

To the CED Board

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Regarding Application for the position of Director – CED Board Elections 2025

Dear Members of the CED Board,

I am pleased to submit my candidacy for the position of Director on the CED Board, motivated by my commitment to advancing European dental policy and strengthening collaboration among national associations. Since July 2022, I have served as President of the Royal Dutch Dental Association (KNMT), representing over 10,000 dentists, dental specialists and dental students in the Netherlands. With extensive clinical, managerial, and governance experience, I am eager to contribute to the strategic development and success of the CED. Please find my curriculum vitae attached in support of my application.

Sub A.2. a) A description of my activities within the CED

I am pleased to contribute to the following CED bodies:

- o Participation in the Working Group on Education & Professional Qualifications
- o Participation in the Taskforce Internal Market

Sub A.2. b) The activities and achievements for KNMT in my role as President comprise the following:

- Successfully spearheaded the integration following the merger of KNMT with ANT.
- Preserving the six-year dental education program and creating additional training
 positions to ensure high-quality professional training and to enhance the capacity and
 quality of the dental workforce.
- Adjustment of the WTZA legislation in collaboration with the First Line Care Coalition, reducing administrative burden for dental practices.

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- Support of dentists in cost research and legal action against the NZa, protecting fair tariffs and financial stability of dental practices.
- Promoting international collaboration to enhance the capacity and quality of dental workforce.

Sub A.2. c) Priorities I would propose to address during my three-year term as Director (until November 2028)

- Enhance cooperation between national associations aiming at reinforcement of the capacity and quality of European Dentists.
- Focus on reducing administrative burden for dentists.
- Protect fair pricing and (financial) stability of dental practices.

I am confident that my combination of clinical, entrepreneurial, and governance experience positions me to contribute effectively to the CED Board. I look forward to the opportunity to further advance our shared objectives.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Hans de Vries

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