

## Letter of Intent

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To:

European Regional Organization (ERO) Board

FDI World Dental Federation

**Subject: Letter of Intent for Candidacy – ERO Board**

Dear Members of the ERO Board,

I am honored to submit my candidacy for a position on the European Regional Organization (ERO) Board. Drawing on my extensive experience in clinical practice, academia, and leadership, I am deeply committed to advancing dentistry in Europe through collaboration, education, and policy development.

### **Professional Experience and Leadership**

With over 30 years of experience in dentistry, I have held various leadership roles in the Israel Dental Association (IDA), including General Secretary and Chairman of the Central Committee. Additionally, since 2024, I have served as a member of the Scientific Council of the Israeli Dental Association and on the Executive Committee of its Scientific Council. In these positions, I have led initiatives focused on policy development, professional education, and advocacy for the rights of dentists.

As National Liaison Officer (NLO) to the FDI, I have represented Israel in global discussions, bridging the gap between local and international dental policies. My active involvement in various ERO Committees has deepened my commitment to strengthening European dentistry through knowledge sharing and collaboration.

## Vision and Goals for the ERO Board

If elected to the ERO Board, my focus will be on:

1. Enhancing Cross-Border Collaboration – Strengthening partnerships among national dental associations to harmonize policies on education, ethics, and workforce mobility.
2. Advancing Professional Development – Promoting harmonized dental education standards and expanding opportunities for continuing education, with an emphasis on digital dentistry and emerging technologies.
3. Policy and Advocacy – Supporting initiatives to improve access to dental care, workforce sustainability, and the integration of new technologies in clinical practice.
4. Ethical and Sustainable Dentistry – Advocating for responsible and environmentally friendly dental practices while ensuring patient safety and professional integrity.

## Conclusion

I am eager to bring my experience and dedication to the ERO Board, working alongside esteemed colleagues to strengthen the dental profession in Europe. I appreciate your time and consideration and welcome the opportunity to further discuss my candidacy.

Sincerely,

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