



ERO Working group – Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry REPORT – Plenary session 2016 – Baku

ERO WG Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry would like to report that;

- The result of the collaborative work of the WG, questionnaire aimed to evaluate dental practitioners attitudes and self assessment of their dental education regarding the oral and general health integrity in a multidisciplinary approach with 2254 participants from the ERO member NDAs was presented during the ERO Plenary Session in Tbilisi. The questionnaire results revealed that raised awareness of dental profession and clarified bilateral relationship between oral health and general health would lead to build collaborations and synergies between different professional partners such as medical profession and related associations.
- By highlighting the results of the evaluated questionnaire, the statement on Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry was presented and adopted at the ERO Plenary Session in FDI2015 AWDC, Bangkok.

Activities of the WG Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry will continue to finalise as below mentioned;

1. Proceeding towards the action plan to step following the adoption of the statement during the ERO Plenary Session in Bangkok, within the approval of the ERO Board, a new Project can be a frame program to be used for congresses. A proposal of lecture topic template about medical topics related with oral items will be shared within the ERO countries. These topics will include the most preferred and identified topics regarding the questionnaire results. WG members will be asked for their comments and recommendations to draw the template draft. The template will then be presented to Plenary session in Baku and asked to be suggested and circulated to NDAs of the member ERO countries for inclusion in their CE activities or NDA congresses and may acknowledge ERO-FDI. As being the volunteer contributors we believe that the recent development of the route on continuing education regarding the multidisciplinary approach to maintain oral health as an integral part of general health will assure the awareness as a solid state through ERO's strength and willing to raise it further.
2. The draft of the report /editorial letter of the statement of the WG presented in Bangkok will be shared with the WG members for the submission to IDJ and finalized during the meeting in Baku.
3. In the recent plenary sessions WG Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry has presented the widely detailed,descriptive and comparative draft of the accreditational "**framework**" for providers which can later be available on

the ERO website to create an international standard guideline for the accreditation of the providers. As strongly desired and highlighted by the supervisor of the WG; Taner Yucel has mentioned ERO to be an accreditational body for CE programmes at ERO level. Although there are existing accreditational bodies both on the national and European levels, there is a need to establish a “pre-accreditation” step to guide through ERO-wide. Thus the already initialised framework of the WG members is aimed to constitute ERO as a guide on the pre-accreditation procedure with a concise pre-accreditation guide that will be presented as it’s final phase ready to be published in the ERO Website.

Proceeding with all participating members confirmation of ERO WG Continuing Medical Education in Dentistry, I would like to mention all the above mentioned topics will be discussed during the WG meeting scheduled during the ERO Plenary Session in Baku.

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