

## Report

On 9-11 December, 2009 in the city of Kiev (Ukraine) the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress under the aegis of ERO-FDI took place. The Congress was organized by the Ukrainian Dental Association (President – Prof. *Konstantin Kosenko*), International Association of Dental Promotion (IADP), Supporting Member of FDI, and European Academy of Education and Promotion (INEP).

Pan-European Dental Congresses have already become a tradition. The 1<sup>st</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress took place in 2007 in Moscow (Russia), the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress took place in 2008 in Istanbul (Turkey) and coincided with the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Turkish Dental Association.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress in Kiev was the biggest that the post-Soviet republic has ever had. In this connection experts noted the well-organized job of the International Organizing Committee headed by the President of the Congress – Dr *Vladimir Sadovski* (Russia) and Scientific Chairman of the Congress – Prof. *Alex Mersel* (Israel). Owing to their efforts the decision to hold first five Pan-European Dental Congresses in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe was taken by the ERO-FDI, which is very important for equalizing the level of dentistry between East and West.

The leading medical dental institutions of Ukraine were involved in the organization of the Congress – Dental Institute of Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine, Institute of Dentistry NMAPO, National Dental University of A.A. Bogomolc and core associations of

Ukrainian Dental Association.

More than 2500 dentists from different countries participated in the Congress. As President of ERO-FDI, Dr *Patrick Hescot* stated in his address: “The dentist of the future should therefore be capable of promoting oral health in a competitive environment, of managing the entire care process, and of ensuring post-treatment maintenance – three competencies that will be addressed in depth in the conferences and symposia scheduled during this 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress.”

In total, 58 lectures were given at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress – 32 of them by international speakers. The work of the Congress was assisted by the leading specialists from USA, Germany, Switzerland, Hungary, France, Israel, Italy, Liechtenstein, Belgium, Lebanon, Brazil, Iran, Belorussia, Ukraine and Russia.

It is important to note that of eight clinical symposia of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress among which are: Prosthetic Dentistry (International Chairman – Prof. *Vjekoslav Jerolimov* – Croatia, Local Co-Chairman Prof. *V. P. Nespryadko*, Prof. *V. F. Makeev* – Ukraine), Conservative Dentistry (International Chairman – Prof. *Eli Raviv* – Canada, Local Co-Chairman Prof. *G. F. Beloklitskaya* – Ukraine), Endodontic Dentistry (International Chairman – Prof. *Taner Yucel* – Turkey, Local Co-Chairman Prof. *A. M. Politun* – Ukraine), Dental Implantology (International Chairman – Prof. *Regina Mericske-Stern* – Switzerland, Local Co-Chairmen Dr *M. M. Uhryn*, Prof. *V. A. Malanchuk* – Ukraine), Preventive Dentistry (International Chairman – Prof.

*Denis Bourgeois* – France, Local Co-Chairman – Prof. *L. A. Khomenko* – Ukraine), Esthetic Dentistry (International Chairman – Prof. *Georg Meyer* – Germany, Local Co-Chairman – Dr *S. V. Radlinsky* – Ukraine), Orthodontic Dentistry (International Chairman Prof. *Andre Zentner* – Germany, Local Co-Chairmen Prof. *P. S. Flis*, Dr *M. S. Dragomiretskaya* – Ukraine) Management and E-Learning symposium is getting more and more actual (International Chairman – Prof. *Jonathan Mann* – Israel, Local-Co-Chairmen Prof. *A. V. Pavlenko*, Prof. *I. P. Mazur* – Ukraine).

Honorary guest of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress was Past President of FDI – Dr *Michele Aerden* (Belgium) and Academician of Russian Academy of Medical Sciences, Prof. *V. K. Leontiev* (Russia).

Informal communication of participants in the Congress continued among the stands of the “Medvin” dental exhibition and at the official opening ceremony of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress which took place on 10 December, 2009. During that ceremony the President of Ukrainian Dental Association Prof. *K. N. Kosenko*, Chief Dental Officer of the Ministry of Public Health of Ukraine Prof. *A. V. Pavlenko*, Chairmen of symposia of the Congress and also Director of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress Dr. *R. H. Kamalov* were awarded with Orders of the Candle – the highest award of International Association of Dental Promotion (IADP), Supporting Member of FDI.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress was held with the support of the Global Partner which traditionally was the case of the Congresses held by FDI was COLGATE COMPANY. The other Global Partner of the Congress was the Ukrainian company MEDVIN which is

well-known in dental world for its huge dental exhibitions on the territory of Ukraine.

Well-known leading dental companies such as Dentsply, Sirona, KerrHawe, Geistlich, U-Impl, Dentaureum became Platinum Partners of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress. Gold Partners of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress included the following companies: Zila, Vital EVV, W&H, Heraeus, TP Orthodontics, Titanium Fix. Within Silver Partnership were presented such companies as VIVAX DENT, NSK, VITA, ST MICROSCOPIA, Boston Institute of Esthetic Dentistry and OLIMPEX. Partners of different symposia of the Congress were other well-known dental companies such as: Ivoclar Vivadent, Meisinger, R.O.C.S., Tekscan, SS White, Septodont, Morita, ZEISS, Ligeya and Maximus. Summing up the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress we can say for sure – the Congress was a success.

According to the opinion of the participants in the Congress, who received certificates of participation, new knowledge, and scientific and promotional materials, the organization of such professional international thematic events in the future is vital, effective and should become a tradition. Participants in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress were satisfied with the high level of scientific program and the level of organization of the event in general.

See you at the 4<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Dental Congress. Where? Probably in Poland or Kazakhstan. Voting will show...

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