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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

The FDI World Dental Federation (FDI) represents over 200 national dental associations and specialist groups. Their mission is to lead the world to optimal oral health, acknowledging that oral health is a fundamental part of general health and well-being. This vision is brought to life through being the leading global advocate for oral health, and delivering excellence in oral health policy, oral health promotion, continuing professional education and access to care within dentistry. FDI World Dental Federation has NGO status with both the UN and WHO, and is a partner in the UNEP Global Mercury Partnership, aiming to educate oral health practitioners of alternatives to amalgam and safe environment-considerate disposal of amalgam waste in dental care.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Oral-systemic disease
- Burden of disease and eradication of caries
- Health promotion planning and programmes
- Public-private partnerships
- Continuing professional development

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

FDI World Dental Federation works in the areas of health policy, health promotion and access to care. In the area of health policy, FDI issues policy statements for the use of its member associations and governments, thus aiming to shape national health policies. In the area of health promotion, FDI conducts various programmes in partnership with its member associations and sponsors. Furthermore, in its focus on access to care, FDI works to improve the safety and effectiveness of the oral health delivery system. Additionally, continuing professional development is promoted and achieved via the Annual World Dental Congress and the regional training networks in the five operating regions of FDI.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

FDI World Dental Federation is governed by a council elected by a general assembly of delegates from its member associations. The General Assembly meets once per year at the Annual World Dental Congress held in a different member country each year. The multi-national staff includes experts in health policy, health promotion, finance and administration, and congress planning and execution. The executive director is Enzo Bondioni.

FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET

Income is derived from membership subscriptions, the Annual World Dental Congress, corporate partnerships and donations. Total income in 2018 was CHF 5.459.000 of which 48% came from corporate partnerships and 28% from membership fees, 17% from congress.

PUBLICATIONS

See all publications at: <https://www.fdiworlddental.org/resources>

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