

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: Denmark

Association: Danish Dental Association

Venue: Copenhagen Year: 2011

I. Changes in the association and its organisation

New president

Dr. Freddie Sloth-Lisbjerg was elected president of The Danish Dental Association in November 2011. The election period is 3 years.

International representation

The former president, Dr. Susanne Andersen, who stepped down as president in November 2011, has been appointed *International Liaison Officer* for the coming year.

II. Trends and developments

- In professional politics

General Election

After the Danish general election was won by a left-center coalition, the new minister of health is the 28 year old Astrid Krag, who is from the Peoples Socialist Party. The minister has started a discussion about social inequality in health, where public contribution to dental care is a major political issue.

- In health politics

Patients with rare congenital diseases

The Danish Dental Association has been in dialogue with politicians in order to obtain funding for dental treatment of patients with rare congenital diseases affecting oral health e.g. hypohidrotic ectodermal dysplasia, osteogenesis imperfecta and Ehlers-Danlos syndrome.

- In educational politics

N/A.

- In the insurance system

N/A

III. Further information

Diabetes and dental health

In a joint-venture with the Danish Diabetes Association a major campaign to identify and track undiagnosed diabetics has been launched nationwide.