

DGZI Expands Cooperation with Japanese Implantologists

The German Association of Dental Implantology (DGZI) has been able to further expand its international involvement in recent years. Through a direct cooperation with implantological associations in the USA, Asia, the Arabic region, and Europe, the DGZI has become part of a worldwide network of over 10,000 implantologists. As a direct result of the efforts of the DGZI managing committee, the DGZI has signed a cooperation agreement with the Japanese implantology association, the Academy of International Advanced Implantology (AIAI), which is headed by its president Dr. Yashuiko Takamae. The initiatives for a cooperation with the 800 members of the Japanese implantology association have been ongoing for roughly one year and were initially launched due to the attendance of a large Japanese delegation (with

over 50 participants) at the 36th annual DGZI international symposium held last year in Munich. The objective of this non-commercial cooperation is the exchange of knowledge to promote implantological research and development. The use of existing concepts should strengthen collaboration efforts regarding continuing education and training; especially the international symposia organized by DGZI and AIAI will play a key role in this area. Aside from the goal of cooperation between members of the two associations, another important goal of the agreement is collaboration with regard to scientific projects and mutual recognition of acquired qualifications. Due to the agreement, Japanese members will also have access to advanced training classes and the German DGZI standards-based Master of Science.

