Cooperation with partner university Universiapolis in Agadir

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DGZI members of the board followed the invitation by the Moroccan Private University Universiapolis in Agadir and took part in an information event from 19 to 20 May 2016. The university showed great interest in a cooperation with the German Association of Dental Implantology e.V. (DGZI) regarding postgraduate education. Roughly 30 Moroccan dentists attended the event, among them residential dentists or dentists engaged in the dentist's association. Specialist speeches were held by Dr Rolf Vollmer, Dr Rainer Valentin and Dr Mazen Tamimi and lead to interesting discussions. Due to his fluent Arabic, Dr Mazen Tamimi ensured that there were no communication problems.

Both President and Vice President of Universiapolis emphasised in their speeches that a dental faculty will be established within the next two years and that they were hoping for advice and support from abroad. This entails their strong interest in the DGZI postgraduate education programmes.

Conversations with the Moroccan DGZI representative Dr Ali resulted in the announcement of a joint congress in Morocco in the beginning of next year,

including the so-called Maghreb countries Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia and Libya. Furthermore, there is hope that visa problems with Libya will be solved until then, which would result in improved travel opportunities to Morocco. The joint congress is going to be named the "10th Arabian-German Implantology Congress". Colleagues who want to join the congress either as speakers or participants may contact the DGZI 1st Vice President Dr Rolf Vollmer or the organisational manager Dr Rainer Valentin for further details.

In conclusion, there is a high demand for education opportunities on an international level in this region._

Fig. 1: Dr Mazen Tamimi, Dr Rolf Vollmer, Dr Elias (Vice President of Universiapolis), Dr Rainer Valentin and Aziz Bouslikhane (President of Universiapolis) at the presentation of certificates (from left to right).

Fig. 2: DGZI representatives with members of the Private University Universiapolis.

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