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The following principles reflect the standard of professional conduct and ethics which underpin high quality dental care and services throughout Europe. They have been developed by the Council of European Dentists, which represents national dental organisations from the EU Member States and other European countries. These are general principles that underpin the codes in the individual Member States. They reflect the diversity of the dental profession and the needs of the public. They are intended to be consistent with the national codes of that country and respect

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## For the Telemachus Among Us

**Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney, Editor ICD European Section**

With the memories of last summer's wonderful meeting in Athens still vivid, I am reminded of a Greek legend that recounts the story of Telemachus, the young future king who had the fortuity to learn the intricacies and responsibilities of leadership from a wise elder. This elder's tutelage approach, distinguished by compassion and insight, has become synonymous with his name: Mentor.

Today's dental school graduate enters a profession in which idealism and the desire to heal human suffering - the motivation behind the entry into our profession - may be tested with the contradictions and perplexities ubiquitous in the world of modern dentistry. By serving as mentors in the tradition of the noted Greek tale, ICD fellows can impart reliable counsel at a pivotal time when emerging professionals need to make choices based on experience and knowledge, and not on chance. Here are a few suggestions:

Many Fellows are deans, department chairs, and experienced faculty members. These positions present opportunities to identify and encourage potential academicians who will be responsible for training the next generation of dentists. Invite one or two recent graduates with interests in dental education to accompany you for a day at the university and observe your interaction with students and faculty. Visit research facilities and introduce these eager minds to dental scientists at work. Where possible, attend department meetings together. Be sure to point out the variety of track and advancement options that universities now offer their faculty.

Dentists' initial period in private practice are often occupied with promoters of questionable practice management courses, miraculous products, and simplified techniques; usually with the promise of handsome financial rewards. Conflicts emerge between the ethical ideals that seemed so unequivocal

during training and the realities of everyday practice. A nascent dentist spending time in your clinic will not only gain the knowledge of your well-honed dental techniques, but come to understand how ICD Fellows maintain offices with high ethical standards, state of the art therapy and, yes, still show a profitable bottom line. All of this is accomplished while preserving the unique relationship of trust and mutual respect, coupled with the encouragement of candid discussions of treatment options that are fundamental doctrine for ICD dentists.

We need outstanding young professionals who can, in due course, take up the mantles of leadership in organized dentistry. Leaders are cultivated by using a dove-tailed process of learning and experience based on succeeding in ever-increasing and challenging responsibilities within our organizations. ICD Fellows, today's leaders, should endeavor to ensure that the best and brightest of this new generation will become inspired and decide that dentistry is worthy of their organizational and leadership skills. Finding a meaningful committee assignment or special project for a promising leader, initiates the process, which, followed by your sustained guidance, continues to provide leadership opportunities along the way.

Be it in academics, private practice, or organized dentistry, optimally we serve our patients and our profession when International College of Dentists' core values function as our road map and touchstone. An ICD mentor can promulgate these essential values to our newest colleagues and, in so doing, facilitate a hopeful future for the dental profession and a commendable professional life for the Telemachus among us.





## New Journal Design

I want to thank you for sending me a copy of your Journal. It is an outstanding publication.

The use of color, the quality of the stock, the matted paper, the topics and writing, the layout and design all come together to make it a pleasing experience for the reader. You have given us all a new bar to which we should aspire. Congratulations.

*Rich Galeone*  
USA Section Editor  
Landsale, Pennsylvania, USA

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of the ICDIGEST. It is a magnificent publication and I congratulate you and the others involved on this fine issue.  
Again, great job!

*Leon Aronson*  
USA Section Councilman  
Savannah, Georgia, USA

This week I received the ICDIGEST and read it from cover to cover. Congratulations! You have taken the European Section's publication to the next level with serious content and your use of color. The dental education article is very, very interesting. The bottom line is this: you have successfully captured in print the impressive spirit and momentum of the European Section that those of us from the U.S. perceived when we attended the Cardiff Meetings. My compliments to you, Frans, and all... you guys have really got it going over there!

*Jack Hinterman*  
ICD Editor  
Flint, Michigan, USA

I have thoroughly enjoyed reading the recently arrived ICDIGEST it is a publication of which you and the College should be rightly proud. The layout is better than ever and the features are spot-on.

*Dame Margaret Seward*  
Past Editor European Section  
Bournemouth, Dorset, England

You have really raised the ICDIGEST to the level of a proper journal, as fitting a respectable organization like ICD-and it needed that. Also, I feel so much prouder of the European Section when I read it as we seem to be DOING a few things! I always felt we were very poor in the projects direction, but somehow, you have made it seem much more positive.

*Cecil Linehan*  
Editor, ICD "The College Today"  
Helen's Bay, N. Ireland

Just received the new ICDIGEST and I have to tell you immediately how immensely impressed I am.  
This is a huge step forward in quality, interest, information and all we love about the ICD.

*Peter Pré*  
Past President European Section  
Paris, France

What an excellent ICDIGEST! The format, color and content are just first class and each page radiates, indeed, sparkles with friendship and collegiality.

*Phillip Dowell*  
Past President European Section  
Milford, Surrey, UK

Yesterday the ICDIGEST 2008 arrived in my office. I was deeply impressed. Some patients had to wait for a while because I looked through it immediately. The layout is much more modern and it invites everyone to read it.

*Wolfgang Bockelbrink, Regent for Germany*  
Munich, Germany

## Who We Are

I wish to congratulate you for the excellent ICDIGEST 2008 and thank you for sending me a copy. I enjoyed reading it. "Who We Are" (the Editor's Column) taught me about the European Section and Europe.

*Manfred Seidemann*  
ICD Vice President  
Santiago, Chile

## Fellow of Note

This is just to express my warmest thanks for recognizing me as Fellow of Note in the ICDIGEST, 2008. I consider it a great honor as I know many other colleagues more deserving than me. Also, please accept my congratulations for an excellent issue. The cover story is impressive and it was a joy to see all of the Districts' activities and to realize once more how the contribution of the ICD European Section is significant to our profession.

*Meropi Spyropoulos*  
Athens, Greece

It is with great pleasure that I read the latest issue of the ICDIGEST and, in particular, the article about that special woman from Athens. We call each other "brother and sister" and ortho twins, as we were born only 5 days apart and have been great friends and professional colleagues for many years. She is most deserving of your Fellow of Note recognition.

*Jean Pierre Joho*  
Geneva, Switzerland

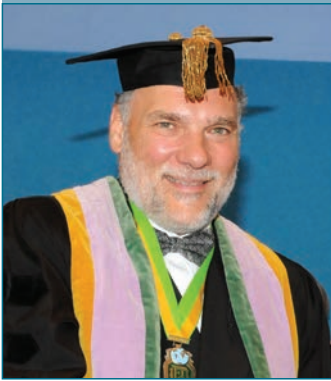
## Past Presidents List

(In the listing of the Past Presidents) The 1994 Congress was in Jerusalem, not, as written, in England. The Congress was organized by Gerald Woodcliff, who was living in England.

*Heinz Lässig, Past President European Section*  
Ottobrunn, Germany

*Editor: The introduction to the list of Past Presidents points out that the Presidents' home countries usually are the same location as the Annual Meeting. As you astutely pointed out, 1994 was one of the exceptions.*

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E-mail to: editor@icd-europe.com



## It is rare in the world we live in, that values are objectively and publicly recognized and furthermore awarded

**Dr. Aris-Petros Tripodakis, Past President ICD Europe**

Allow me to confess, a year ago, having been given the highest honor to serve the European Section of the ICD as President; I felt like an upper central incisor of a beautiful natural dentition! This tooth's prominent position is inevitably charging it with the task of serving the entire dentition; thus, enhancing its function and esthetics while submitting to the lines and rules dictated by the whole.

Therefore, the beautiful and healthy smile of our College would maintain its eminent position as a vital part of our profession's face and body. I wondered how I should face this noble responsibility. I contemplated the realization that the ICD is the genuine fruit of an unconventional and irrational academic perspective and that the current international dental community is in absolute need of the ICD more than ever.

Thus, this meeting's scientific program was designed to bring us to the current structure of our profession, comprehensively exploring in depth, with honesty, the profile of dental discipline. We cannot thank enough our honorable speakers for delivering such remarkable essays.

The continuous growth of the College is confirmed by its lifespan of 81 illustrious years. It has neither been founded on expediency, nor is it nourished by commercialism. Its aim is not at all that of frivolous marketing of science. The core of its existence is simple and authentic. It lies within the fundamental nuclear element of human creativity, in the pursuit of service and excellence. Elegance and moderation are the two basic characteristics of its definition. These characteristics are found in the three words Pan Metron Ariston which define the essence of excellence in ancient Greek philosophy, measured in all things through the perspectives of wisdom and moderation.

The ICD recognizes outstanding professional achievement and awards meritorious service with the honor of fellowship. And in doing so, the difference is made. It is rare in the world we live in that values are objectively and publicly recognized and furthermore, awarded.

The Ceremony that has just been initiated is an existential event for the College, the highlight of our annual meetings

and certainly a moment to remember. The number of outstanding candidates for Fellowship today shows our Section's capacity for growth. Their qualifications make us all very proud and we thank their nominators for having fulfilled this important responsibility of selecting and presenting the candidates. It is very comforting to me as President to face such a remarkable assembly, originating from 30 countries on 5 continents around the world. I wish to thank you all for being present.

### Why the Olive Tree?

*Throughout the Annual Meeting, the ICD logo and the olive tree were joined in graphic harmony: as part of the inauguration ceremony backdrop, as the centerpiece on each Gala Dinner table and imprinted on all brochures and invitations. For those who wondered why the organizing committee paired these symbols, the following is a brief explanation.*

*According to Greek mythology, the goddess Athena competed with Poseidon over who could offer the finest gift to the city. Poseidon hit the Acropolis rock and created a sea water spring for the Athenians, while Athena offered them an olive tree. Because it symbolized wisdom, peace and prosperity, the Athenians preferred the olive tree. So, Zeus gave the city to Athena, naming it after her.*

*The olive tree branch, a universal symbol of peace, harmony and excellence became synonymous with the Olympic Games. Today in Greece, families pass on the revered olive tree from generation to generation. With the birth of a child an olive tree is planted so that both will grow and develop simultaneously. At the age of six, when the child starts school, the olive tree is ready to produce its fruit. The tree grows with the child; except due to its far longer life expectancy, it remains for the next generation.*

*For the people of Greece the olive tree represents man's noblest virtues. The ICD logo represents our motto: Recognizing Service and the Opportunity to Serve; together these coupled symbols created a demonstrable illustration, visible throughout the Athens meeting, of shared values and traditions.*



# ATHENS 2008

## ICD EUROPEAN SECTION ANNUAL MEETING



**U**nder the Presidency of Dr. Aris-Petros Tripodakis, three hundred fellows, inductees and their accompanying persons attended an outstanding 53rd Annual Meeting of the European Section under the warm June summer skies of the Olympic city of Athens.

The Scientific Program explored the latest information on dentistry as a professional health discipline. The “standing room only” audience enjoyed outstanding speakers who presented a wide range of topics that were both intellectually and philosophically stimulating.

Social events were plentiful and ICD comradery clearly demonstrated. Wednesday, Fellows enjoyed a day’s golf at the local Glyfada Golf Club. Thursday everyone was treated with a Welcome Dinner party at the Dionysus restaurant that features a remarkable postcard view of the Acropolis. On Friday, the Accompanying Persons’ Tour split up: The first group toured Athens, including the major historical sites, while others traveled to the beach at the Cape Sounion for a day of sun and relaxation.

That evening, the entire company reunited in Cape Sounion to view the sunset from the Temple of Poseidon. Saturday afternoon the assembly witnessed a unique Induction Ceremony which began with an original video presentation prepared by President Tripodakis. Later, as the inductees were called to receive their Key and Certificate, photographs of each new fellow were projected on two large screens. Two Masters and 52 new Fellows from across Europe, the USA and South Africa were inducted into the College in the Historic Zappion Megaron. A meticulously prepared and beautifully presented Gala Dinner crowned the evening. The gastronomical masterpiece presented under open skies was enjoyed by all, accompanied by an outstanding, thematically varied choral program.

After such a glorious program, many of the participants wanted to continue enjoying the warmth and congeniality of the previous days. So those that could extended their stay, culminating a truly unique experience in Greece, by participating in the delightful Post Conference Island Cruise in the Saronic Gulf.

## The Dental Discipline in Europe in the Dawn of the New Millennium

### "Memorable Quotes"



"The scientific program will bring us to the basics of our profession, critically exploring in depth and honestly the profile of our dental discipline".

**Aris-Petros Tripodakis** Athens, Greece  
Chairman, Scientific Session



"The evolution of dental specialties and sub specialties, the availability of new materials and equipments, are the reasons why dentistry is forced to seek financial support from sources other than the strict academic institutions".

**John A. Vostros** Athens, Greece  
Present Status of Dentistry as a Health Profession



"The consumers become patients whose demands are shaped by their own attitudes, beliefs and desires for esthetics, form and function; and may be modified by their ability to undergo treatment and the cost of such treatment".

**Philip Dowell** Surrey, United Kingdom  
Patients' Dental Awareness, Demands and "Consumerism" and their Influence on Clinical Decision Making



"Dentists might have to submit to the rather glamorous and artificial directions dictated by the media that tend to acquire a universal influence among patients".

**Nitzan Bichacho** Jerusalem, Israel  
The Industry of Esthetics in Dentistry



"Today, there is some concern that EBD and clinical practice tend to fall apart. The dialog between experts in EBD and the experts in practicing dentistry has to be strongly tightened".

**Regina Mericske-Stern** Bern, Switzerland  
The Distance Between Evidence Based Dentistry and Clinical Decision Making



"Presently, there are two areas where we can observe signs of overtreatment, placement of implants and esthetic restorations".

**Asterios Doukoudakis** Athens, Greece  
Overtreatment, an Epidemic?



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“There is limited real clinical research to support new products, the main documentation available cannot predict clinical performance and may even lack scientific relevance”.

**George Eliades** Athens, Greece  
Scientific Documentation, Production and Marketing of Dental Materials and Everyday Treatment Modalities



“Predoctoral clinical experiences in implants have also been developed with substantial educational objectives, didactic, laboratory and clinical experiences”.

**Joerg Strub** Freiburg, Germany  
The Impact of Implantology on Conventional Dentistry. Should undergraduate education focus more on saving teeth or placing implants?



“Your body will require considerable care if you wish to be healthy in old age. The main factors responsible are: genes, diet, exercise and having a partner to share your life. Like it or not, your current marriage will either end in death or divorce...be prepared”.

**Charles Eugster** Zurich, Switzerland  
Life after 40 years of Clinical Dentistry. How you can be healthier, wealthier and happier than you ever imagined



“After 50 years the European Section is now in a position to do something really significant on a planned basis to improve dental standards in the developing world. But planning takes time”.

**Cecil Linehan** Belfast, Ireland  
The Role of the International College of Dentists in the Dental World



“First I turn to our President, Dr. Tripodakis. Aris, you have challenged cherished paradigms and time-honored principles ...and for this we are better; better as dentists and better as colleagues. By discussing our differences, we discovered the harmony in our professional ideals”.

**Sheldon Dov Sydney** Raanana, Israel  
The Open Forum







Below: (left to right) Master of Ceremonies Andreas Tsoutsos, inductees waiting to be called to receive their fellowships, President Antonio Tavares places the presidential pin on the lapel of Past President Aris-Petros Tripodakis.



## The ICD European Section Fellowship Class of 2008



**Doron Aframian**  
Israel



**Giulio Alessandri Bonetti**  
Italy



**Bjorn Anderson**  
Denmark



**Joao Aquino**  
Portugal



**Wolfgang Bartling**  
Germany



**Burt Bos**  
Netherlands



**Guido Bosselaers**  
Belgium



**Paolo Brunamonti Binello**  
Italy



**Hans de Bruyn**  
Belgium



**Jason Burns**  
UK



**Ingrida Cema**  
Latvia



**Esmonde Corbet**  
Hong Kong



**Petros Damoulis**  
USA



**Jean Paul Demajo**  
Malta



**Gilles Demolon**  
France



**Sophie-Myriam Dridi**  
France





**Ioannis Fakitsas**  
Greece



**Hani Farr**  
Austria



**Pavlos Garefis**  
Greece



**Alexandros Grous**  
Greece



**Erminija Guzaitiene**  
Lithuania



**Damir Jelusiae**  
Croatia



**Jaime Jimenez**  
Spain



**Phophi Kamposiora**  
Greece



**Nick Katsikeris**  
Greece



**Heinz Kniha**  
Germany



**Corinne Lallam-Laroye**  
France



**Theodoros Lambrianidis**  
Greece



**Fabrice Macheret**  
Switzerland



**Nicola Macris**  
Italy



**Regina Mericske-Stern**  
Switzerland



**Giovannino Muci**  
Italy



**Jerome Mullane**  
Ireland



**Katalin Nagy**  
Hungary



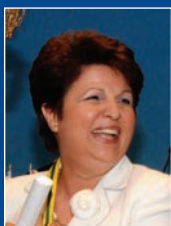
**Maria Nassika**  
Greece



**Ylva Nilsson**  
Sweden



**Peter Owen**  
South Africa



**Lisa Papagiannoulis**  
Greece



**George Papavassiliou**  
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**Frederic Philippart**  
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**Maria Grazia Piacino**  
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**Alexandra Sklavounou**  
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**Anders Skoglund**  
Sweden



**Mireille Soffner**  
Netherlands



**Ole Staehr-Jakobsen**  
Denmark



**Jorg R. Strub**  
Germany



**Konstantinos Tsiklakis**  
Greece



**Richard Vaughan**  
UK



**Joseph Xuereb**  
Malta



# Social Program



**House Calls** Early arrivals to Athens were hosted at the home of Dr. Aris-Petros and Jane Tripodakis in the historic town of Marathon, named for the famous battle in 490 BC and the dramatic effort of the Athenian soldier who inspired the "marathon" Olympic race.

Below: (left to right) Welcomed by our President: Frank Shields followed by Shelagh Farrell; Peter and Sabine Brandstatter; and Joe and Edna Lemasney.



## In the Shadows of History

With the imposing Acropolis in the background, attendees enjoyed the first two nights dining with old friends and the opportunity to make new acquaintances.



**Irish Cheer** Regent Tom Feeney (center) with some of his District's participants.



**Friends from the States** The Section was honored by the presence of USA Section Officers; (left to right) Counselor Chuck Simmons and his wife Alice; Editor Richard Galeone and his wife Carolyn.







**Ascending to the Temple of Poseidon** A rare opportunity to view a spectacular sunset marked the beginning of Hellenic night. Both variety and abundance characterized the culinary delights.



**Presidential Line-up** Past European Section Presidents from left to right: Jamie Gil 2000, Peter Pre 2004, Andreas Tsoutsos 1993, President of the College Norinaga Moriyama, Phillip Dowell 2007, Anders Eriksson 2005, Aris-Petros Tripodakis 2008, Peter Kotschy 1997 and Joe Lemasney 2003.

**Italian Dining** Regent Corrado Paganelli (center standing) shares a table with some of his country's participants.



**Outstanding Performers** The exhilarating Greek dancing demonstration and competition for best foreign dancers was the highlight of the Friday evening event.





**Historic Setting** The Peristilion of the Zappeion Megaron (the location for the most momentous ceremonial events in Greece) was the magnificent venue for the Gala Dinner.



**Keeping Tablemates in Good Spirits:**

(Clockwise from the top) Regent for Switzerland Dr. Philippe Hediger (left); President Elect Antonio Tavares (2nd from left) next to his wife Isabelle; (center) Jaime Gil Spain's Regent; Scandinavia Regent Henrik Harmsen (standing) shares a light moment with Past Editor Cecil Linehan; Walter Van Driel Regent for Benelux (right) with new Fellow Mireille Soffner.



**Most Honored** Italy's Vice Regent Mauro Labanca with our very special guests: ICD President Norinaga Moriyama with his wife Reiko. Their warm presence and inspiring words were very much appreciated.

**Tribute to President Tripodakis** ►► a standing ovation for our host.



**Well Deserved** Members of the Athens Meeting Organizing Committee accept tokens of appreciation from Dr. Tripodakis; Left to right; Drs. Andreas Tsoutsos, Heracles Goussias, Argirios Pissiotis, John Tzoutzas, Panagiotis Andritsakis.



**Golf Competition Winner** Gil Alcoforado (right) accepts his award from tournament organizer Ljubo Marion (left) as Aris Tripodakis looks on.





**Extended Stays** Many attendees signed on for the Post Congress cruise expanding their Greek experience, which included touring the islands of Aegina and Hydra.



**Enjoying the Cruise** (left to right) Aris and Jane Tripodakis; Wolfgang Bockelbrink with Peter Kotschy; Phillip Dowell and Frans Kroon.



**Until We Meet Again** After swimming in the beautiful Aegean waters, the group gathers for a final photo before bidding adieu to the Islands, Greece and the truly memorable experiences at the 53rd Annual Meeting in Athens.





## To Ensure Dentists are Practising in Accordance with Robust Professional and Ethical Standards

**Dr. Piret Väli**  
**Claudia Ritter**

**P**atients in Europe must have the assurance that the dentists that treat them - whether at home or abroad - are practising in accordance with robust professional and ethical standards.

This principle also underpins the Council of European Dentists which we update whenever appropriate to reflect developments at EU level - for example increasing cross-border mobility of patients and health professionals, or a new piece of EU legislation.

The Council of European Dentists (CED) is the representative organisation for the dental profession in the EU and other European countries, representing over 300,000 practising dentists through 32 national dental associations. Established in 1961 to advise the European Commission on matters relating to the dental profession, we promote high standards of oral healthcare and effective patient-safety-centred professional practice across Europe.

Our Code of Ethics was first adopted in the early sixties. The most recent update - in 2007 - was the result of intense work involving dentists and legal experts from five EU Member States, and taking account of ethical codes of other organizations.

The CED's Code of Ethics sets out measures designed to clarify patients' rights, protect patient safety and improve the quality of service, and sharing information and good practice. It emphasizes the importance of continuity of care and of a strong dentist-patient relationship, whilst upholding the principle of free choice of practitioner by the patient. Above all, our Code of Ethics fosters professionalism. We believe that quality and safety of healthcare services can best be ensured by having up-to-date minimum training requirements for health professionals; by a commitment to professional practice based on sound scientific

principles and long-term experience; and through continuous professional development.

The principles set out in our Code reflect the standard of professional conduct and ethics which underpin high quality dental care and services throughout Europe. They are general principles and by no means legally binding. The codes in the individual EU Member States supersede, reflecting the different cultures, traditions and needs of the public and patients in the various countries of the EU. But our Code provides an effective framework of reference for European dentists in their cross-border practice. Dentists working in another country should therefore familiarize themselves with its principles, alongside those underpinning the national codes of that country, and respect them.



**Dr. Piret Väli**  
CED Chair  
Task Force on Ethics



**Claudia Ritter**  
Director  
CED Brussels Office

### Editor's Note:

*There is no more fundamental and universally cherished bedrock of our profession than the ethical practice of dentistry. The subject begins to take a prominent role in the earliest moments of one's professional experience when a dental school admissions board considers the perspective student's motivation to become a dentist; and continues throughout a dentist's life as an important measure of one's professional and moral compass. The ICDIGEST takes great pride in being selected to publish the CED's Ethical Code and to promulgate this unique document to ICD Fellows and other dental leaders throughout Europe.*

**Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney**  
Editor  
ICD European Section



## CONTEXT

Against a background of cross-border mobility of patients and health professionals in the European Union and the European Economic Area, there is a need to create a framework of reference for all dentists in their cross-border practice.

The following principles reflect the standard of professional conduct and ethics which underpin high quality dental care and services throughout Europe. They have been developed by the Council of European Dentists, which represents national dental organisations from the EU Member States and other European countries.

These are general principles that underpin the codes in the individual Member States. The national codes reflect the different cultures, traditions and needs of the public and patients in the various countries of the EU. Dentists working in another country should familiarise themselves with the national codes of that country, and respect them.

### 1.1 Purpose and guiding principles of the dental profession.

The purpose and the guiding principles of the dental profession reflect those of all liberal professions and are:

- to contribute to society's wellbeing by promoting the oral health of the community.
- to be dedicated to the promotion of independence, impartiality, professional confidentiality, integrity, honesty, competence and professionalism.
- to promote oral health as part of general health and contribute to ensuring equitable access to dental care.
- to contribute to society special and unique knowledge, professional skills, aptitudes and social values.
- to respect the dignity, autonomy and choices of the patient.
- to act always in the best interests of patients.
- to apply current standards of practice.

## 2. COMMITMENT TO THE PATIENT

2.1 The dentist must consider the patient's best interests as paramount.

2.2 The dentist must safeguard the health of patients, and avoid discriminating against any individual patient or group of patients.

2.3 The dentist must prescribe indicated treatment that is appropriate to the patient's oral health and in accordance with the patient's needs, and not allow external influences to affect their independence or any commercial consideration to influence their care of patients or responsibility towards them.

2.4 The dentist must uphold the principle of free choice of practitioner by the patient.

2.5 Good communication is fundamental to the dentist-patient relationship. The dentist must enable the patient, or the legal representative of the patient, to give informed consent for the treatment that is to be carried out, and must provide information about the proposed treatment, other treatment options, relevant risks, as well as costs, so as to enable the patient to make an informed choice.

2.6 The dentist must inform the patient of any complications or of failed treatment and discuss the options for resolving them.

2.7 The dentist must facilitate continuity of care where treatment of a patient ceases.

2.8 The dentist must endeavour to enable a patient to obtain care from another dentist in the event of conflicts with moral or religious beliefs arising from the request for care, or where the practitioner-patient relationship breaks down and it is neither possible nor appropriate to continue care.

2.9 The dentist must undertake only those treatments that they are competent to perform, and must refer a patient if a recommended treatment is beyond their competence.

2.10 The dentist must at all times strive to justify the confidence of the patient and the public.





2.11 The dentist must do everything possible to enable the patient to have realistic expectations of the outcome of treatment.

2.12 The dentist must respect the right of the patient to complain, respond promptly, actively and openly and try to resolve the issue in the patient's best interests.

2.13 The dentist must comply and co-operate with the national procedures for protecting the public in relation to complaints and conduct.

2.14 The dentist should take out appropriate professional indemnity insurance cover.

2.15 The dentist must subscribe to the key principles of healthcare confidentiality, that is:

- that individuals have a fundamental right to privacy and confidentiality of their health information;
- that individuals have the right to control access to and disclosure of their own health information by giving, withholding or withdrawing consent.

2.16 The dentist must ensure that accurate and relevant medico-dental records are kept and that dental staff are aware of their obligation to maintain confidentiality of patient data. Data must be obtained and processed fairly, for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes and according to data protection principles.

2.17 The dentist must keep all data relating to patients secure. Where data are stored electronically, special security precautions must be taken to prevent access from outside the premises during electronic transfer procedures or remote maintenance of the system.

2.18 The dentist must transmit patient data to third parties only when it is justified by the consent of the patient or where it is required by legal provisions. Records must be kept of all data passed on to third parties.

### 3. COMMITMENT TO THE PUBLIC

3.1 The dentist has a personal responsibility to contribute to the wellbeing of society by virtue of having special knowledge and skills.

3.2 The dentist must comply with national law and ethical custom governing the practice of the profession, the use of titles and establishment of dental practice.

3.3 The dentist must operate in compliance with EU and national legislation and the applicable professional code on the promotion and advertising of services, including the promotion and advertising of services using modern media related to the information society.

### 4. PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION

4.1 The dentist must practise according to sound scientific principles and long-term experience.

4.2 When working in a managed environment, the dentist must be free to provide care in the best interest of patients, and to comply with the ethical principles of the profession and sound clinical practise.

4.3 The dentist must assure the quality of patient care by updating his or her professional knowledge and skills throughout his or her entire professional life.

4.4 The dentist must support and promote the professional associations, pass on knowledge, and respect divergences of professional opinion.

4.5 The dentist must not indulge in subjective disparagement of the skills or qualifications of colleagues.

4.6 The dentist must lead and support all members of the oral health team, ensuring that they have the knowledge and skills necessary to undertake their tasks effectively and efficiently and that they work strictly within the national law governing their scope of practice.

4.7 The dentist must employ and work only with individuals who are practising legally.



## 5. ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

5.1 Mandatory provider information on a website:  
A dental website must display the following information about the information service provider:

- the name and geographic address at which the service provider is established.
- the details of the service provider, including his electronic mail address and telephone number (it may also show a fax number).
- the professional title and the country from which that title is derived, where appropriate.
- license and registration information, with the address and other contact details of the competent authorities or have a link to these authorities' websites, where appropriate.

5.2 Requirements for the professional information (commercial communication):

When providing professional information through the internet, dentists must display truthfulness, fairness and dignity. When setting up a website, dentists must ensure that the contents do not contain unprofessional information, especially of an extolling, misleading or comparative nature. All the information on the website must be honest, objective, easily identifiable and conform to any national legislation and code of conduct in the Member State where the dentist is established or temporarily practicing.

a) The professional information (commercial communication) must show the following information:

- the name of the practice, if it has legal status in the Member State where the dentist is established.
- for all dentists providing dental care mentioned on the site:
  - the professional title and country from which their title is derived.
  - license and registration information, with the address and other contact details of the competent authorities or a link to these authorities' websites, where appropriate.
  - the professional rules governing the practice of dentistry in the Member State where the dentist is established and temporarily practising, or the address and other contact details of the competent authorities governing these rules or have a link to these authorities' websites, where appropriate.

A dentist must have regard to professional propriety and the dignity of the profession when establishing a name for the website, or an e-mail address.

When the dentist or other person with responsibility for the information service changes, the name of this person must be removed from the website within one month of the cessation of the responsibility.

The relevant pages must show the date of the latest modification of the page.

When a description of care is given, such information must not be comparative.

b) The following information should be shown on a website:

The admissions or acceptance policy to any sickness fund, national health service or insurance scheme, when these are available at the practice.

c) The following discretionary information may be shown on a website:

- the hours during which the practice may be accessed by telephone or personal visit, if any.
- details of urgent and emergency care available at the practice.
- details of the provision of care by the responsible dentist or other dentists in the practice or at other locations.
- a link to the professional association.
- information that is permitted by the professional rules of the country in which the dentist is established.

If links to other websites are provided, the dentist must ensure that they are relevant and reflect the principles of this code.

d) The following information must not be placed on websites:

Comparison of skills or qualifications of any dentist providing any service with the skills and qualifications of other dentists.





## The pursuit of human values, professional merit and excellence characterizes the ICD

**Dr. Antonio Tavares, President ICD European Section**

### *Editor: How did your interest in dentistry begin?*

Even as a young boy I dreamed of being in the healing arts. I wanted to have the privilege of reducing human suffering. I was the only son of a typical bourgeoisie family. My mother was an Assistant Professor of Biology at the Lisbon University and my father was a Stomatologist. We lived in the same building as his office, so I was greatly influenced by being able to see the transition on the faces of his patients relieved of pain.

At the age of 17, I was admitted to the Lisbon Medical Faculty, specialized in Stomatology and continued to pursue my interests in dentistry.

### *Can you tell us about your work at the university?*

I initiated the Dentistry program at Lisbon University. I enjoyed teaching so much that I decided that I wanted an academic career in addition to my private practice. Establishing the new department of Fixed Prosthodontics at the University was challenging and had some difficult moments. But now, 32 years and thousands of students later, I know that it was the right decision.

### *What was your introduction to ICD and what made you interested in taking a leadership role?*

In 1983, Dr. Gil Alcoforado introduced me to the rules and values of the ICD in Vienna and invited me to join. The induction ceremony was a great moment in my life and I will always remember it with emotion.

The leadership role is a huge responsibility, but it also offers me the chance to serve dentistry at the highest level.

### *What are your goals for your presidency?*

To continue the excellent work that has been done by my predecessors, especially their outstanding annual meetings. The theme of the scientific program in Lisbon 2009 is "The Avenues of Dentistry in Modern Daily Practice". It is a far-reaching subject and I am sure it will be very interesting and a fruitful experience for the participants. With the help of the Board of Regents I would like to implement a contacts list with all fellows, arranged by specialties. I think it will benefit all of us who will then be

able to contact other fellows, or to send a patient to someone skilled in another country.

### *You are active in many organizations. What is special about the ICD?*

Unlike other organizations, the ICD has a unique mission: "Recognizing service and the opportunity to serve." The pursuit of human values, professional merit and excellence characterizes the ICD. Its members, sharing those ideals, are more than ordinary colleagues; they have an authentic fellowship.

### *We know you are very involved in automobile racing. How did you become involved in this sport and what makes it attractive to you?*

Since my teenage years I have been a fan of car racing. When I finished medical school my father, who had always refused to give me a car on the grounds that I could not afford to maintain one, presented me the car of my dreams: a Ford Mustang with 289 horse power.



**Travels in the Fast Lane** Dr. Tavares with former Formula 1 driver and seven-time World champion Michael Schumacher.



A year later, in 1969, I was elected as a board member of the Directors of the Portuguese Automobile Club of Medical Doctors. In 1980, I was elected President of this Automobile Association and Director of the Automobile Club of Portugal.

From 1997 - 2006 I served as President of the Portuguese Motorsport Federation and titular member of FIA (International Motorsport Federation) World Motorsport Council 2005-2009. Motorsport, like other sports is a school of human qualities; self control, discipline, respect for all involved and for the rules. It is a dangerous sport that needs psychological preparation so that all of your senses will be alert, especially when we talk about Formula 1 or the World Rally Championship. It gives me enormous pleasure; despite the huge responsibility I have in the Formula 1 Grand Prix acting as FIA Steward. I have been working for more than ten years in Formula 1; so naturally, I am friendly with the drivers and the team managers. I must confess that all of it is very attractive to me.

## *With all of your responsibilities how does your family feel about you taking on the ICD presidency?*

My family considers it an honor. In the ICD the companionship of our wives and children are welcome, so they feel a part of my position. My wife and daughter like the meetings and they enjoy the opportunity to fraternize with other spouses and attendants.

## *What do you see as the major role for the ICD and the European section in particular within the community of dentists?*

There are dozens of scientifically and socially based professional meetings every year. However, none have the esteemed status, core values, mission, and pursuit of excellence and comradery that is the ICD. That is our distinctive character. Unfortunately, we are not so well known yet in every country, especially in the East. Our work, therefore, must include increased promotion of what we are throughout all of Europe.

## *Would you share with us something about your lifestyle?*

Portugal is a peaceful country with marvelous weather and friendly people and it has been a privilege to grow up in beautiful Lisbon. I reside in the modern part of Lisbon. I work very hard because it is the only way to fulfill my obligations.

During the week I work at the university. In the Faculty of Dental Medicine I am the Dean and responsible for two disciplines, Implantology and Radiology. I am finishing my second mandate: implementing the Bologna Process changes.

Also, as Vice Rector I am responsible for the Culture, External Image of the University, the Sports Division, and relations with the Academic Associations of the 22,000 students of eight Faculties and the Institute of Postgraduates. These responsibilities, my correspondences and other obligations keep me working until two or three in the morning.

On the weekends I enjoy going to nice restaurants with my family. It is rare to have a full evening out without obligations but four or five times a year I go with the family to a movie, a concert or to a Portuguese bullfight.

## *What can Fellows look forward to in Lisbon?*

Everyone can enjoy shopping at the many traditional shops. There's the beach, magnificent museums and the Oceanarium - the biggest in Europe - where they can see the world's most important aquatic species.

The social program will include a tour of historic Lisbon in an old tram and lunch in a wonderful restaurant with a beautiful view of the Tagus River. On Friday we will have a dinner in the Noble Room of the University and an Opera Gala concert by the Juvenile Symphonic Orchestra. The induction ceremony and dinner will be something very special, but I prefer to keep our attendees in suspense.



**Only Have Eyes for You** Dr. Tavares with his wife Isabelle and their daughter Nina.











Getting down to business moments before the start of two days of serious and intense deliberations of the International Council.

## Service and the Opportunity to Serve; Leading by Example

A close-up view of the ICD's International Council Meeting

**Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney, Editor ICD European Section**

Hearing the roll call at the start of ICD's International Council meeting, I was inspired by the true global character of our College. Over 90 countries are represented by Section Councilors and Officers, who annually assemble to deliberate over an enormously wide range of reports and proposals affecting our organization. Sitting on the backbench (having been invited to represent our Section on The Editors Task Force) was an eye-opening experience.

### European Section Councilors in Action

Our Section's Councilors were demonstrably proactive during the deliberations. As Co-Chair of the Growth and Development Committee, **Dr. Peter Kotschy** issued a thought-provoking presentation on the issue of Standard of Care. He is also developing a worldwide PR action to increase the public's awareness of the ICD. **Dr. Frans Kroons** who, in addition to having penned the Section's year-in-review report, has a prominent voice in the College through his service on four Council Committees, including Strategic Planning.

**Dr. Joe Lemasney** is a member of what will be one of the most watched committees during the next year, the Secretary General Search Committee. A memorable comment of Joe's touched on a concern that previous debates on the Central Office - USA Section separation would generate a sensitive discussion on the matter in San Antonio. To everyone's pleasant surprise, an overwhelming spirit of accommodation prevailed and the process went by very smoothly. Joe, invoking the local Texas environs, complimented the Council by saying, "I was prepared for the movie *The Alamo*, but it was more like *The Sound of Music*".

### ...And From the Backbench

Sharing the backbench with me was **Dr. Phillip Dowell**, who serves on the pivotal Subcommittee for Selecting the New Central Office and as the Section's Corporate Liaison Officer for *The Globe*. As Editor, my contributions were in publications, electronic communications and website development. I found that many of our colleagues are just beginning to use the media and are thirsty for practical suggestions. I was proud that our Section's publications were often cited as effective.

### The People I Will Remember

I have many special memories of my time spent with the International Council, but the most poignant ones are the personal stories. A few examples:

- A leading Councilor had a sudden onset condition, severely limiting his reading ability, especially his notes and handouts. Yet, he overcame his limitations nobly, and utilizing large handwritten remarks and magnifying aids accomplished his duties without a hint of lost efficiency or quality. We were all moved by his example of selfless dedication to the College.
- I was amazed by the many foundations and funds throughout the ICD world that support humanitarian programs in addition to the contributions of individual Fellows. I was particularly impressed by the Philippines' Councilor Primo Gonzales, who donated four hectares of his land to build a high school so local students would not have to rise at 4:00 am to walk to the closest school.
- Woong Yang, South Korea's Councilor and a Health Department official, was able to visit his northern neighbor. He described his despair in finding a population with gray and sunken faces accompanied by poor dental condition. His current project provides dental care to North Korean refugees. He hopes eventually to be able to deliver dental care to citizens of North Korea. "One day", he says, "the barrier [recalling the eventual outcome of the Berlin wall] between the two Koreas will be removed".
- There were opportunities for a good-hearted conversation and collegiality and therein a chance meeting, demonstrating how small the world is, especially among ICD Fellows. During dinner, Dr. Armando Berguido, Councilor from Panama and I discovered that despite the fact that neither of us currently live in the United States, we both graduated from the University of Maryland Dental School. What made for an even more remarkable coincidence was the discovery that our fathers had also received their dental degrees from the Maryland Dental School!

I left San Antonio with a richer understanding of how the International Council functions and secure in the knowledge that our College is stewarded by dedicated and able representatives whose commitment ensures a bright future for the ICD.



## I had my first view of the Black Sea walking down the famous steps of Potemkine

**Dr. Sabine Marechaux, ICD volunteer in Odessa, Ukraine**

From the first moment I arrived in Odessa, I enjoyed Oscar-winning hospitality. **Dr. Paul Becker** met me at the airport and took me to his home where I stayed with him and his wife, Tania. They organized a welcome dinner with Department Chair Dr. Oxana Vasilyevna and her family.

The next morning was a successful one at the lecture theatre. I had copied my slides and comments and sent them at the end of January. It was challenging for the translators to interpret my text because I speak freely and do not read my lectures. In any case, the slides I left were self-explanatory and the text could be changed into Russian or Ukrainian. The topics of my lectures were: Patient Management, Trauma in the Primary Dentition and Permanent Dentition and Endodontics in Pedodontics.

After the first lecture, Oxana had organized a “breakfast” that was closer to a feast and I only drink tea in the mornings, but I got to enjoy important discussions with my Ukrainian colleagues. After the second lecture I was taken to lunch at a new City Garden “brasserie”, built after a Bavarian model that featured homemade beer, which I never drink. Oxana had a table reserved for me there for the remainder of my meals. A city walking tour followed. The buildings in Odessa are beautiful, particularly the restored ones. The architecture is baroque and their facades are brightly painted. I had my first view of the Black Sea walking down the famous steps of Potemkine.

Oxana showed me her department and her extensively renovated domain. They lack teaching equipment. Money is not the answer because equipment in the Ukraine is exorbitantly priced. It is not the obtainment of the equipment,

but the delivery to the Ukraine that is problematic. It is foolish to waste donation money paying such heavy taxes, therefore, if anyone wishes to send something, please contact Dr. Paul Becker for guidance first.

We went to see the ballet “Swan Lake” in the newly restored opera house. Just to view this opera house is worth a visit to Odessa! The younger generation took me to see the harbor, museums and the artists’ open air market. Since I had not been allowed to spend one Euro, I bought a painting from an artist.

Paul took me to the airport and explained the departure routine to me. Oxana overwhelmed me with souvenirs and I only hope that I will be able to return her generosity. When I got back home to Geneva, everyone said to me that I should go to Odessa more often, since I simply looked great. My main objective now is how to get the needed material to Odessa without expense.

I thank the ICD, which financed my flight, for this wonderful experience.



Dr. Sabine Marechaux with her host Dr. Paul Becker

## Foundation Approves Grant to Promising Scientists

The Israeli International Association of Dental Research (IADR) Division in collaboration with the ICD European Section received a grant of 600 Euro per year over the next three years. The grant will facilitate the participation of an outstanding young dental researcher in an IADR international conference at which the winner’s research findings will be presented.

The prize will be awarded at the Annual IADR Israeli

branch meeting. Eligible contestants will submit their research to a selection committee whose members will include Fellows from the Israel-Malta District, representatives from the Israel IADR division and members of the dental school faculties.

**Dr. Dorian Aframian**, an Athens inductee, is Chairman of the Israel branch of the IADR, and along with **Dr. Avi Zinni**, authored the grant proposal.





## ICD membership should be viewed as a challenge rather than as an honor only

**Dr. Frans Kroon, President Elect**

**A** good friend of mine was a very enthusiastic dental student and showed me the fine work he was doing. I'll never forget his stimulating talk about dentistry; his expectations and fondness of this profession". So inspired, Dr. Frans Kroon, the European Section's President Elect, went on to receive his dental degree from the Dental School State University of Utrecht in the Netherlands in 1968.

After graduation, Dr. Kroon settled in Amsterdam where he divided his energy between his private practice in General Dentistry, teaching at the Department of Prosthetic Dentistry at the University of Amsterdam, and working towards his thesis in the area of bone grafting in the Department of Histology.

Five years later, Dr. Kroon's thesis was complete and, thanks to a grant from The Niels Stensen Foundation, he spent an additional year this time in Davos Switzerland with his family as a researcher at the Institute for Experimental Research.

A residency in Amsterdam University's Maxillofacial Surgery Department followed. Dr. Kroon was then interested in an academic career and he focused on Traumatology, Orthognathic Surgery and Implantology. By 1979, his training was complete and he became a staff member at the Maxillofacial Surgery Department.

For almost 30 years Dr. Kroon has welcomed the opportunity to combine his interests and expertise by sharing both with colleagues and students through his lectures. "I believe that the main function of a teacher is stimulating students and colleagues to appreciate their profession and to improve their knowledge".

Dr. Kroon travels extensively with his family and his favorite pastimes besides travel include sports and reading, which he shares with his wife, Ineke. The couple has enjoyed playing field hockey, tennis, golf and Dr. Kroon adores playing the piano.

Dr. and Mrs. Kroon have two married daughters, Elinore and Celine, and three grandchildren. Both parents played active roles on the boards of their children's schools and on

the board of the family church and believe strongly in contributing to the community.

Dr. Kroon greatly admires his wife and her devotion to raising their daughters while he spent so much of his time at the hospital: "Over all those years, from the very beginning in choosing to study dentistry, but also during my career in fulfilling my duties and its many side effects of activities in organizations like the ICD, she has been - and still is - the most stimulating person in my professional life".

Past President Jan Pameijer invited Dr. Kroon to become Benelux Regent soon after his induction in 1998 in Bergen, Norway. After the sudden loss of former Secretary Ian Poplett in 2002, Dr. Kroon quickly volunteered to take the role of European Section Secretary General.

"Thanks to former Secretary George Read-Ward and David Glynn, I was well introduced and have highly enjoyed working as Secretary in the European Board and as a representative for the European Section as International Councilman".

"ICD membership should be viewed as a challenge rather than as an honor only", according to Dr. Kroon and he believes that members should focus on how they can actively influence dentistry.

Dr. Kroon will be applying his own organizational skills and vast experience as an ICD officer over the next year as he prepares for the 2010 meeting in Maastricht, The Netherlands. Both Dr. and Mrs. Kroon look forward to welcoming the European Section fellows and their guests at what promises to be a very special gathering.



**Always Diligent** As Secretary General, Dr. Kroon absorbedly follows the proceedings of the Induction Ceremony to ensure everything goes according to plan.



## Dr. Peter Brandstätter Elected Vice President



Dr. Peter Brandstätter, Regent for Austria, was elected Vice President of the European Section.

Dr. Brandstätter was inducted into the ICD in Amsterdam. He served as Deputy Regent before replacing Dr. Peter Kotschy as Regent in 2004. Born in Vienna in 1961, Dr. Brandstätter studied medicine at Vienna University. He then

became a general practitioner and a first aid doctor, working in a variety of hospitals. In 1992, he returned to university to study dentistry. He served in the Dental Department of the Austrian Army Hospital.

Following postgraduate education at Zürich University, he studied at the Department of Prof. Peter Schäfer and postgraduate programs in California. Later he opened a private practice in Vienna. Dr. Brandstätter is a founding member of the Austrian Endodontic Society, and is a board member of the Vienna Dental Society. Dr. Brandstätter's wife, Sabine, is also a dentist. They work together in their Vienna practice, specializing in endodontic treatment and restorative dentistry. They have one daughter and two sons.

Dr. Brandstätter loves skiing, hiking and bicycling. Peter's main goal in dentistry is lifelong learning and continuing professional development.

In his presidency, Dr. Brandstätter wants to encourage postgraduate education, which is one of the core objectives of the College. Dr. Brandstätter chose Vienna for the site of the annual meeting, a melting pot of eastern and western cultures in the heart of Europe with a long history in medical science and education.

## Dr. Argirios Pissiotis Named Deputy Secretary General



Dr. Argirios Pissiotis the current Regent for Greece and Cyprus, was named Deputy Secretary General until the annual meeting in Maastricht in 2010 when he will become Secretary General. In 1992, Dr. Argirios Pissiotis of Thessaloniki, Greece was inducted into the ICD. Dr. Pissiotis is an American-trained Prosthodontist and a graduate of Boston's Tufts

University School of Dentistry where he also earned an MA in Science. His PhD is from Aristotle, the University of Thessaloniki School of Dentistry where he is a Professor of Removable Prosthodontics. Since 2004, he served the ICD's European Section as a Vice Regent of District VII. He and his wife, Christina Kosmidou, have a 21 year old daughter and a 16 year old son.

"It is a challenging task to take over a position that was held so successfully by Dr. Kroon, a man with outstanding organizational skills. I would like to thank the members of the nominations committee for trusting me and appointing me as Deputy Secretary General. I consider myself fortunate for having the time to work with Frans and to learn the Secretary General's duties from him".

## Dr. Shelagh Farrell Regent for England, Scotland and Wales

After three years as Vice Regent of the UK District, Dr. Shelagh Farrell became Regent following the Athens meeting in June 2008.



Dr. Farrell qualified in Bristol in 1971 and after two years of hospital experience started her own general practice.

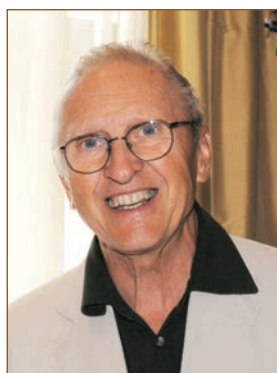
She married Dr. John Farrell, consultant in Prosthetics, who sadly, died in 1981. In 1990 she went to the Eastman Dental Hospital, London where she studied for her M.Sc in Conservation and is now a Specialist in Prosthodontics in practice in Reigate, Surrey. Also in 1990 she married Christopher May, an accountant. They have one 15 year old son.

Shelagh joined the College in 1994. She was a founder of the Faculty of General Dental practice at the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1992 and has been its Vice Dean. She was also an elected member of The General Dental Council and the first woman to be a Council Member of the British Dental Association.

Shelagh takes over from Dr. Phillip Dowell who was Past Regent and President of the European Section. "I want to thank Phil for his excellent leadership of the ICD here in Great Britain over the past five years and, of course, for his very good conference in Cardiff when he was President of the European Section".



## 14th District Welcomes Dr. Ljubo Marion



The Regent for the new 14th District Central and Eastern Europe is Dr. Ljubo Marion. He served as Vice Regent for Slovenia under the auspices of the Greece-Cyprus District. Dr. Marion graduated from University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Stomatology in 1968. He received his Masters degree in Prosthodontics in 1976, Specialist in Prosthodontics in 1980 and Doctor of Science in 1985. Currently, Dr. Marion is Associate Professor and Vice Dean of the Faculty of Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Dental Medicine at University in Ljubljana, Slovenia. His fields of research include mandibular kinesiography, clinical techniques in fixed prosthetics, implantology and occlusion. Dr. Marion is founder and Past President of the Slovenian Society of Prosthodontics. Dr. Marion, an avid athlete all his life, was the winner of

the Coupe du Monde de Ski des Medicines in cross country skiing in 1981. Today, he is a devoted golfer and amateur photographer. Regarding his new position Dr. Marion said "This is a new District with many countries but I know I can count on the help of my fellow Regents and my Vice Regent Dr. Senekola to make this an active and productive region for the European Section".

## Four Vice Regents Appointed

**Dr. Thomas Francan** was named Vice Regent for Austria. He will be working closely with Vice President and Regent Peter Brandstatter during this important period leading up to the European Section's 2011 Annual Meeting.

**Dr. Egita Senekola** former Vice Regent for Latvia under the auspices of the Israel-Malta District was appointed Vice Regent in the new Central and Eastern Europe District with specific responsibility for the Baltic States.

**Dr. Joseph Xuereb** became the new Vice Regent for the Israel-Malta District and **Dr. Richard Graham** takes over as Ireland's new Vice Regent.

## Past Presidents of The ICD European Section

The International College of Dentists, and in particular the European Section, is rich in tradition. No better example is the respect and admiration we render our Past Presidents who unselfishly guide this Section during their terms of office culminating in the Annual Meeting usually held in their home country.

Philip Dear	France	1955-1956	Michel Varin	France	1989
Ch.F.L.Nord	Holland	1957	John O. Forrest	England	1990-1991
Louis Fitting	Switzerland	1958	Gil Alcoforado	Portugal	1992
Jacques Fouré	France	1959-1960	Andreas Tsoutsos	Greece	1993
Frans Ackermann	Switzerland	1961-1962	Gerald Wootliff	England	1994
Robert Vielleville	France	1963-1964	B David Glynn	England	1995
Fritz Schon	Germany	1965-1966	Carlo Pejrone	Italy	1996
Louis Baume	Switzerland	1967-1968	Peter Kotschy	Austria	1997
Frans Lankhof	Holland	1969-1970	T. Wahr-Hansen	Norway	1998
C. deVere Green	England	1971-1972	Jan Pameijer	Holland	1999
Frederico Singer	Italy	1973-1974	Jaime Gil	Spain	2000
Charles Vallotton	Switzerland	1975	Heinz Lässig	Germany	2001
Jose. M Losada	Spain	1976 -1977	Nicole Vallotton	Switzerland	2002
Aré Edwards	France	1978-1979	Joseph Lemasney	Ireland	2003
Walter Reif	England	1980-1981	Peter Pré	France	2004
Charles Przetak	Germany	1982-1983	Anders Ericson	Sweden	2005
Umberto Bar	Italy	1984-1985	Giorgio Blasi	Italy	2006
G. van der Harst	Holland	1986-1987	Phillip Dowell	England	2007
William Fitting	Switzerland	1988	Aris-Petros Tripodakis	Greece	2008



## European Section Fellows Awarded Title of Master

**"...for extraordinarily conspicuous and outstanding service to the College"**

### Dr. Cecil Linehan

Presented by Dr. Joe Lemasney



May I present Dr. Cecilia Frances Linehan - known as Cecil. Cecil was born in Dublin, but has lived mostly in Northern Ireland. Her husband, Tom, is also a distinguished dentist. They had three children, one of whom, Alistair, was sadly killed in a motorbike accident in 1993. They also have five lovely grandchildren.

Cecil did her specialist training and qualifications in orthodontics through Queen's University, Belfast. She practiced as a specialist orthodontist until she retired in 2001. Cecil was Editor par excellence of the European Digest from 2001 to 2007. She also kept our website going following the sudden death of Ian Poplet in early 2002. Cecil worked for the establishment of the Phillip Dear Fund

to mark the 50th Anniversary of the European Section. Cecil was appointed Editor of the Newsletter of the College at Large, known as *The College Today*. Outside of dentistry Cecil's prime interest is in integrated education in Northern Ireland.

In the 1980's she established Northern Ireland's first planned integrated school for Catholic and Protestant pupils, of which there are 63 today.

Cecil has written extensively on children's education and integration, and in 2003 was awarded a Master of Philosophy in Reconciliation Studies from Trinity College, Dublin. In 1987, Cecil was awarded the Member of the British Empire for her work in Education and Integration. Cecil is also a keen swimmer and a great golfer. She is truly deserving of the award of Master of the International College of Dentists.



### Dr. Peter Kotschy

Presented by Dr. Peter Brandstätter



It is my honour to propose my teacher, friend and role model Prof. Dr Peter Kotschy for an ICD Master's Degree.

Born in Vienna in 1939, Peter Kotschy has been working in his private practice in Vienna since 1968. In 1976 he founded the Viennese Institute for Dental Education.

In 1978, he presented an Austrian dental hygiene TV Series and initiated a program for children's oral health in Viennese kindergartens, which is employed today.

He introduced a program for prophylaxis and founded the working group which became the Austrian Society of Periodontology in 2001, the same year he became its Life Honorary President.

Peter was in conflict with the Austrian Dental Society at the same time as he was invited to join the ICD. For Peter the ICD fulfilled his dreams of discussing dentistry with equally open-minded dentists.

In 1986, he became Regent for Austria and later as President of the European Section, he held a successful meeting in Vienna in 1997. In 2004 he became the European delegate of ICD's International Council. In addition, Peter Kotschy lectured at the Vienna University School of Dentistry for eight years.

He also started microscope-assisted dentistry and he developed the idea of using kinetic preparation in restorative dentistry. In 2003, Peter Kotschy became Specialist for Periodontology for the European Dental Association.

And I must, of course, mention that Peter has been blessed to have his wife, Martina, at his side for the past eleven years. Mr. President, please accept Dr. Peter Kotschy as a Master in the ICD.



**Back in 1997** Drs. Kotschy and Linehan first shared the limelight twelve years ago when then European Section President Kotschy presented Cecil Linehan with her Fellowship in the College in Austria.





## Humanitarian Mission to the Dominican Republic

Austrian dentist and FICD Dr. Hani Farr and five dental students from the University of Zurich undertook a charity mission in the Dominican Republic. The San Pedro location consisted of 12 houses, accommodating 160 children, whose parents cannot take care of them due to their extreme poverty. There is also a full staff who deals with their welfare, including administrative, educational and medical needs. The average monthly income in San Pedro is 85 Euros.

Initially, Dr. Farr and his group introduced themselves to the children and staff, informed them of their aims and objectives and provided toothbrushes, toothpaste and the training to use them correctly. Dr. Farr created a dental registry on the status of every child in order to maintain and update their dental histories.

There were significant challenges to overcome including antiquated dental equipment, frequent power cuts, lack of running water, temperatures frequently reaching above 40°C., poor infrastructure and unique problems associated with an HIV positive population. In spite of these limitations, the children were provided with optimal care and treatment. The anaesthetic, needles and syringes were transported from Europe. To avoid contamination, all medical waste was burnt.

For more information [www.imraweb.com/dental.php](http://www.imraweb.com/dental.php)



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## Dr. Alcoforado Provides Dental Care to Lisbon Area Children

For the past five years Dr. Gil Alcoforado, Regent for Portugal, and his team have been visiting Lisbon area day care centers, treating up to 90 children at each center every three months. At first instructors were taught the basics of oral hygiene, nutrition and some knowledge of caries and periodontal diseases. This was followed by meetings with parents in order to receive permission to treat their children and to give them basic knowledge of oral hygiene and nutrition.

The parents were also taught how to monitor their children's oral hygiene habits. Each child received two sets of oral hygiene kits: one to be used at the center and a second to be taken home and were replaced regularly as needed.

The typical visit began with an audio visual age-appropriate presentation on oral hygiene and nutrition followed by a brushing demonstration in which all of the children learned to brush their teeth in their own classrooms every afternoon under supervision.

Due to the very high caries rate, each session was completed with a fluoride varnish application on the teeth of every child and subsequently repeated every three months.



Dr. Gil Alcoforado treats up to 90 Lisbon area children every three months.



Dental clinic advertising prominently displayed overlooking a busy Nepal street. Insert: the dental unit.

## On The Road to First World Dentistry in Nepal

Dr. Richard Vaughan

During my induction to the ICD in Athens, it was good to learn that the organization has both charitable and educational aims. With this in mind, it is pleasing to report my recent visit to the country in the Hindu Kush that is landlocked between Tibet (China) and India.

There are a dozen major ethnic groups speaking at least 50 languages and dialects across Nepal. The population of 24 million, which ranges from poverty stricken to highly affluent, is dynamic due to the growing influx of Tibetan refugees. In Khatmandu there is a striking contrast between the first world dentistry available in European standard clinics, staffed by ex-pats, treating the affluent and the diplomatic community and the third world dentistry available a few streets away.

### Cambodian Model

Following the Cambodian Model, I set out to determine the feasibility of establishing a basic dental skills training course for established primary health care workers, based on my belief that dental and medical care should both be available in Primary Health Clinics. The course would comply with the WHO Basic Package of Oral Care and include: Oral Urgent Treatment (OUT), Affordable Fluoride Treatment (AFT), Atraumatic Restorative Treatment (ART). I also went equipped to relieve pain and oral sepsis as needed. People who live in the major centres have access to toothbrushes and fluoride toothpaste. Studies (Y.Yee et al.) have demonstrated reductions in dental caries (26%) and DMFT (38%) in 12/13 year old schoolchildren in Khatmandu. However, due to the increase in sugar consumption, DMFT is doubling every decade (Y.Yee).

In my proposed working area, there is an existing program of 'little doctors' in which schoolchildren are taught a health concept which they then take home and teach to their families. It would be feasible to add healthcare worker supervised AFT to this program. The government and the Nepal Trust both provide primary health care to the communities they serve. I found the Nepal Trust health care workers keen to

acquire new skills. My main problem was communication, due to their limited English skills and lack of technical vocabulary.

Oral Urgent Treatment (OUT) and Affordable Fluoride Treatment (AFT) are not teachable concepts in short courses, but require in-depth training. I have requested the syllabus from The Cambodian Primary Care Nurse's Training Course, as well as the curriculum for the Community Medical Assistant (CMA) Training of the Nepalese Health Care Workers.



Dr. Vaughan (center) is welcomed to Nepal by Dr. Robin Ramsay and Nurse Jannet Griffin, who were working on medical needs while completing the 4000 m trek to a clinic in the process.

My concept is to devise Computer Assisted Learning (CAL) programs to cover the basics regarding infection, cross infection, basic anatomy, physiology etc. To complete the training modules, DVD's and lap top computers would be sent to the program's CMA's which would then be built upon with 'hands on' training courses, run by myself and other dentists, using animal tissues followed by selected human extractions in increasing complexity over time.

It is Nepal Trust policy to integrate their schemes with the relevant government departments, handing them over when appropriate. When successfully established, control should be vested with The Nepal Medical Council and a suitable CMA Training Institute. The ICD could be instrumental in fulfilling these goals on the road to first world dental education for all Nepalese peoples.





## District for Central and Eastern Europe Formed

Seven nations now members of the new 14th District

An historic decision was made by the Board of Regents of the European Section during its Athens meeting in June 2008. For the first time in over 15 years, a new district (Number 14) Central and Eastern Europe was named. The 14th District's first Regent is **Dr. Ljubo Marion**, who had been serving as Vice Regent for Slovenia. **Dr. Egita Senekola** the former Vice Regent for Latvia became Vice Regent for all three Baltic States. This landmark development owes its genesis to the steadfast work of the Eastern European committee led by Chairman **Dr. Joseph Lemasney**.



**Historic Moment in Athens** Regent Ljubo Marion presents Dr. Katalin Nagy from Hungary, the first Fellow to be inducted into the new Central and Eastern Europe District.

recommendation was to create a District of three countries. However after consultations with board members, and in consideration of an expanded proposal by **Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney**, Section Editor, the committee recommended that the new district include all countries currently being served through the auspices of established Districts in the European Section, as well as countries in Europe who currently have no District affiliation. The Board unanimously approved the recommended proposal and the new District Fourteen was official. District 14 currently includes

Lithuania, Latvia, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Slovenia, Poland and Russia.

The original proposal to create a new district was brought before the Board of Regents during the 2007 winter meeting in Rome. During those discussions concern was expressed about the lack of clear guidelines regarding the process of

setting up new districts. The question was referred back to Dr. Lemasney's committee with the charge to develop a protocol for the establishment of new districts based on existing regulations, the information available through the European Section constitution, the ICD constitution and bylaws as well as the 2007 Report of The



Dr. Joe Lemasney

College Growth and Development Committee. Following committee deliberations over the next several months a protocol was developed, presented and accepted by the Board of Regents in Athens (see below). The initial

Dr. Marion thanked Past President and former Regent **Dr. Aris-Petros Tripodakis** for having supported the Section expansion and for the opportunity to serve as Vice Regent under the auspices of his District. Dr. Senekola, the new Vice Regent for the Baltic States, expressed similar gratitude to **Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney**, Regent from the Israel-Malta District with whom she served as Vice Regent and worked together to establish the first Student Prize in Latvia and to recruit new fellows from Latvia and Lithuania. Dr. Senekola also noted the successful efforts by Ireland's Regent, **Dr. Tom Feeney** who spearheaded the sponsorship of Estonia's first fellow.



Dr. Egita Senekola

### Protocol for Establishing a New District

The Board of Regents approved the following protocol for creating a new District:

1. At least three fellows have been elected from the country or group of countries being considered for a new District.
2. A fellow from the proposed new District, serving as Vice Regent, must have participated in two Annual Meetings after his appointment and at least three Board of Regents meetings.

3. The Vice Regent will submit a report to the Board of Regents describing the potential of the new District as well as his or her personal commitment to serve as its Regent.



The above is a summary only. For the exact text of the approved protocol go to the Members' Only section [icd-europe.com/private/membersonly.html](http://icd-europe.com/private/membersonly.html)



## District 1 Austria

In March we had a successful local meeting in Vienna. **Dr. Solar** spoke about oral surgery and beside dentistry everybody enjoyed the social part of the evening.

**Dr. Thomas Francan** will serve the College as Vice Regent for Austria. We congratulate our Regent **Dr. Peter Brandstätter** on having been elected Vice President of the European section and look forward to supporting him for the annual meeting in 2011 in Vienna. Also, we congratulate Past President **Dr. Peter Kotschy** International Council Representative for having received his Master's degree at the Athens annual meeting.



The Austrian District fellows and guests enjoyed both the scientific and social aspects of their annual local meeting.

## District 2 Benelux

The Benelux District of the ICD has held its regional fall meeting, which was well attended by 26 Fellows at the Academisch Genootschap Eindhoven. The Regent **Dr. Walter van Driel** made some remarks about the wonderfully organized Anniversary Congress in Athens last June. Some items of the scientific program in Athens were discussed. The involvement of the implant industry was a point of debate. Some of the fellows reported their results of dentistry to the society, e.g. the treatment of the homeless people and children in the Third World. Dates and place for the forthcoming anniversary meeting in Lisbon were mentioned and the Regent urged everybody to attend. After the meeting, a very nice dinner was served. We were very sorry to learn that due to a serious illness **Dr. Jan van Hoeve**, our outstanding Treasurer, had to relinquish his post. The District's Regent **Dr. Walter van Driel** was appointed to the position of Treasurer and is in frequent contact with Jan to ensure that the transfer goes smoothly. We all wish for Jan a speedy recovery and his return to active service in the College.

## District 3 Scandinavia

**Dr. Staer Jacobsen** from Denmark, inducted in Athens 2008 has invented the Aproxi Resin Inlay which facilitates making proximal contacts on plastic fillings.

## District 4 England, Scotland and Wales

The autumn meeting of the England, Scotland and Wales District was held at the Royal College of Surgeons of England in London on Friday 21st November. Thirty-three attended the dinner, gathering in the Nuffield Bar for drinks beforehand. After dinner the new Regent **Dr. Shelagh Farrell** thanked **Dr. Phillip Dowell** for his work as past Regent and as President of the European Section. She welcomed the previous Regent **Dr. Bruce Mayhew** and spoke of the excellent meeting in Athens. She also expressed her hope that as many Fellows as possible would attend the meeting in Lisbon in 2009 and Maastricht in 2010.

**Dr. Dowell** also spoke, commenting on his future appointments to the Transition Committee and the Projects Committee and his role as lead person to look into the continuing education program.

Two of the three new inductees were present, **Dr. Jason Burns** and **Dr. Richard Vaughan**. **Dr. Esmonde Corbet** from Hong Kong was unable to be in England, but has offered to host a meeting in Hong Kong for any interested European Fellows. We congratulate **Dame Margaret Seward**, a past editor of the ICDIGEST and of the FDI's International Dental Journal for being elected to the FDI List of Honor at the recent Annual World Dental Congress in Stockholm.

## District 5 France

**Dr. Jean Louis Portugal**, our Vice Regent, was nominated President of "Le Syndicat des Dentistes De Paris" and our fellow **Dr. Bruno Dailey** was nominated President of "The American Dental Club" a very select association. **Dr. Arthur Goldstein** was an invited lecturer at the 2nd European Dental Congress in Istanbul on "The Benefits of Low Heat Micro Radiowave Surgery over Conventional Methods of Incision".

## District 6 Germany

The German ICD Section met on Oct. the 17th and 18th in the old University town of Jena. On Friday evening we came together in the historical hotel "DER BAR" (The Bear) and had dinner at the same place where Martin Luther often met friends in the 15th century.



German District participants gather outside The Federal Historic Library of Thuringen.





The next morning we started in the lecture room of the fantastic new Thüringer Landesbibliothek (The Federal Historic Library of Thuringen). Our group was invited by Dr. Wefers, a teacher of the Jena Dental School and his wife who is the director of the library. Dr. Wefers gave a lecture: "The Dentist at Court" and told us of his long time experience as an expert.

Later Mrs. Wefers gave us an overview of her activities at the historic library. We had the pleasure of getting into "The Bibliotheca Electoralis". It contains the full world knowledge of the 16th century. After a typical lunch, (sausages from Thuringen) we went with a guided tour through Jena and left looking forward to seeing each other in Lisboa.

The German District is very proud that our Regent **Dr. Wolfgang Bockelbrink** has been nominated to become Vice President of the European Section. All the Fellows look forward to working with Wolfgang to make the 2012 annual meeting a huge success.

## District 7 Greece and Cyprus

The annual meeting of the Region of Greece and Cyprus was held in the premises of the restored building "Kostis Palamas" which houses the faculty club of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Thirty six fellows from Greece and Cyprus were present - a record high - along with their spouses and enjoyed a beautiful evening of fellowship and friendship.

After welcoming cocktails, the evening started with a short address by the Regent of Greece and Cyprus, **Dr. Argirios Pissiotis**, congratulated the evening's Honored Guest, the newly appointed Life Member of the Region, **Dr. Mina Papasotiriou**, who was the first Greek dentist inducted as Fellow of the ICD, and one of the first women Fellows of the ICD European Section. He then introduced the fellows inducted in June to the rest of the party and gave some up to date information about the College's recent activities and the upcoming Meeting in Lisbon next June. Our first guest lecturer for the evening, Fellow **Dr. Ioannis Vrotsos** was next to the podium and gave an excellent 15 minute presentation entitled "The need for communication between European and American Dentists and the founding of the International College of Dentists in the early 20th century".

Following Professor Vrotsos, the honored new Life Member of the ICD, **Dr. Mina Papasotiriou** in a really touching and passionate slide presentation, shared with rest of the group, her personal experience in the ICD, which actually accounted the history of the Region of Greece and Cyprus. Everyone in the room was overwhelmed with her story telling, giving her a generous applause, the older Fellows and Life Members remembering and the recent ones learning.

The evening entertainment included a delicious four course dinner served in the private function hall of the "Kostis

Palamas" Mansion, leaving everyone present with the aftertaste of a warm and exciting evening with their ICD Fellows.



Greece-Cyprus Fellows and guests listen to the lecture, "The Need for Communication Between European and American Dentists".

## District 8 Ireland

The Irish District held its Christmas Meeting and Dinner in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire on 22 November 2008 and had an excellent attendance of 42 people.

In his speech, the Irish Regent, **Dr. Tom Feeney**, thanked everybody present for the great support. He reminded them of the very successful meeting in Athens and many tributes were paid to **Dr. Aris Petros Tripodakis** and his team for the excellent annual meeting in June both in terms of scientific content and in terms of the huge effort that was made on the social side. It truly was a memorable event. Dr. Feeney also welcomed new Fellow **Dr. Jerome Mullane** and his wife Marina to their first meeting. Advance notice and details were given of the Lisbon meeting and a strong attendance is expected.

**Dr. Frank Shields** completed his term as Vice Regent after a very successful spell both as Regent and Vice Regent. The installation of Dr. Richard Graham as Vice Regent was warmly welcomed by all present.



Dr. Richard Graham new Vice Regent with Mrs. Mary Shields wife of outgoing Vice Regent Dr. Frank Shields.

**Dr. Cecil Linehan** has been deeply involved in the area of integrated education in Northern Ireland for many years now and is currently writing a book on the subject with colleagues. It chronicles the history of the developments of the schools (now 62) and the battles with church and state. Dr. Feeney also thanked **Dr. Joe Lemasney** for the great work he has done in the international arena, most recently in San Antonio.

The membership currently stands at 46, inclusive of two Masters, two Life Members and one Honorary Member.

## District 9 Israel and Malta



Dr. Joseph Xuereb

**Dr. Joseph Xuereb** of Gozo, Malta who was inducted at the Athens annual meeting is the new Vice Regent for District nine. We congratulate him and look forward to his progress in encouraging greater participation and understanding of the ICD in Malta.

The Israel Malta Student Prize Award continues into its fifth year by recognizing outstanding senior dental students. The winner in Jerusalem was Sagi Savi and was presented by **Dr. Avi Zinni**. Awfa Abu-Nimer who won in the Tel Aviv Dental School received his prize from **Prof. Aviad Tamse**. The award is sponsored by the GC Europe/Osada Company and includes a beautiful certificate and a \$500 prize.

The Israeli IADR Division in collaboration with the ICD European Section will grant a stipend of 600 Euro each year to an outstanding young dental researcher for attending an IADR international conference and presenting his/her research findings. The prize will be presented at the Israeli Annual IADR meeting. The funding for the prize comes as a grant from the Philip Dear Foundation. **Dr. Doron Afriman** and **Dr. Avi Zinni** prepared the grant proposal on behalf of the IADR.

Section Editor and Regent **Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney** participated in the Editor's Conference as part of the International Council Meeting in San Antonio. A feature on Dr. Sydney's experiences at the Council Meeting is reported on page 24 of the ICDIGEST.



(left to right) Dr. Dov Sydney represented the European Section as Editor during the San Antonio Editors Conference with US Section Editor Richard Galeone, *The Globe* Assistant Editor Kathleen Bula and College at Large Editor Jack Hinterman.

## District 10 Italy

**Prof. Corrado Paganelli** the Regent for Italy has been appointed Visiting Professor at the Kings' College, London. **Prof. Mauro Labanca** Vice Regent is co-writer of a new *Atlas of Dental Anatomy* and director of one of the most popular courses on Surgical Dissection in Vienna.

This year the Italian District meeting is being convened in May with a full program of lectures. At the end of what we anticipate will be a very stimulating and thought provoking session, a gala dinner in formal dress is scheduled at the Nella Villa dell'Hotel La Bollina.

## District 11 Portugal

The Portuguese District organized their Winter Meeting last November 21st in order to present the new candidates who will become ICD Inductees at the next Lisbon meeting in June to the Portuguese ICD group. 22 Fellows and prospective Fellows gathered together to listen to our European President, **Dr. Antonio Vasconcelos Tavares** present to them the scientific and social program for the Lisbon meeting.

The Regent used the opportunity to enlighten the newcomers and refresh the memory of the old Fellows about the responsibilities placed on the shoulders of those who accept the ICD Fellowship. Fellow **Dr. Joao Aquino Marques**, who was inducted recently in Athens, gave us a lecture on "Ethics and Marketing in the Dental World", a very current theme which generated several questions from the audience. The meeting was closed by our President, who asked all Fellows present to make sure they will be in attendance at our 2009 annual meeting.

## District 12 Spain

**Prof. M. Jesus Suarez** is the Vice Rector for Departments and Faculties at the University Complutense of Madrid. **Prof. Jaime del Rio** is Vice Dean for continuing education at the Faculty of Dentistry of the University Complutense of Madrid. **Prof. Jose Lopez Lozano** has been appointed director of the Department of Prosthodontics at the Faculty of Dentistry of the University Complutense of Madrid. **Prof. Juan Salsench** has been appointed Director of the Department of Stomatology at the University of Barcelona. **Prof. Pedro Bullon** is the Actual Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Sevilla.

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**Prof. Emilio Jimenez-Castellanos** has been appointed Vice Dean for clinical affairs at the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Sevilla. **Prof. Miguel Lucas** has been awarded with the “Santa Apolonia Award” which is the highest distinction in Spain for any member of the dental profession, awarded annually by the Spanish Dental Council.



Regent  
Jaime A. Gil

District Regent **Prof. Jaime A. Gil** serving as Co-President of the International College of Prosthodontics, looks forward to the next scientific meeting of The ICP that will take place in Cape Town in September 11-13, 2009. Prof. Gil was also recently elected to The Board of the European Association for Osseointegration.

## District 13 Switzerland

**Dr. Fabrice Macheret** is in private practice specializing in implantology in Lausanne, and is a part time clinical teacher at the University of Geneva. But Fabrice has a second professional life: he has created three dental clinics in Burkina Faso, one of the most poor and disinherited

countries in the world. A full report will appear in next year's ICDIGEST.

## District 14 Central and Eastern Europe

**Drs. Katalyn Nagy, Regina Meriszke Stern, and Ljubo Marion** joined with other ICD members at an informal gathering during the European Prosthodontic Association Congress at Pecs.



Fellow Regina Mericzke Stern, receiving congratulations for her lecture from 2008 EPA President Professor Gyula Szabo.



## In Memoriam

Austria  
**Hans Pfersmann**

Switzerland  
**F. Rebstein**

Spain  
**Amancio Tome**

Portugal  
**Humberto Ferreira da Costa**

Benelux  
**Toon Schoemaker**

A very special man and colleague past away: Dr. Toon Schoemaker. In addition to his general practice, Toon was dedicated and committed to improving the quality of primary teeth. His achievements were recognised and appreciated by all, leading to a royal award in 1990 by her Majesty the Queen.

Portugal  
**Armando Simoes dos Santos**

Prof. dos Santos was the Dean of the Lisbon Dental School and a personality who made an outstanding contribution to the development of the dental profession in Portugal. His loss was deeply felt by all the members of the profession.



## A Busy Year of Progress and Action

**Dr. Frans H.M. Kroon, Secretary General ICD Europe**

**T**he year 2008 comes to an end; a very good moment to pause and meditate a while about the European Section. Did we do well? Was there any progress and what are the plans for the (near) future?

As usual, a great deal of the efforts during the year is spent to the annual meeting; this year it was organized in Athens by the District for Greece and Cyprus. Extensive reports can be seen in other sections of the ICDIGEST. But it should be acknowledged also here as an interesting and very stimulating conference meeting. The high attendance at both the Scientific and the Social Events are signs of appreciation of the format of the meeting.

The Board of Regents' activities were partially directed to improvement of the communication in and between the Districts, further encouragement of local meetings to stimulate Fellows' participation and interest in The College. The number of local meetings is increasing. The extensive activities and productions of the European Editor through *ICD Eurograms* and the ICDIGEST and of our Past Editor through the College at Large Newsletter are very stimulating in this respect.

Another line of interest for the Board was (and still is) the effort into "Continuing Educational Programs". The Mutual Agreement with the Academic Institute in Odessa, Ukraine, led to extensive participation by European Fellows; a consideration of renewal is to be planned for the Board Meeting in Lisbon in June 2009.

Continuing Dental Education by E-Learning systems has been given wide attention. The Ivident program has been presented and extensively discussed. The Board has decided to form an Advisory Group to arrange proper discussions with the Ivident group in order to start the implementation or use through the ICD-Europe and to advise regarding the possibilities of implementations both for (post)graduate education in (Central & East) Europe and the usefulness to combine it with existing and upcoming projects in developing countries. It is heart-warming to realise how many individual

Fellows are already active in this field. The role of the Philip Dear Foundation in this respect is growing and promising. Recently paid attention to these projects in the ICDIGEST is stimulating for understanding and appreciating the efforts already made by these Fellows.

Also, in the International Council the main efforts to improve communication and to strive for (educational) projects are strongly supported by the different sections. Appointing of Communication Liaison Officer for *The Globe* per Section to arrange advertisements for *The Globe* is another good sign of improving communication.

Proposed separation of Central Office from the USA Section is mainly meant to stimulate and improve these activities and commitments of the College at Large.

However, in the European Section lives still a great concern about the final outcome of this procedure. Despite strong advice about alternative improvements for a well functioning Central Office, the separation procedure seems to be following the decisions and planning already made by the USA Section.

It is with great sadness and regrets, that I have to mention that our Treasurer Jan van Hoeve, functioning since Cardiff and more than that, personally very involved with the Odessa group has decided to step down as Treasurer because of health problems. However, we are glad to be able to announce, that Walter van Driel, Regent for the Benelux, has been found willing to take upon him this task.

In June 2009, my term as Secretary General will end. I'm very pleased that our Deputy Secretary Fellow Argirios Pissiotis is ready to take over, with whom I'm looking forward to a sound cooperation through my -by then- presidential function. To guarantee a smooth transition we will continue to share all communications in the coming period.

I'm looking forward to a pleasant and effective communication within and in favour of the Board of Regents of the European Section.



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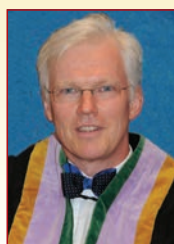
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