



Woman in Dentistry

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Among dentists in Europe the growing proportion of women is constantly, in some countries today, talking about dentistry as a female profession. Changing demographics in the workforces will inevitably lead to changes in the profession, as noted in the umbrella organization of European dentist, ERO, and has established a working group Women in dentistry, in order to collect data and detect possible, but the expected changes.

Using only the written questionnaire, data were collected, and after four years of follow-up established the absolute increase in female dentist among dentists, as well as among students. Comparing the movement with other university disciplines, the requested data on the progress of the profession and working position, we obtained the similar results.

As result it was noted 6 points that distinguish the position of women in the profession

- Professional development
- Specialisations
- Positions on the decision making level in the associations/chambers councils
- Careere and positions on the educational proces
- Incomes
- Retirement

After five years of data collection imposed the logical conclusion is the need to use the data collected.

Woman in Dentistry would like to invite the National Associations, ERO members, to take part in **non-profit** project "**WiD-net**".

The aim of WiD-net project is to **sharing professional experience**, and could help female colleagues to optimize their career.

VISION

- The concept behinde the project is to collect the data and professional expirience about key points, and make the data and information available to the dentists.

First step:

1. Targeted questionnaire on observed points.
2. Consolidation of all results on one site (2012)
3. Publication of books/booklets (electronic form) with the results, and contact addresses of organized groups of women dentists in Europe (2013)

Executors

Under the guidance of a member of WG WID, national associations and organized groups of women dentists who now participate in the Section Woman dentists worldwide at the level of FDI.

Funding:

The project begins volunteer, and sponsors we searched among the usual sponsors who cover our work