Munich extraordinaire!



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Dear colleagues,

Anything but ordinary—Our DGZI family has only recently experienced eventful days in Munich during our 46th International Annual Congress. Extraordinary, no doubt, was the choice of Munich as event location, which certainly is always worth a trip. Moreover, the two congress days were packed with knowledge and expertise of renowned speakers from Germany and abroad, organised by congress makers Prof. Dr Herbert Deppe and Prof. (CAI) Dr Roland Hille. We also experienced an exceptional cooperation among colleagues, within the lecture halls as well as during the evening event on the Octoberfest Wiesn at the Löwenbräu brewery, which has proven to be an unforgettable event especially for our international guests. Furthermore, we have seen an exceptional congress organisation, which is why I would like to especially thank our headquarters and their leader Dr Torsten Hartmann as well as the OEMUS MEDIA AG team.

Memorable were the key messages of the congress, which were dedicated to the ambitious topic "Implantology and Aesthetics". While the options for aesthetically oriented implantology have increased, pre-implantological problems of implant planning or implantological education still form the centre of the discussion. If these parameters are not well adjusted, we are prone to reach a high-risk zone of complications and possible failure. That's when "total damage" might be a consequence, both a fact and warning that were highlighted throughout the congress.

Another success parameter formed a key aspect of the scientific contributions and discussions: the contemplation of biological principles. Therefore, the congress posted the provocative question, 'Does biology still play a permanent role implantology?' It does! Which is why I now would like to shed some light on the 2017 DGZI Congress.

The 47th DGZI Congress is going to take place on the last weekend of September 2017 in Germany's capital Berlin. We hope that this event will help us to decide upon this pressing problem of the relevance of biological aspects in implantology. We are looking forward to it!

With warm collegial regards,

Dr Georg Bach