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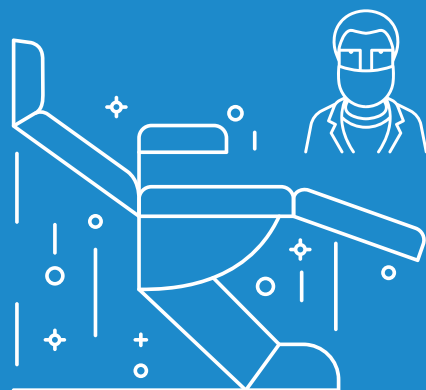
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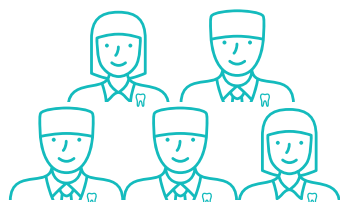
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ABOUT THE CED

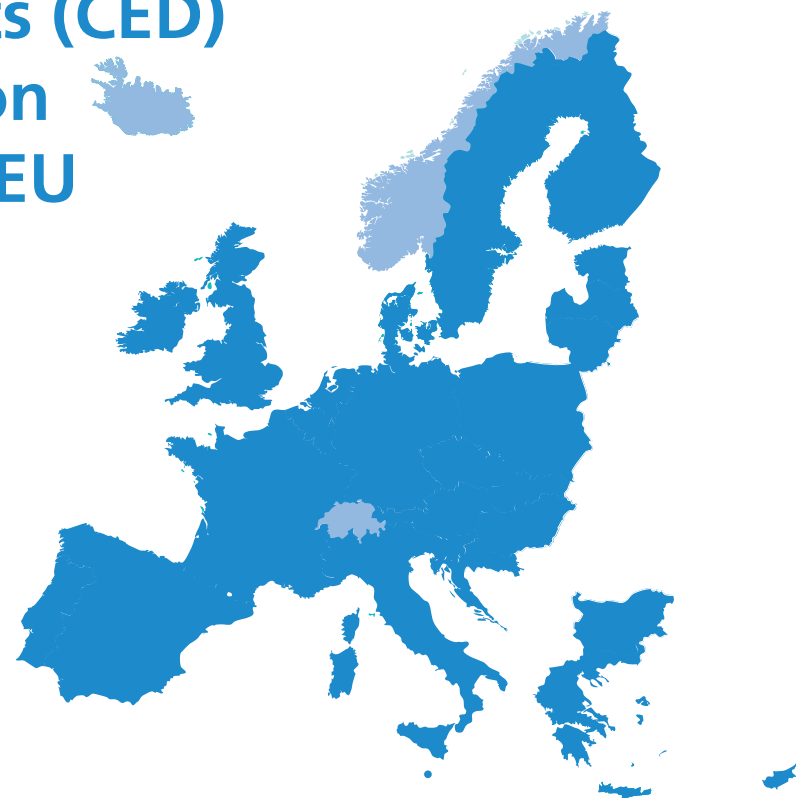


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for the dental profession in the EU



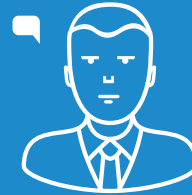
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340,000
practising
professionals

32
national dental
associations
(29 are full members,
and 3 are observers)



PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Accessibility to dental care for elderly and frail people, specificity of health services, proportionality



“
We must be forward thinking and acknowledge the urgency of this topic. We cannot wait until we have an oral health crisis but need to act today, when we can make a difference to patients' health, by supporting prevention and providing appropriate and timely treatment.”

Dr. Marco Landi, Italy

European Parliament- “Integrated Care – Don't forget about the mouth”, 29 November 2017

Oral diseases are a major public health problem in Europe. They have considerable negative impacts on the general health and quality of life of populations, especially the elderly and frail people. Poor oral health is linked to difficulties to speak, eat, drink, swallow and take medicines. Malnutrition and severe health conditions like pneumonia can be associated with poor oral health. As the life expectancy of populations is expected to increase, this burden will continue to grow. In addition, oral health inequalities are an important challenge in the EU, with an excessive oral health burden on some frail groups of population.

There is an urgent need to improve oral healthcare for older and frail people. Healthcare and social care services, public authorities and the oral health professions should work together to develop appropriate strategies. The initiatives should include specific training in oral health for those who have regular contact with older and frail people. Integrated care is part of the solution. This is the message the Council of European Dentists delivered during the event organised at the European Parliament “Integrated

Care – Don't forget about the mouth”, 29 November 2017.

With a still growing and ageing population it is the responsibility of the national authorities to ensure sufficient resources to meet this challenge. In addition, the high quality of educational curricula should reflect the needs of the ageing population. A minimum duration and specific evolving competences in training of dental practitioners can secure the optimal quality of care. It is the role of the Council of European Dentists to promote it.

As they are very often the first contact point with a healthcare system for EU citizens, dentists like doctors and community pharmacists are key actors in the European healthcare systems. The regulation of their professions serves a public interest in terms of safeguarding the quality and availability of healthcare services and it protects public health. In a single market, setting the rules for assessing the proportionality of regulations concerning healthcare professions should remain a key competence of Member State to guarantee patient safety, high quality healthcare and safe and accessible services.

2017 AT A GLANCE

JANUARY TO APRIL



17 February

CED President Dr. Marco Landi meets Prof. Corrado Paganelli, President of the Association for Dental Education in Europe (ADEE) in Brussels to discuss ethics, education and integrated care



23 February

CED President Dr. Marco Landi participates in a first ever joint meeting of European dental stakeholders on the impact of Medical Devices Regulation on dentistry

9-13 April

Treasurer Dr. Mick Armstrong represents the CED at the 59th EDSA conference in Cardiff



21 April

CED President Dr. Marco Landi represents the CED at a meeting of FDI-ERO in Geneva

MEETINGS

13 February

Board Task Force Internal Market

15 February

Working Group Oral Health

23 February

Working Group eHealth

24 February

Working Group Education and Professional Qualifications

2 March

Board Task Force Communications

3 March

CED Board

7 March

Working Group Amalgam and Other Restorative Materials

20 March

Working Group Infection Control and Waste Management

3 April

Working Group Oral Health

2017 AT A GLANCE

MAY TO SEPTEMBER



9 May

CED President Dr. Marco Landi attends the ADEE/ADEA conference on the future of dental education in London and meets with the President of the Platform for Better Oral Health in Europe

26 May

MEP Roberta Metsola addresses delegates at the CED General Meeting in Malta



11 September

CED President Dr. Marco Landi meets Dr. I. Schwimann, Deputy Director-General, DG GROW, European Commission

22 September

CED President Dr. Marco Landi participates in Baltic Dental Days in Vilnius



MEETINGS

25 May

CED Board

26-27 May

General Meeting

19 June

Working Group Medical Devices

22 June

Working Group eHealth

29 June

Working Group Oral Health

7 September

Working Group Oral Health

8 September

Working Group Education and Professional Qualifications

14 September

Board Task Force Internal Market

14-15 September

CED Board

2017 AT A GLANCE

OCTOBER TO DECEMBER



16-18 October

CED Vice-President Dr. Piret Välli attends the High-level conference on e-health "Health in the digital society. The digital society for health" in Tallinn. She signs the Digital Health Society Declaration on behalf of the CED



15 November

CED Policy Officer Lea Pfefferle represents the CED at the European Antibiotic Awareness Day event in Brussels



29 November

CED President Dr. Marco Landi meets MEP Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

1 December

CED President Dr. Marco Landi attends the liberal professions conference organised by the European Economic and Social Committee in Rome

12 December

CED Secretary General Nina Brandelet-Bernot meets Arunas Vinciunas, Head of the Cabinet to the EU Commissioner for Health, to discuss the future of EU health policy

MEETINGS

26 October

Working Group Infection Control and Waste Management

27 October

Working Group eHealth

10 November

Working Group Tooth Whitening

16 November

CED Board

16 November

Board Task Force Communications

17 November

CED General Meeting

11 December

Working Group eHealth

13 December

Working Group Amalgam and Other Restorative Materials

CODE OF ETHICS



In May 2017, the CED adopted the revised Code of Ethics that takes into account national codes and the new EU rules on data protection. First adopted in 1965 and regularly amended, the CED Code of Ethics contains agreed guiding principles for professional conduct and ethics of dentists, which underpin high quality of dental care throughout Europe. It covers the commitment to the patient and the public, the practice of the profession and electronic commerce.

www.cedentists.eu/ced-code-of-ethics.html

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1. PREAMBLE

This document outlines a set of minimum conduct and ethics which underpin high quality dental care.

These general principles have been developed which represent National Dental Associations of European Countries - against a background of cross-border dental care - and are intended to underpin the specific professional conduct of dentists in each country in which they work, which reflect the dental profession's commitment to the public.

Purpose and guiding principles of the dental profession are to:

- to contribute to society's wellbeing by promoting oral health and dental care
- to ensure professional independence, integrity and competence and professionalism
- to promote oral health as part of general health and to contribute to society with dental care

POLICY



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CED RESOLUTION ON THE PROFILE OF THE DENTIST OF THE FUTURE

The guiding principle of the CED with regard to the future of dentistry is that every European citizen should have access to high-quality oral healthcare provided by well-trained, skilled and fully competent dentists using the latest and most appropriate technology.

For more information:

www.cedentists.eu/library/policy.html?filter_id=61

CED POSITION ON THE DIRECTIVE FOR A PROPORTIONALITY TEST BEFORE THE ADOPTION OF NEW REGULATION FOR PROFESSIONS

While regulation of health professionals is based on the need to protect essential public interest, the planned introduction of an obligatory proportionality test would greatly limit the margin of discretion and scope for national authorities.

The CED asked for health professions to be excluded from the scope of the planned Directive on a proportionality test for regulation professions to bring it into line with the approach to health enshrined in the EU Treaties, relevant EU legislation and EU case law.

For more information: link

www.cedentists.eu/library/policy.html?filter_id=73

PUBLIC EVENTS



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Economics vs Health? EU Proportionality Test for Health Professions



18 October 2017

European Parliament, Brussels

Co-hosts:

MEP Lieve Wierinck, MEP Dr. Peter Liese

Co-organisers:

PGEU, CPME, CED

On 18 October 2017, in a meeting hosted by MEP Lieve Wierinck and MEP Dr Peter Liese, the Council of European Dentists (CED), the Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME) and the Pharmaceutical Group of the European Union (PGEU) brought EU and national stakeholders together to discuss 'Economics vs Health? An EU Proportionality Test for Health Professions'. The debate looked at the impact of the proposal for a Directive on a proportionality test before adoption of new regulation of professions on health professions.

PUBLIC EVENTS



Integrated Care – Don't forget about the Mouth



29 November 2017

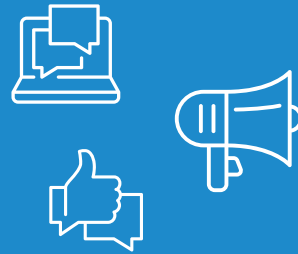
European Parliament, Brussels

Co-hosts:
MEP Adina-loana Valean, MEP Nessa Childers

Organiser:
CED

The CED's annual event took place under the title "Integrated Care – Don't forget about the Mouth" on 29 November, 2017 at the European Parliament. Together with the co-hosts MEP Adina-loana Valean and MEP Nessa Childers and representatives from the European institutions, academia, health professionals and public health organisations, it was discussed that dentists should be part of an integrated care team throughout a patient's life.

COMMUNICATIONS



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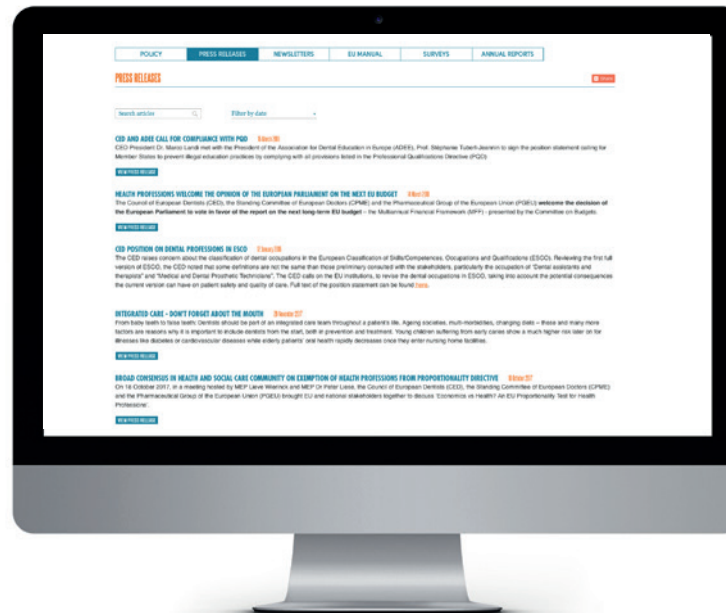
Mailings to members

Press releases

Articles published in newspapers

Member survey

Lobby packages



WORKING GROUPS



WORKING GROUP AMALGAM:

- Focus on the finalisation and implementation of the EU Mercury Regulation and its impact on dental amalgam
- Other topics included alternative materials, endocrine disruptors and nanoparticles



Dr. Susie Sanderson (UK),
Chair of the Working Group

WORKING GROUP EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

- Focus on the profile of the dentist of the future and the classification of the dental professions in the European Skills/Competence, Qualifications and Occupations
- Other topics included the continuous professional development, the quality of dental education and proposed changes to the Annex V.3/5.3.1 of Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications



Prof. Dr. Paulo Melo (PT),
Chair of the Working Group

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WORKING GROUP E-HEALTH:

- Focus on gathering dentists' opinion on the use of ePrescriptions and monitoring the pace of the digital transformation in dentistry
- Other topics included standards on information, interoperability, data protection, cybersecurity and digital skills of the workforce



Dr. Piret Väli (EE),
Chair of the Working Group

WORKING GROUP INFECTION CONTROL AND WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Focus on monitoring of the progress on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2008/98/EC on waste
- Other topics included the Waste Water related issues, sterilisation practices and methods of disposing of contaminated dental waste



Prof. Dr. Ioannis Tzoutzas (EL),
Chair of the Working Group

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WORKING GROUP MEDICAL DEVICES:

- Focus on the implementation of the Medical Devices Regulation (MDR) and its impact on dentistry
- Other topics included the health technology assessment and 3D printing in dentistry



Dr. Edoardo Cavallè (IT),
Chair of the Working Group

WORKING GROUP ORAL HEALTH:

- Focus on integrated care including the event on 29 November
- Other topics included third party payers and general anesthesia in children

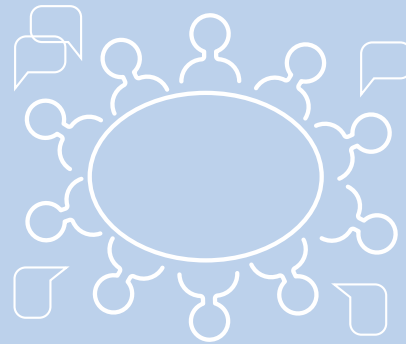


Dr. Hendrike van Drie (NL),
Chair of the Working Group
until August



Dr. Henk Donker (NL)
Chair of the Working Group
from September

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WORKING GROUP PATIENT SAFETY:

- Focus on monitoring policy developments related to the patient safety
- Other topics included the high quality of dental healthcare and reduction of adverse events



Dr. Matti Pöyry (FI),
Chair of the Working Group

WORKING GROUP TOOTH WHITENING PRODUCTS:

- Focus on the restrictions on tooth whitening in persons under 18
- Other topics included the safe use of tooth whitening products

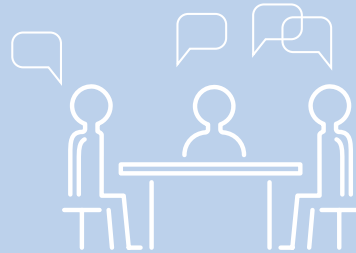


Dr. Stefaan Hanson (BE),
Chair of the Working Group until September



Dr. Paulo Melo (PT) interim Chair of the Working Group from October

TASK FORCES



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TASK FORCE ANTIBIOTICS

- Focus on the EU One Health Action Plan on AMR
- Other topics included the EU Joint Action on AMR and the European Antibiotic Awareness Day

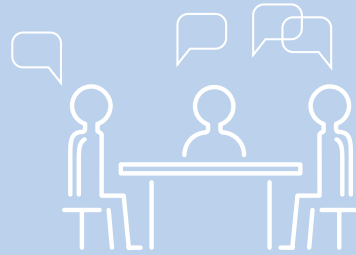
Dr. Hans Schrangl (AT),
Chair of the Task Force

TASK FORCE COMMUNICATIONS

- Focus on the development of the Annual Report, social media activity and update of the website
- Other points included the evaluation of past communication strategies and planning of the future activities

Mrs. Nina Brandelet-Bernot (CED Secretariat),
Chair of the Task Force

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TASK FORCE ETHICS

- Focus on the revision of the CED Code of Ethics

Dr. Piret Väli (EE),
Chair of the Task Force

TASK FORCE INTERNAL MARKET

- Focus on the Proposal for a Directive on the Proportionality Test before the Adoption of Regulation of Professions
- Other topics included partial access to the dental profession, the General Data Protection Regulation and standards in healthcare services

Dr. Alexander Tolmeijer (NL), Chair of the Task Force

CED BOARD OF DIRECTORS



The Board of Directors is composed of eight members, elected by the General Meeting every three years. The Board carries out political leadership and secures proper and efficient administration of the CED.



Dr. Hans Schrangl
Director



Dr. Alexander Tolmeijer
Director



Dr. Marco Landi
President



Dr. Piret Väli
Vice-President



Dr. Mick Armstrong
Treasurer



Dr. Doniphan Hammer
Director



Prof. Dr. Paulo Melo
Director



Dr. Freddie Sloth-Lisbjerg
Director



CED SECRETARIAT



The **CED Secretariat** is composed of a permanent staff of four. It constantly monitors policy developments, maintains contacts with European Institutions and stakeholders and implements the decisions taken by the General Meeting and the Board of Directors.



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