

## ***Regional European Organisation of the FDI***

### ***National Report***

**Country: Bulgaria**

**Association: Bulgarian Dental Association (BgDA)**

**Venue: Geneva**

**Year: 2017**

*Please classify your national report by following subjects:*

#### *Changes*

*in the association and its organisation*

No any changes in the association.

Number of the BgDA members in active practice – 8540.

Elections for a new board – Congress of BgDA, June 02 & 03, 2017.

#### *Trends and developments:*

*in professional politics*

1. The updated and the upgrade Ethical Code of BgDA was published in the State Gazette
2. Positive change in favour of the medical, dental and pharmaceutical associations – the control of the continuous education (CE or CPD) was transferred from an obligation of the minister of health to an obligation of the associations themselves.

*in health and social politics*

Almost all laws and by-laws concerning medicine, dental medicine and pharmacy were changed by the Bulgarian Parliament and respectively the Ministry of Health. BgDA through very stable positions and hard lobbyism manage to keep the

positive texts concerning dentistry and to restore some of its positions and positive texts in the documents.

*in educational politics*

No any changes.

*in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes)*

The patients over 18 years received one more new health service in their mandatory health insurance package after 01.09.2016.

*in dental care for persons applying for asylum or refugees*

The migrants are treated according to the Bulgarian Health and Health Insurance laws

*Changes in fees:*

No any changes.

*Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:*

BgDA celebrated the WOHD 2016 with interviews in front BG media, articles in the BgDA website, BgDA newspaper, flash mobs etc.

*Further information (activities, concerns):*