

# The EFOSA Headlines

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**86th Congress of the European Orthodontic Society, June 15-19, 2010 Portoroz, Slovenia.**



## A Letter from the President



Dear friends in all Europe,

The WFO has published the 2009 "Guidelines for Post-graduate Orthodontic Education". The EFOSA Council has commented upon the fact that only two years full-time training is recommended by the WFO. As you all know, the Erasmus program utilized in most training institutions in Europe is at least three years full-time. During the 7<sup>th</sup> International Orthodontic Congress, arranged by the Australian Orthodontic Society in Sydney this year, I as President of the EFOSA commented on this fact at the WFO Council meeting and asked the WFO Executive Committee to reconsider the statements made in their "Guidelines". Additionally, I learned while in Sydney that some American Universities changed the duration of their programs from two to two and a half years. The delegates of the member organizations will discuss this issue during the EFOSA GAM. Hopefully we will come to a common standpoint and make the necessary change in the WFO Guidelines.

The EFOSA Council is supporting the EOS Teachers Forum and the creation of NEBEOP (Network of Erasmus Based European Orthodontic Programs). Professor Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman, from Nijmegen, the Netherlands, has taken these initiatives to improve and maintain training quality and also to introduce a quality certification of training institutions. She will present at the forthcoming EFOSA General Assembly Meeting (GAM) in Portoroz, Slovenia.

The EFOSA also had an exhibition booth in Sydney mainly to promote the ESAS (EFOSA Self Assessment System). Information about various conditions of practicing orthodontics in different parts of Europe based on a recent questionnaire answered by the officers of the member countries of the EFOSA was given.

This year the EFOSA will elect a new Council. The term for the officers is four years. I will take this opportunity to thank the people who now are leaving the Council. Claude Bourdillat-Mikol, France, our Treasurer for having established a very good

financial situation. Frank de Winter, the Netherlands, our Web-master and Secretary especially for accomplishing the ESAS and the EFOSA Quality Newsletter. I also want to thank the Vice President Alexandros Kokkas, Greece, for the EFOSA Headlines and the survey of European Orthodontic Health Insurance Systems. Finally, many thanks to Milan Kaminek, Czech Republic, for his good ideas and initiatives. They have all dedicated many hours of hard work to improve the situation for our colleagues and helped and supported me to keep the organization together.

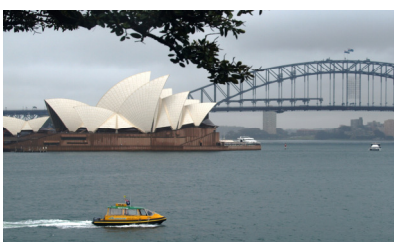
The next Annual Meeting will take place in Portoroz, Slovenia the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2010. It is my hope that the remaining EU-countries will join the EFOSA creating a powerful body to represent our profession in Europe.

I will be happy too see all of you in Portoroz.

Thank you very much,

Lars Medin  
EFOSA President

## 7th International Orthodontic Congress, Sydney 2010



The 7th IOC was held in Sydney, 6-9 February 2010. More than 3600 participants attended the Congress. E.F.O.S.A. being a

World Federation of Orthodontists (W.F.O.) member was represented by the President Lars Medin, the Vice-President Alexandros Kokkas and the Treasurer Claude Bourdillat-Mikol.

During the opening ceremony all orthodontic societies, associations and federations members of W.F.O. were presented.

On February 4th, 2010, the W.F.O. Council



Meeting took place. Delegates came from

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93 countries and represented 90 W.F.O. affiliated societies and associations. The W.F.O. Council consists of one member from each affiliated organization plus forty additional at-large members elected on a pro-rata basis according to the number of dues paying fellows from each affiliated organization. The major duties of the Council are: 1. Nominate and elect from among Council members, the President, Vice-President, and the five members of the Executive Committee. 2. Determine the site of the next IOC after hearing the recommendation of the Executive Committee and consulting with members in the prospective host country. 3. Elect by majority vote the honorary members of the WFO and 4. Approve the financial

statements prepared by the Secretary-General.

E.F.O.S.A. s' delegate to the W.F.O. Council Meeting was President Lars Medin. During the Meeting, Lars Medin addressed the delegates about the "W.F.O. Guidelines for Postgraduate Orthodontic Education" and asked for a three year minimum orthodontic specialty program.

In the main Congress Building E.F.O.S.A. had a booth with E.O.S. and F.E.O. Orthodontists from all over the world had the chance to watch the ESAS promoting video and to learn about E.F.O.S.A. and its tasks and responsibilities. On display there was a big TV screen showing the ESAS system and a folder with all E.F.O.S.A s' publications.



### Prof. Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman at the 41st EFOSA General Assembly



Professor Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman who will address the 41st EFOSA GAM is the Chairperson of the Department of Orthodontics and Oral Biology in

Nijmegen since 1995. She received her Dental Degree, MOrth and PhD from the University of Nijmegen, the Netherlands. She served as the President of the Dutch Society of Orthodontics (1996-2001), and the Dutch Cleft Lip and Palate Association (1996-1998). She was also a member of Council of the European Orthodontic Society and President of the E.O.S. in 2005 in Amsterdam. Professor Kuijpers-Jagtman is also Editor-

in-Chief of Orthodontics and Craniofacial Research journal and on the editorial board of several other international orthodontic journals. She is an active and leading member of the E.O.S. Teachers Forum and a main contributor to the creation of NEBEOP (Network of Erasmus Based European Orthodontic Programs) in 2007.

#### Election of New Council Members

Lars Medin's (President), Alexandros Kokkas's (Vice President), Frank de Winter's (Secretary) and Claude Bourdillat-Mikol's (Treasurer) four year term will end in June when the EFOSA GAM will take place. Milan Kaminek's (member) term will end next year. A new President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will be elected by the Assembly for a period of four years starting right after the GAM in Portoroz, Slovenia.

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