

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: ITALY

Association: ITALIAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION (AIO)

Venue: CAGLIARI

Year: 2014

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

I. Changes in the association and its organisation.

AIO Board after elections on November 24th 2013:

Dr. Pierluigi Delogu	President (re-elected)
Dr. Angelo Raffaele Sodano	Secretary general
Dr. Enrico Lai	Treasurer (re-elected)
Dr. Fausto Fiorile	Vice-president
Dr. Marzia Segù	Secretary for CE
Dr. Gerhard Konrad Seeberger	Delegate for Foreign Affairs (re-elected)

The new AIO website, launched in December 2013, is still the most visited dental website in Italy and links now to all websites of the local AIO branches.

I. Trends and developments: - in professional politics;

- Dental workforce is still increasing in Italy. The negative aspects of a plethora of dentists are becoming more significant, especially in times of economic crisis. AIO's principle "Quality instead of quantity" has been the guiding spirit at the ministerial "Dental Table", where dentists, hygienists, dental laboratory technicians and dental industry and distributors are among the stakeholders.
- in health politics; Funding of oral care (LEA = Level of Essential Assistance) is available for children from age 0-14, for vulnerable groups due to health or social conditions and for dental emergencies for all citizens.
- in educational politics;

AIO has received ISO certification as a *Provider for CE in Medicine*. The Association is about to become a *Standard Provider for the System of CE of the Italian Ministry of Health*.

- **AIO has organized more than 200 CE events for more than 8000 participants and supplying more than 65000 CE credits in 2013.**
- in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes).
No big changes, **Professional insurance has still not become mandatory.**

II. Further information (activities, concerns).

AIO's prevention program "Gli alleati della prevenzione" (The allied of prevention) continues next in the cities of Rome, Bari, Brindisi and Taranto. The program aims at the promotion of oral health in dental practices and is based on the *Guidelines for prevention* of Italian Ministry

The next international Congress is planned for June 2015 in Sardinia.