

## Regional European Organisation of the FDI

### National Report

Country: ARMENIA

Association: The ARMENIAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

Venue: Yerevan Year: 2018

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

### Changes

Following the death of ADA President Dr Asot GEVORGYAN, Prof Dr. Lazar YESSAYAN has been elected as the New President and Prof. Dr. Bedros YAVRU-SAKUK as the Chairman of the ADA Foreign Relations.

The Acting Board of Directors of the ADA has remained the same.

# Trends and developments:

In professional politics: Immediate Re-groupment and Re-unification of distant members has been initiated as well as the formation of the new working groups based on the example of the FDI...e.g. WG Quality, WG Dental Practice, WG. Science....

In health and social politics: New Efforts to Stress the importance of Oral Health for General Health.

*In educational politics:* Review of the list of the Continuing Education Courses, Addition of New Courses done.

In the insurance system: Government subsidized Dental Coverage exists however tariffs should be revised and increased according to the inflation. Private Dental Insurance exists but being too expensive, it is not affordable for the majority of the population.

In dental care for persons applying for asylum or refugees: Creation of a WG of Voluntary Dentists ready to treat for free without Any Discrimination ALL accepted Asylum people and Refugees.

# Corporate Dentistry

In Armenia we don't have any dental chains, that way we don't know what kind of problems can be and what kind of solutions we can recommend.



Changes in fees: Changes in tariffs: fees slightly increased by 10%, due to inflation and changes in the tax policy of the country (based on tariffs dated 10 years ago).

### Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

Preparation, Printing and Distribution of educational Flyers on the Importance of Daily Oral Hygiene and Regular Dental Check-Ups to catch and treat in time any dental problem.

National TV Advertisements, for the same purposes, based on the Principle that Prevention is More Important than Treatments

Further information (activities): Evaluating Quality of treatments in Government Dental Clinics as Well as Private Ones and Decide Ways and Means to Improve it.

### What are your 3 main concerns?

- The high number of newly graduates dentists from the State as Well as Private Universities.
- A New Law forcing ALL Dentists to provide All Medical and Dental data of the patients to the Centralized Health Ministry Centre.

The Dentists and the Patients of Armenia are completely against this requirement.

- To provide dental care in the most underserved areas of Armenia.

## 3 Points that you would like to discuss:

- Possibility of writing a letter from ERO to the Health Ministry of Armenia explaining the need for a controlled number of new dental graduates per year.
- Sharing the European Therapeutic as well as Prosthodontics Protocols Manuals among All ERO Member Countries
- Existence / Possibility of Equivalency of Dental Diplomas and Licenses Among European Countries.