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Dear Colleagues,

During the ERO Plenary Session in Baku I had the pleasure and honour to take over the ERO Presidency following in this position Philippe Rusca.

First of all I would like to thank P. Rusca for all the hard work he has done for this organization – his Presidency has contributed well to further development of ERO-FDI.

In Baku P. Rusca handed to me the „insignia” of ERO Presidency – the chain which was gifted to ERO in 2010 by the Armenian Dental Association.



A photograph [1] of handing over Presidency [2] Dr Philippe Rusca (outgoing ERO-FDI president), Dr Anna Lella (new ERO-FDI president) and Dr Patrick Hescot (FDI president) at the Plenary Session of the FDI European Regional Organization.

I would also like to thank all those who congratulated me and wished success – I will certainly do all my best.

Sadly, I have to inform about the passing away on 8 May 2016 of the former ERO

president (between 1992 and 1998) Adolf Schneider. All that have known and worked with him appreciate the great contribution he made to the prosperity of our organization. We will keep him in our memory.

ERO Plenary Session, Baku

On 29 and 30 April the ERO Plenary Session took place in Baku. It was preceded by a meeting of ERO Board and meetings of ERO working groups. Our hosts, Azerbaijan Stomatological Association have done great organizational job.

Thank you prof. Rena Aliyeva and other Azerbaijan colleagues for your work and hospitality.



ERO-FDI plenary meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan

At this Plenary Session the elections for the ERO Board were held.

ERO Board for the term 2016 – 2019:

President – Anna Lella, Poland

President-Elect – Michael Frank, Germany
Secretary General – Oliver Zeyer, Switzerland

Member Treasurer – Bartolomeo Griffa, Italy

Member – Taner Yücel, Turkey.

Delegates gathered in Baku adopted “ERO accreditation guidelines for

Continuing Dental Education Providers” and recommendations for national dental organizations to cooperate with dental faculties in the field of clinical guidelines and their use in dental practice as a supportive tool.



ERO-FDI plenary meeting in Baku

Participants discussed a wide range of issues related to dentistry in Europe, in particular the scope of professional tasks of dental hygienists – delegates unanimously reconfirmed that the principle “Delegation – yes, substitution – no” is fully valid and should be applied in all countries of the region.

FDI President, dr Patrick Hescot (former ERO President between 2007 – 2010), attended as guest and informed the delegates about the recent activities within the FDI (focusing on the implementation of the FDI Strategic Plan 2014-2017). Dr. Hescot also underlined the importance of deep cooperation between the FDI and its members - national dental organizations. He is of the opinion that personal attendance of the FDI President at regional and national dental assemblies is one of the methods to develop this cooperation.

Dr. Simona Dianiskova from Slovakia was confirmed as Chair of Working Group Relations between dental practitioners and Universities. Many thanks to the former

Chair of this Group, prof. Nermin Yamalik, for the successful work and great commitment.

A new Working Group Aging Population was set up in order to collect experiences and information related to the issue of aging population. The goal is to work out a few guidelines or recommendations on how best to deal with this problem. The first meeting of the group is organized by dr. Philippe Rusca and will take place in Munich on 15 July.

ERO Board meeting in Warsaw

First meeting of the new ERO Board was held in Warsaw on 25 June.

The issues that were discussed included:

- allocation of competencies within the new ERO Board;
- current situation regarding ERO Working Groups;
- agenda of the next ERO Plenary Session;
- strengthening cooperation with FDI.

The Board took the following decisions:

- updating the lists of members of ERO working groups;
 - gathering the plans of future activities of ERO working groups;
 - submitting a draft statement on medical education in dentistry for adoption at the FDI General Assembly.
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Kazakhstan – formation of National Committee

In May 2016 two dental associations in Kazakhstan finally signed a long awaited memorandum setting up the national Committee. We are looking forward to deepening cooperation with Kazakhstan and encourage colleagues from this country to actively engage in ERO activities.



Meeting in Baku with representatives of Kazakhstan Dental Association and Kazakhstan Dental Society to discuss the issue of setting up National Committee

Macedonian Dental Society's application for ERO membership

The Macedonian Dental Society has submitted the application for ERO membership as the NDA representing the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM).

In accordance with the ERO Constitution the decision upon the admission is to be taken by the ERO Plenary Session – this application will be on the agenda of the next Plenary Session in Poznań.

European candidates for positions in the FDI

In the coming days FDI will publish the list of all accepted candidates for the Positions in FDI Council and in 3 Standing Committees. I encourage to support and vote for the candidates from ERO member associations.

Dates:

15 July 2016, Munich GER – 1. meeting of ERO WG Aging Population

7 September 2016, Poznań POL – WGs meetings

8 September 2016, Poznań POL – ERO Plenary Session (during FDI AWDC)

21 – 22 April 2017, Geneva SUI – ERO Plenary Session

September 2017, Madrid ESP – ERO Plenary Session (during FDI AWDC)



Kind regards

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