



**ERO Working Group
“Relations Between Dental
Practitioners and Universities”**

Collaboration Between NDAs and
Dental Faculties

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Meeting today



Activities since Shanghai meeting

Four online meetings
to design
the questionnaire
and organise
data collection



Plan for 2025/2026

Proceed with the running topic Step 2.

- Compile a list of universities (names and e-mail addresses of professors, responsible for dental curriculum)
- Reorganise and circulate the questionnaire to faculties

Aims

- This questionnaire aims at assessing the extent, quality, and potential opportunities for collaboration between dental faculties and National Dental Associations (NDAs) from the universities' perspective
- Formulation of specific recommendations for action

Results to date

- › Questionnaire has been compiled
- › Circulated using
 - help from ADEE
 - help from Turkish Dental Association;
 - personal contacts to universities

56 responses from dental schools in 22 countries in the European region of FDI

Thank you very much for participation!

Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, North Macedonia, Norway, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom; and Uzbekistan. (n=22/41)

Next steps

1. Ongoing data collection
2. Data processing
3. Presentation of final results in 2027
4. Formulation of specific recommendations for action and publishing the results.



Thank you!