

2. Main Concerns

Please list the three most important concerns currently facing your association.

a) Negotiations with the National Health Insurance Carriers regarding the funding of alternatives to dental amalgam.....

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b) Political advocacy for public oral health (especial the public funding of dental hygiene for children)

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c) Legal and political measures against Corporate Dentistry

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3. Key Discussion Points

Please indicate three topics or issues you would like to discuss at international level.

a) Legal and political measures against Corporate Dentistry

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b) Public Oral Health strategies (eg dentistry for the elderly, dental prevention).....

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c) Funding of public dentistry

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4. Trends and Developments

Please describe relevant trends and developments in the following areas:

a) Professional Politics

None.....

b) Health and Social Politics

The new Austrian government entered office in March 2025. One of its main goals is to set a reform agenda in the public health sector, since the public insurance carriers have a large budget deficit. However, to this day it remains unclear how this will affect public and private dentistry.

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c) Educational Politics

None.....

d) Insurance System

(including public health insurance and private insurance schemes)

Negotiations with the public health insurance about an alternative for dental amalgam have been difficult. Until the end of 2025, the Austrian Dental Chamber was able to find a solution with only one out of three Austrian public health insurance agencies.

The Austrian Dental Chamber was able to negotiate one pilot programme with one out of three Austrian public health insurance agencies about dental prevention.....

