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# Dear readers,

In this edition of implants we would like to welcome you back after the summer break and to take a look at our activities of the past weeks while also bringing to your attention this year's annual international DGZI congress.

As the oldest professional association in Europe, the DGZI's key concern has always been to communicate as well as further develop the scientific and user-orientated standards of modern implantology.

In addition to our partners in the US, Japan and the Middle East, our board members have established new contacts with Mexico as a gateway to the South American region. This region shows a great interest in the training opportunities provided by the DGZI.

However, our biggest event remains the annual international DGZI congress. For the 45<sup>th</sup> time running, the congress will take place on 2–3 October at the Dorint Hotel in Wiesbaden and is dedicated to the main topic of "Dental technology and implantology—Interface to success".

For years, the DGZI has been promoting the teamwork of dentists and dental technicians. This year's congress theme highlights once again the DGZI's emphasis on this particular team spirit. In numerous shared presentations, dentists and dental technicians have the opportunity to express their role in making the implantological teamwork a success. Furthermore, we hope not only to see consensus among the speakers but fruitful and stimulating discussions that will ultimately benefit the patients.

Hoping to have caught your professional interest in our association, I wish you an enjoyable read of the new edition.   

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