Wind of change



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Dear reader,

Times are changing—with their song "Wind of Change", the Scorpions recognised the changing political situation in Europe already in 1990 and captured the spirit of the time. Our profession as implantologists is evolving currently in nearly as vehement a manner as these changes in the past. This assessment is not related to the political situation that affects our profession and work; it is due to the shift from analogue to digital dentistry.

A walk through the most recent International Dental Show in Cologne in Germany confirmed this impression. It is fascinating and surprising how rapidly and radically the new digital options are displacing traditional methods and ultimately replacing them entirely. In dental technology, this development is considerably more advanced.

These developments have already changed our profession and work and will continue to do so even more in the near future. As implantologists, we each have to face this transition in our own practice. As the German Association of Dental Implantology (DGZI), we are seeking to respond to these changes as well.

This objective will form a clear thread running through all the activities of the DGZI this year, beginning with the further expansion of our collaboration with dental technicians through our educational activities in the curriculum and study groups to our annual congress in Wiesbaden in October. There, you can experience the wind of change yourself, obtain information and engage in discussions.

Times are changing and we are well prepared.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Georg Bach