Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: *Austria*
Association: *Austrian Dental Chamber*
Venue: *GA Frankfurt*   **Year:** *2019*

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes
in the association and its organisation:

President of Austrian Dental Chamber MR Dr. Horejs is now also president of Austrian organisation of liberal professions.

Trends and developments:
in professional politics
In order to help young dentists to a better start into dentistry new forms of job-sharing were created in 2018.
in health and social politics
Government wants to introduce primary health care centres for all medical branches (with the exemption of dentistry!) concentrated in regional centres, because doctors are less willing to open offices in rural areas.
in educational politics
A new private university for dentistry (Sigmund Freud University) was opened in Vienna.
in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes)
No new developments
in dental care for persons applying for asylum or refugees
No new developments

Corporate Dentistry
position of NDA towards dental chains

Austrian dental chamber is convinced that dentistry should be patient centred and not be driven by economic considerations. Therefor we support that dental care is offered in dental offices, that are owned and managed by dentists themselves, and strongly oppose the creation of dental chains in Austria.

problems with dental chains

As there are – also due to our resistance – up to now no dental chains in Austria, we cannot report about problems with dental chains.

possible solutions

Changes in fees:

Dental fees inside social security system were raised by 2,51% in 2019.

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

World Oral Health Day was promoted twice in our national dental journal ("Österreichische Zahnärzte-Zeitung").

Further information (activities):

What are your 3 main concerns?

3 points you would like to discuss