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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

For the past two years, I had the honor and privilege to serve as the IADT President. First, I would like to start by acknowledging all executive officers, Dr. Lamar Hicks, Dr. Liran Levin, Dr. Anne O'Connell and Dr. Alex Moule and express my immense gratitude for their mentorship, support and hard work. I would also like to thank all IADT Directors and all IADT Committees for their contribution and hard work in different aspects important for the outreach of our organization.

From the beginning, I had a clear vision and set very specific goals to be accomplished. Among them, organizing the 20th WCDT, support local associations around the world, strengthen our presence in social media with education for all, developing a new and free Dental Trauma App for patients and professionals, appoint a new committee in charge of reviewing evidence-based research toward discussion and development of new Trauma Guidelines, join forces with the DTG (Dental Trauma Guide) allowing free access to IADT members. During these two years, IADT was also instrumental in supporting the Dental Traumatology Journal, the Core Outcome Study published in 2018 and the IADT Fellowship program.

Without a doubt, the highlight of the two-year President term was the World Congress in Dental Traumatology which took place last August in San Diego, California. The conference was a great success and the positive feedback keep coming. As Chair of the Congress, Dr. Lamar Hicks deserves tons of credit for his experienced leadership. There is really no word to truly represent the magnitude of

his contribution to our Association. I also want to express my appreciation to Dr. Liran Levin who was able to develop the most comprehensive multidisciplinary program with the best speakers in the world. This is not an overstatement. I truly believe that the number of high quality speakers combined with the extraordinary content released will allow this congress to be remembered as one of the best congresses ever.

Last but not the least, I would like to thank you all, IADT members, directors, officers and staff for your trust and support. It's now time to pass the wand to the new upcoming President, Dr. Anne O'Connell, and wish her plenty of success. I have no doubt she will be an amazing leader who will make us all very proud.



Sincerely, Nestor Cohenca. President IADT

2- IADT Directors Election Results

IADT is pleased to announce the results of the recent Directors' election. The IADT members below will be serving as Directors for a two-year term starting on January 1, 2019 and ending on December 31, 2020.

- 1. Jens Ove Andreasen (Denmark)
- 2. Marie Therese Flores (Chile)
- 3. William (Bill) Kahler (Australia)
- 4. Stephen Harlamb (Australia)
- 5. Adeleke Oginni (Nigeria)
- 6. Georgios Tsilingaridis (Sweden)
- 7. Zafer Cehreli (Turkey/USA)
- 8. Marc Semper (Germany)

Congratulations to these eight members for their election to the Board of Directors of the IADT. They will have the responsibility of leadership in devising successful strategies and making sound decisions in this fast-moving age of digital communication and continuing needs for high quality lay and professional education on a global scale in dental traumatology.

For those nominees who were unsuccessful this time in their candidacy, IADT thanks them for their interest and dedication to the IADT and looks forward to their continued participation in IADT affairs through committees involvement, project work and innovative educational endeavors.

IADT thanks Doctor Asgeir Sigurdsson, Chair of the Directors Nominating Committee, for developing the slate of nominees for the election.

3- Report of the World Congress in DT in San Diego

Spectacular Program Highlights of the 20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology

The 20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology (WCDT) was held in San Diego, California (USA) from August 15-18, 2018. The four-day program was the most ambitious and comprehensive program ever presented at a World Congress. Partnering with the American Association of Endodontists (AAE), the IADT presented an astoundingly wide array of educational opportunities for the almost 600 attendees. The first day of the conference featured six workshops, attended by more than 250 dental professionals, on topics ranging from implementing CBCT technology in the diagnosis of dental trauma to executing a thorough physical and psychological exam of patients who had incurred head and neck trauma.

The next three days of the congress featured 15 keynote speakers and 27 invited speakers in concurrent sessions, representing 13 different countries on 5 continents. In addition, four research (3) and case report (1) sessions provided current information on a wide variety of dental trauma investigations and patient treatment and diagnostic strategies. A poster session featured 76 different presentations by clinicians and researchers from around the world on trauma research, epidemiology, treatment and diagnostic approaches, and a host of other topics. A sold-out Lunch and Learn session featured 22 dental trauma experts from around the world holding highly interactive educational sessions for small groups of 10 clinicians each on a wide variety of dental trauma topics.

Notably, more than 120 full-time educators attended the Congress. Recognizing the potential for a large attendance of educators, the Congress offered an Educators Forum, organized by Dr. Leif Bakland (Loma Linda University). The Forum featured four dental trauma educators who provided surprising insights and creative strategies for dental trauma education in different environments. Discussion ranged from innovative learning strategies for predoctoral dental students to educating elite athletes on protecting the dentition and other oral structures during high intensity sports at the university and professional levels.

A highlight of the congress was the presentation of the Jens O. Andreasen Lifetime Achievement Award in Dental Traumatology to Dr. Mitsuhiro Tsukiboshi, DDS, PhD, of Aichi, Japan. The Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest award that can be conferred on a member by the IADT. It is given only occasionally to a distinguished IADT member who, during their lifetime, has made exceptional contributions in dental traumatology in research, traumatology education, and organizational leadership. Dr. Tsukiboshi, recognized as the world's authority on tooth autotransplantation, a high-profile author and a highly respected leader in Japanese trauma organizations and the IADT, epitomized the long-term contributions embodied in the award criteria.

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For many, the Congress provided a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet, be photographed with and listen to the father of modern dental traumatology, Dr. Jens Ove Andreasen. Dr. Andreasen's closing remarks presented a captivating allegorical story of a fibroblast cell that suffered the lethal harshness of exposure to an unfriendly and unforgiving world after tooth avulsion. At the end, the standing room only audience in the plenary hall stood as one to show their appreciation and respect for the person most responsible for the prominent position dental traumatology has in the dental and allied professions worldwide.

Finally, in addition to the robust scientific program, conference attendees enjoyed several receptions and a spectacular gala dinner aboard the newly commissioned California Spirit chartered yacht as it plied the waters of San Diego Bay on a sunset cruise.

Thanks to the tireless work of the Co-chairs of the Scientific Program Committee, Drs. Liran Levin (University of Alberta, Canada) and Roberta Pileggi (University of Florida, USA), along with their committee members, the 20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology was a huge success in providing attendees with an unprecedented educational experience in dental trauma. It also gave attendees the opportunity to see and hear first hand almost all the experts in dental traumatology from around the globe.

M. Lamar Hicks, DDS, MS, FIADT, FACD, FICD Co-Chair, Conference Organizing Committee - WCDT 2018



The beautiful main conference hall full of participants during the 20th WCDT in San Diego in August 2018.



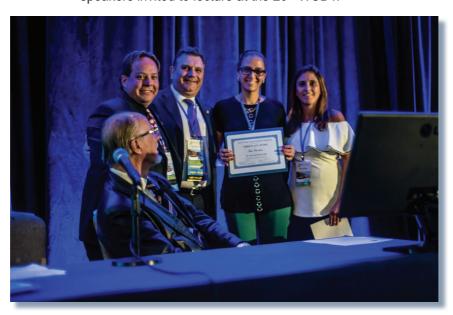








Attentive participants eager to get the best and up to date knowledge in dental trauma from worldwide high quality speakers invited to lecture at the 20th WCDT.



Several prizes were given during the 20th WCDT. In the picture, Drs. Jens Andreasen, Liran Levin, Nestor Cohenca, Roberta Pileggi with award recipient Dr. Lea Assed Bezerra Silva.

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Cheerful moments of exchange and friendliness among Congress participants and in front of IADT's "Save Your tooth" poster.

20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology

AUGUST 15 - 18, 2018 San Diego, California USA

Presented by the IADT and the AAE



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4- IADT Goes Green

Dear IADT Members,

In recent years, in an effort to limit negative environmental influences, many journals, publishing houses and libraries worldwide are moving away from printed publications to online distribution of information. Recently, the IADT Board decided to join that important trend and move forward to online subscriptions for the IADT's flagship journal, *Dental Traumatology*.

Although some of us still like the feel of a printed journal in our hands or to see it on the shelf, we all know and recognize the negative effect that the publication industry has had on our global environment. Thus, we have decided to contribute in our own humble way to preserving our environment by officially changing the policy for our subscriptions. Starting in January 2019, we will be offering an online subscription to our entire membership. IADT will no longer distribute the printed version of *Dental Traumatology* to our members. This will also include an online only IADT newsletter that will be sent via email to the membership. For those who must have a printed copy of the journal, it will only be available for an additional fee.

We are confident that you, as a loyal member of the IADT, will value your organization's contribution to conservation and will give your wholehearted support to this important decision. This move will also assist in keeping membership fees as low as possible.

With a friendlier approach to our planet, *Dental Traumatology* will continue to publish high quality clinical and scientific papers and serve the worldwide dental trauma community as the official voice of the IADT.

Yours collegially, Nestor Cohenca, President IADT

5- Next IADT's Fellowship Exam in 2019

Doctor Ann O'Connell, Chair of the Fellowhip Committee, announces that the **next IADT's** Fellowship examination will take place from May 31 to June 2, 2019.

Details about the requirements for Fellowship can be found in the IADT website in the Fellowship page. If you are already a member or if you become an IADT member, you are eligible for this exam and award. A special recognition pin is given to all new IADT Fellows.



IADT Fellow pin

SAVE THE DATE JUNE 21-23,





2019! XI-AN, CHINA

The "1st Chinese International Dental Traumatology Conference - sponsored by the IADT" Xi-An, China, 2019

2019年中国西安将举办"第一届国际牙外伤大会"

-中华口腔医学会口腔急诊专委会主办, 国际牙外伤协会资助





China Organizing Committee
Society of Somatological Emergency (SSE), CSA.
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