

Dear ERO FDI President, Dear ERO FDI Board members and Delegates of ERO FDI Plenary Session. My name is Azamat Baigulakov; I am a Past President and NLO of Kazakhstan Stomatological Association.

I am applying to the ERO FDI Board and I have several reasons for that:

1. I have a Dental Diploma, a Master's Degree, a PhD, I practice as an orthodontist, and my experience in clinical dental practice is already 25 years;
2. I can communicate effectively in English, as I've been teaching in English at the Medical University since 2001, and I am also responsible for the international cooperation of the Kazakhstan Stomatological Association, being NLO in FDI and ERO FDI since 2013;
3. I have experience in project management related to dental practice, as I am the founder of private dental clinics in Karaganda city with a dental team providing all types of dental services;
4. From 2015 to 2017 as KSA President I dealt with dental and professional legislation, ethics, education, community oral health. We organized numerous dental events of KSA. FDI Presidents and many other FDI and NDAs members from different countries attended these events;
5. Since 2013, as a KSA NLO, I've participated in the FDI General Assemblies, ERO FDI Plenary Sessions, and in Neighboring Countries Dental Associations' Collaboration Platform Meetings. After these meetings, I translated, published and reported to the dentists of Kazakhstan all this valuable information about FDI Policy Statements, management, and advocacy in the field of dentistry.
6. From 2021 to 2024 as a member of the FDI Dental Practice Committee I participated in offline and online meetings, was involved in the development of FDI Policy Statements, Advice Sheets, FDI Projects and introduced the FDI Vision to dentists in Kazakhstan and other NDAs.
7. As a member of ERO FDI Continuing Dental Education Working Group I participated at the meetings of the group during ERO FDI Plenary Sessions.
8. I am involved in organizing Committee of ERO FDI Plenary Session 2025, which will be in Almaty city in Kazakhstan.

I am confident that if I were elected to the ERO FDI Board, I would actively participate in the ERO FDI Board's activities, in organizing ERO FDI Plenary Sessions, actively participate at the ERO FDI Working Groups activities to improve collaboration of Dental Associations of Post-Soviet countries with European Dental Association in the field of Continuing Dental Education and Integration of Dental Practice. I would show a high level of energy and enthusiasm, trying my best to exceed your expectations to improve the quality of dental services and to improve the oral health in our countries.

Thank you for considering my application.