

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: *AUSTRIA*

Association: *Austrian Dental Chamber*

Venue: *ERO Plenary*

Year: *2014*

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

I. *Changes in the association and its organisation.*

No changes since the last report

II. *Trends and developments:*

- *in professional politics;*

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- *in health politics;*

Austrian minister of health promised orthodontic treatment (on a fixed or removable basis) free of charge for all minors before national election in September 2013.

After the election this promise was reduced to all minors who will need orthodontic treatment (IOTN classes 4 and 5). Austrian Dental Chamber

and national social security system have to find a solution how this promise could be realized within the budget available, tough talks to be expected which have to be finished by the end of 2014.

- *in educational politics;*

Though there are some discussions about the introduction of the dental specialty of orthodontics, Austria will also for the next future stick to our system of general dentistry without recognized specialties.

- *in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes).*

Fees inside the national social security system were raised by 1,83% with 2014

III. Further information (activities, concerns).