

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report on the activities of 2023

Country: *EUROPE in general*

Association: *European Society of Dental Ergonomics (ESDE)*

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes

in the association and its organisation

no changes

Trends and developments:

in professional politics

If an ergonomic dental curriculum could have been followed nowadays the former student enters too often a dental environment that was created in the past. So, interaction between dental organisations and universities should be organised to learn from each other

in health and social politics

As current studies show, there is a great need to reduce musculoskeletal disorders within the dental team in order to avoid reduced ability to work or even occupational disability

in educational politics

*We would like to urge the need of dental ergonomics in the dental student's education because we think that this issue is not considered enough at most Universities in Europe
in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes)*

Corporate Dentistry

position of NDA towards dental chains

problems with dental chains

If working in a dental office provided by an organisation and if because of that the self control possibilities are hampered, we know from studies that the balance between load and capacity of the employee might be compromised

possible solutions

Provide and actively support in dental chain offices room for self organisation within the larger frame work

Changes in fees: no changes

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

Further information (activities):

What are your 3 main concerns?

- 1. To implement national organisations that deal with dental ergonomics*
- 2. To inform colleagues about healthy working conditions*
- 3. To implement national curricula about dental ergonomics at the universities*

3 points you would like to discuss

- 1. What role does occupational sustainability play in ERO?*
- 2. Does ERO see it as their task to try to contribute to improve the health of the dental team?*
- 3. What instruments can be used by national organisations to promote occupational health and reduce occupational diseases in the dental profession?*