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Dear Colleagues,

July 2015

Our colleague and friend Dr. Jacques Monnot died 14th of June. I had the privilege to know personally Dr. Monnot and I remember him as a tireless fighter, defending our profession without any compromise as CNSD, ERO and FDI President. We have lost a great personality and friend.

The first part of the year 2015 was quite busy for ERO. Invited by Michael Frank, a first board meeting was held in Frankfurt at the “Landeskammer Hessen” on the 27th of February. This meeting was the main preparation for the upcoming spring plenary session.

The plenary session was organized in Tbilisi on 24th and 25th of April in collaboration with the Georgian Dental Association, mainly by V. Margvelashvili. Many thanks to him and his team.



ERO-board during plenary

Even if it was not easy to join this destination for many delegates, we had a good participation and it was very interesting to discover Georgia.

One of the important items was certainly the profile of the dental hygienist. In this particular point I would like to thank the delegates who have accepted to discuss such a sensitive issue even if they do not have dental hygienist in their home countries. Under the leadership of E. Cavallé they have participated at the discussions in the WG and finally the plenary has accepted by a large majority the elaborated document. This is a great example of democracy and mutual respect. The plenary has also approved the statement on “possible delegation within the dental team” and I can assure you that your ERO-board will fight in this direction: “delegation yes, substitution no”.



ERO plenary Tbilisi

From 11th to 13th of June I have participated at the 8th international congress organized by AIO in Sardinia. This large event, more than 950 participants, was a full success and for me as ERO-president, it was an opportunity to recognize the work done by our Italian colleagues related to our profession as well in science as in politics.



AIO congress in Sardinia

Honor of Prof.A.Zucchelli



During the same period, president-elect Anna Lella visited the Bulgarian Dental Association in Burgas, celebrating its 110th anniversary.

Congratulations to Bulgarian colleagues

on the occasion of 110 y anniversary

by Anna Lella

The Bulgarian Dental Association (BgDA) held its 110th anniversary. The event was celebrated together with 15th Jubilee International Scientific Congress in Burgas from 11 to 14 June 2015.

A number of national health officials underlined the importance of these double anniversaries by the presence at the opening ceremony. Among the guests there were Chairperson of the Parliamentary Healthcare Committee of National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria; Members of the Parliamentary Healthcare Committee; Minister of Health and Representative of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria, Mayor of the town of Burgas, and many other distinguish guests.

The FDI was represented by President Dr. Tin Chun Wong and the ERO-FDI by President-Elect Dr. Anna Lella. The President of the Organizing Committee of the 15th Jubilee Scientific Congress of BgDA was Dr. Borislav Milanov and The Secretary General was Dr. Nikolai Sharkov.

Over 900 visitors participated in the Congress - dental scientists and dentists from Bulgaria and foreign countries, students from the three Dental Faculties of Bulgaria and dental lab-technicians.

The opening ceremony took place in the public area –the open stage in Sea Garden, due to this fact the attendants were not only congress participants - dentists but also citizens of Burgas. Apart from congratulation to BgDA they could listen to how important the oral health is.

15th Jubilee Scientific Congress of Bulgarian Dental Association was part of the Program for Continuing Education of FDI for 2015. The scientific programme featured a number of reputed guest speakers addressing a wide variety of subject areas from prosthetic dentistry, endodontics, paediatric dentistry, dental photography, oral surgery and implantology, as well as conservative dentistry and parodontology. It also presented other subject areas such as neurology. Guest-lecturers from Italy, Portugal, Turkey, Israel, Croatia, and Russia and of course from Bulgaria spoke on various topics in dental medicine.

Part of the Scientific Congress were also two sections “Oral presentations” and “Posters” which presented cases from clinical practice of the dentists.

A Dental Exhibition with over 50 exhibitors accompanied the program of the event.

It was a pleasure to see that the Bulgarian Dental Association exists as a well-organized, efficient representation of Bulgarian dentistry not only domestically, but also at the international level. The Congress allowed the exchange of experiences and good practices to all participants and guests.

On behalf of the ERO-FDI we wish the Bulgarian colleagues further years of successful activities for the benefit of Bulgarian dentists and their patients.



Participants of the opening ceremony – Sea Garden , Burgas



Left to right: BgDA President Borislav Milanov, ERO President-Elect Anna Lella, FDI President Tin Chun Wong and BdGA Secretary General Nikolai Sharkov , Burgas 12.06.2015.

Congratulations also to the Armenian Dental Association that has celebrated his 20th anniversary on July 4th.

Finally the board met in Gdansk on 11th of July and our Polish friends organized this meeting.



ERO-board meeting in Gdansk



Visit of the headquarters of the Polish Chamber of Physicians and Dentists in Gdansk

Main points of the last ERO-board meeting

- Taner Yücel informed us about the document “clinical guidelines in dentistry for diabetes 2015”. The Turkish Diabetes Foundation and the Turkish Dental Association, which has translated it in English, have elaborated this publication. The TDA allows the ERO to publish it on our website! Other member associations should imitate this kind of initiative and such

valuable documents are useful for our colleagues.

- There are still some outstanding fees and we try to find individual agreements for each situation.
- The WG “prevention” is suspended for an indefinite period. The poor outcomes and the insufficient motivation of the WG-members have provoked this decision. As a countermove, a new WG will be initiated to discuss and present proposals related to “dentistry and ageing population”.
- In FDI matters the ERO-board is strictly against the measures proposed by the FDI council in the “governance review”. The democratic role of the General Assembly should not be limited. The General Assembly of FDI is the highest organ in the FDI structure and the decisional power has to stay in this organ. **Please do not accept that other bodies weaken the influence of General Assembly in FDI**
- In the continuity of our work to improve ERO in FDI we have to support our European candidates in their (re)election:
 - Paulo Melo, Sopia Darteville and Vladimer Margvelashvili in Public Health Committee
 - Bedros Yavru-Sakuk in Dental Practice Committee
 - Duygu Ilhan in Communication and member Support Committee
 - Maida Ganibegovic, David Williams and Reinhard Hickel in Science Committee and last but not least
 - Taner Yücel in position of president-elect of FDI

In accordance to FDI rules and respecting all the sensitivities and traditions I invite you,

as ERO-members to support European candidates

They will defend our interests with more background knowledge and European spirit and tradition.



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Important dates:

ERO Bangkok, 23rd September	14 h 15 - 16 h 30	Plenary
	08 h 00 - 09 h 00	ERO board
	09 h 00 - 10 h 30	WG
	10 h 30 - 12 h 00	WG

ERO Baku, 29th and 30th April 2016 Spring plenary session



Old Gdansk

I wish everybody a restful summer-break and hope to meet you all in Bangkok in September.

Kind regards

Philippe Rusca