

ERO Plenary Session

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Tasks of the WG ERO Parity

- to collect and compare information
- to analyze the situation of dental practices
- to examine the expenditure and income of dentists

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Chairpersons:

- Simona Dianišková, Slovakia
2004 – 2007
- Anna Lella, Poland
2007 - 2009

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Members of the WG




the list was changing slightly

- Simona Dianiskova, Slovakia
- Anna Lella , Poland
- Bedros Yavru-Sakuk, Armenia
- Jörg Krainhöfner, Austria
- Vesna Barac-Furtinger, Croatia
- Gerhard Seeberger, Italy
- Edoardo Cavalle, Italy
- Bartholomeo Griffa, Italy
- Rodica Aldica, Romania
- Voicu David, Romania
- Ralf Wagner, Germany

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Activities


- Meetings of WG members
- Questionnaires
 - cost analysis
 - investments
 - expenses for materials
 - organization of dental practices
 - age structure
 - working time
- Responses to individual requests for specific information
- Accessibility to dental care and the allocation of public funds

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Results of the surveys

- qualifications of European dentists are on the same level (automatically recognized between the EU Member States)
- dental materials and working techniques used by the dentists are on a similar level in European countries
- differences occur when it comes to the evaluation of dentists' work and the prices and reimbursements for dental care



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Results of the surveys

- movement of dentists and patients proves that the main differences that are observed relate to economical factors
- movement of dentists from the new EU Member States is not as huge as expected
- movement of patients ("dental tourism") is more visible - patients search for dental care that is cheaper, but still of high quality

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CONCLUSIONS

- sources of reliable information, e.g.:
 - recently updated "EU Manual of Dental Practice"
 - other publications
 - study by CECD0
 - messages on WHO side
- **the WG Parity has fulfilled its task and it is time to dissolve it.**



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**Thank you for your attention
and many thanks for engagement
in the activities of the ERO WG Parity**

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