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European Society of Dental Ergonomics ESDE Who we are



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Objectives

Collection, analysis, making applicable and distribution of existing knowledge in the field of ergonomics in dentistry



Founded in 1987 as a successor of the former FDI working group "Ergonomics and Hygiene". It was a small group of specialists who dealt with dental ergonomics.



Until 1998 ESDE was an umbrella organization with limited number of representatives of national working groups in dental ergonomics in Europe.

Than the Bylaws have been changed so that European dentists and in in dental ergonomics interested persons can become member without numerical limitation.



ESDE supported national working groups of dental ergonomic in founding procedures, e.g. in Portugal and Romania. With congresses in European countries local groups could be promoted and many dental professionals could be reached.



Until 2015 there was a more or less continuous financial support by sponsors from the dental industry. With changing in the sponsoring philosophy of the companies this support ended unfortunately.

That resulted in leaving the former principle of Annual Meetings of ESDE and looking for opportunities to cooperate with other organizations in performing congresses.

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ESDE's Meetings

1987 Kirchen/Sieg	- Foundation Meeting	2005 Benshei	m	
1988 Besancon	- 1 st Annual Meeting	2006 Porto		
1989 Padua		2007 Constan	ta - 20 th Δn	nual Meeting
1990 Bensheim		2008 Desenza		indai mootiing
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1991 Salzburg		2009 Cracow		
1992 Bologna	- 5 th Annual Meeting	2010 Ghent		
1993 Munich		2011 Biberach		
1994 Barcelona		2012		
1995 The Hague		2013 Sofia	- 25 th An	nual Meeting
1996 Prague		2014 Vilnius		
1997 Copenhagen	- 10 th Annual Meeting	2015		
1998 Milan		2016 Wroclaw		
1999 Salzburg		2017		
2000 –		2018		
2001 Dresden		2019 Chia	in cooperation	n with AIO
2002 Piestany	- 15 th Annual Meeting			
2003 Koblenz				

Future

We believe that the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders among dentists and practice staff must be the reason to educate and research about it in order to create better conditions for future generations of dental professionals.

Future

The idea that the subject was only relevant at a time when dentists work was switched from standing to sitting is misleading.

The equipment of a dental practice and the modern instruments of practice organization increasingly represent a challenge for the design of work processes and must be viewed from the point of view of work life balance.

Future

We see it as the responsibility of practice managers and universities, but also of associations and organizations, to create conditions that minimize work-related illnesses.

Future

The very different framework conditions in the European countries must be taken into account. Good cooperation and networking at European level is therefore necessary, and Ergonomics must not be any longer an issue only for idealists.

Future

We see an opportunity for ERO to support ESDE and are looking forward to a fruitful cooperation

Thank you!