

## **Regional European Organisation of the FDI**

### **National Report**

**Country: Netherlands**

**Association: KNMT**

**Venue: Orteliuslaan 750 Utrecht**

**Year: 2018**

*There are no Significant Changes  
in the association and its organisation*

*Trends and developments:*

*Change in the position of dental hygienists in the Netherlands.*

*Intention of the Minister of Health in the Netherlands amounts to the following: Dental hygienist with a four year training at a School of Higher Vocational Education will be qualified to use local anaesthesia, make X-rays, and make small fillings (primary cavities), independent from a dentist. Therefore without supervision from- or under the authority of a dentist. Dental hygienists who comply with the four-year training will be able to have themselves registered as "Registered Dental Hygienist". The execution of the intention of the Minister of Health does not need an adaptation of the Health Professions Act (Wet BIG). A decision of the government is sufficient. The new system takes the form of an experiment that will last for five years starting the first of January 2020.*

*It goes without saying that KNMT will try anything she can do to oppose and change the situation.*

*Changes in fees: a 2,74% rise starting Januari 1 2018*

*Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day: No information*