

## 38<sup>th</sup> Annual **International** Congress of DGZI



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Dear colleagues,

many factors play a leading role in giving a positive long-term prognosis for implant restorations. Albeit the progresses in implant design, surfaces or materials, computer aided diagnosis and planning methods, the practitioner's implantological know-how is still one of the most important reasons for successful implantology. Even though, at the moment, the constructive aspects of implants (micro gap) are in the center of interest as far as the efforts of optimizing the bone-implant interfaces are concerned, but the conditions of those factors influencing long-term success of implants is much more complex than generally described. We believe that it is beyond doubt, that apart from the reserves of the implant itself, functional, parodontological, surgical and prosthetic aspects should be stated more thoroughly in their complexity and interaction. One should take the advantage and benefit from interdisciplinary approaches more often. Our Expert Association will discuss this exciting issue on the occasion of our 38<sup>th</sup> Annual International Congress in Bremen (September 10–11, 2008). The topic "Interdisciplinary Concepts for Implantological Rehabilitation" will treat and discuss developmental tendencies between science and clinical practice. In this context, I am proud to say, that once again we could gather a team of high class international speakers. Well-known speakers from the USA, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Germany will take the chance to discuss, together with the congress participants, during both congress days, proven methods and innovations in the frame of speeches, workshops and in an ample panel discussion themed "Treatment of the Posterior Maxilla".

It would give me great pleasure to welcome you on October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at the Congress Centrum of Maritim Hotel in the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. F. Heinemann", with a long, sweeping underline.

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