

## ERO-FDI Working Group "Liberal Dental Practice in Europe" Report 2021/2022

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Due of the corona pandemic our last physically meeting was November 2019 in Paris!

In the following virtual meetings in June 21 and February 22 the main point of discussion was again the development of corporate dentistry run by investment companies and their danger for liberal dental practice. It seems, that this "invasion" towards more third-party interference cannot be stopped.

To evaluate this development and to prove it, the working group decided to start a questionnaire with exactly the same questions like 2016. So, it is possible to determine an exact comparable course of the development.

Based on actual results the working group liberal dental practice must think about a way to confirm our assumption, that external investors endanger our professional practice and influence therapy, quality and individual responsibility of dental treatment.

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