11th "MSc in Lasers in Dentistry" class graduates at RWTH Aachen University

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_In September 2011, another group of international dentists graduated from the RWTH Aachen University with a Master of Science in "Lasers in Dentistry" and is now officially certified to use laser applications correctly and successfully in their daily practices and for therapeutic purposes.

It takes a lot of courage, discipline and perseverance to manage attending MSc courses for two years on the one hand whilst practising dentistry and caring for patients on the other. But for dentists who want to offer innovative treatment to their patients, the success of applying new technologies seems undeniable. Two years ago, the now successful graduates had this line of thought on their minds when they signed up for their Master's studies.

Since 2004, more than 110 dentists have successfully passed this accredited Master's programme. Including the current graduates, the programme now has over 130 alumni from all over the

world, hailing from the European Union, Canada, China, Japan, India, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and many other countries.

Participating dentists recognize that dental laser systems have become more and more important: well-informed and discerning patients have increasingly inquired alternative treatments and expect their dentist to be able to inform them about new medical and technological developments. Hence, today laser has become one of the most important medical instruments and forms a foundation for successful and state-of-the art dental clinics.

To meet these expectations, participants obtain sound theoretical knowledge in lectures and seminars led by renowned, competent and experienced international scientists and practitioners. Participants are guided towards using lasers successfully and professionally in their own practices by skill training sessions, exercises, practical applications, live operations and workshops with intensive assistance from scientific associates with doctorates.

The "Lasers in Dentistry" Master's programme is the first accredited Master's programme for laser dentistry in Germany. Indeed, it is recognized internationally as a valid academic degree by the EU and all countries of the Washington Accord (USA and Anglo-American nations), as well as by the Bologna Reform. The European Commission awarded it with the Bronze Medal for Lifelong Learning.

The next master course starts on 24 September 2012 at RWTH Aachen University. For more information about the programme and registration, please see www.aalz.de or contact Ms Dajana Klöckner (Tel.: +49 241 47571311, E-mail: kloeckner@aalz.de).









