerekja

President Albanian Association of Dental Implantologists (EDI of Albania)

Polish Osseointegration Association (OSIS EDI)

EDI Journal plays an important role for the Polish Osseointegration Association OSIS and dental clinicians in Poland by providing up-to-date, balanced, evidence-based knowledge.

We particularly appreciate the Consensus Papers published annually following the European Consensus Conferences held by BDIZ EDI in Cologne. We see a great and growing number of dental clinicians in Poland working with implants on a daily basis, and we need clear and easily accessible guidelines to do so safely while meeting increasing patient demands in terms of speed, pain-free procedures and impeccable aesthetic results that will preferably last forever.

Implant dentistry is by far the biggest commercial surgical specialty practiced by the largest number of medical professionals in the world. Dentists have therefore become the targets of dental manufacturers and the dental-education industry that produces a massive and not infrequently misleading information tempest that can lead clinicians to commit inadvertent treatment errors, resulting in serious medical and financial consequences. All the more reason to truly appreciate the Guidelines provided by bdiz edi through its *EDI Journal* as a reliable reference. Thank you very much for this! We congratulate *EDI Journal* and its staff on their prestigious position in the world of dental publications and we hope for another decade of success and further growth for you, as our profession needs it desperately.



Ass. Professor Kornel Krasny, DDS, PhD; President of OSIS EDI



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At the same time, our industry faces growing challenges. We see more regulatory complexity, longer approval timelines, and rising documentation requirements. While patient safety and product quality are non-negotiable, we call on EU policymakers to balance oversight with efficiency and predictability in approvals. Streamlined frameworks would allow innovations to reach patients faster while maintaining the highest standards. We also encourage the EU to

ensure open and fair trade. Global competitors, particularly from the US and Korea, may benefit from tariff regimes that distort competition. For Europe to remain competitive, we need policies that support innovation, fair market access, and advanced health-care technologies. Looking ahead, Straumann Group will continue to invest in Europe—in research, manufacturing, education, and partnerships. At the same time, we are expanding globally in China and North America. Our mission remains unchanged: to create smiles and restore confidence for millions of patients worldwide.

Guillaume Daniellot, CEO Straumann Group