

# ISMI congress 2018 will take place in Hamburg

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Founded in 2014, the International Society of Metal Free Implantology (ISMI) held its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting under the topic “Metal free implantology—Defining its position”. With more than 150 participants and speakers from eight countries and a broad programme, the society’s 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting, held on 5 and 6 May 2017 in Constance, Germany, was a total success. Participants were presented

with a programme of seminars, various live surgeries as well as in-depth scientific lectures. On both congress days, international speakers and participants discussed their practical experiences and current trends regarding the use of ceramic implants. Following the recent IDS in March, the society’s 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting highlights once again, a particularly innovative area within the field of implantology.

## SAVE THE DATE

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Society of Metal Free Implantology (ISMI) will be held on 22 and 23 June 2018 in Hamburg, Germany.





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**Fig. 1:** More than 150 participants and speakers from eight countries participated at the ISMI congress 2017. **Fig. 2:** During the conference, a live surgery using ceramic implants and performed by Dr Karl Ulrich Volz was streamed online and in the conference hall via multi-channel streaming technology. This innovative technology is provided by OEMUS MEDIA AG. **Fig. 3:** President of the ISMI, Dr Karl Ulrich Volz during his lecture.

The meeting started on Friday morning with pre-congress symposia and various live operations as well as seminars focusing among others on implant surgery and biological dentistry. The highlight of the first congress day was the ISMI White Night at Villa Barleben, where participants could end the day enjoying culinary specialties in a relaxed atmosphere. Saturday was entirely dedicated to scientific lectures. The range of topics being dealt with covered all areas of metal-free implantology, although the main focus was placed on practical experiences regarding the use of ceramic implants. In addition to such topics as implant design and questions concerning the materials' characteristics, the lectures addressed in particular, the specific nature of bone and tissue regeneration as well as biological aspects. The discussions concluded that ceramic implants have become indispensable in modern implantology, and, based on aesthetic and biological considerations, they are the better alternative.

ISMI was founded with the aim of promoting and enhancing metal-free implantology's innovative direction and pioneering approach within the field of implantology. In this context, ISMI supports its members by providing advanced training offers as well as regular specialist and

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market information. By reaching out to expert circles and patients alike, ISMI actively promotes the comprehensive establishment of metal-free treatment concepts. A particular highlight of this year's meeting was the simultaneous broadcasting of live surgeries to the audience in Constance as well as to the German dental news platform [zwp-online.info](http://zwp-online.info).

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