Dear Colleagues and Friends.

It's a true honor to serve as New President of this impressive association. Its history, reputation, leaders, members, and the mission it carries are amazing. It represents so many admirable qualities including goodwill, caring, inspiration, forward thinking, education, compassion and support of communities around the world. It aims at everyone and everywhere. We are all sharing the passion of preventing and treating traumatic dental injuries (TDI) and saving children’s smiles.

Before I start with my report, I must thank our amazing past-president Alex Moule for two magnificent years of leadership. Like all past-presidents, Alex gave his very best. The most impressive fact that not many people know is that Alex is one of the most humble persons I have ever met. He does so much without taking the credit he deserves. I have learned immensely from working with him as well as with Lamar Hicks, Lars Anderson and Ayse Nil Altay. I have always acknowledged and thanked all mentors I met throughout my career. I can’t start listing all of them, because there are too many, but let’s say that I was blessed to be around the right people at the right time. Hopefully the blend of all my mentors and my own personal passion will guide me through the next couple of years.

So far 2017 has been intense in the most positive way. We are working simultaneously on many new projects toward the goal of developing a stronger and more far-reaching organization, better able to meet its global mission. We would not have been able to do it without you, the members. Your support means a lot to all Directors, and I thank you for renewing your IADT membership for 2017. And thank you to the new members who are joining us daily.
We have developed and approved all standing committees that should start their work soon. As part of IADT’s growth, we also created new committees to cover new challenges. Among them, the WCDT Planning committee, led by IADT President-Elect Anne O’Connell, the Membership and Recruitment committee, led by IADT Secretary Liran Levin, the Social Media committee lead by yours truly and last but definitely not least, the Trauma Guidelines and Glossary committee led by Board Director Fred Barnett. The latter will provide important support to constantly review evidence-based research and present scientific recommendations to the Board of Directors. The work of this committee will allow the Board to stay current, unbiased, and scientifically informed to discuss whether revisions of the IADT Trauma Guidelines are required.

As reported on the last Newsflash, the Dental Trauma Guide (DTG) has been updated to a new platform and is now charging an annual subscription fee of $25 per person/year. The IADT has been a pillar recognizing the extraordinary value of the DTG to clinicians around the world and its unique contribution to the field of dental traumatology. I am pleased to announce that we have successfully reached an agreement that will provide free access to DTG for all IADT members in good standing. It’s a win-win agreement that will ensure the continued IADT’s long-time support for this invaluable educational resource, while providing real-time access to the DTG as a benefit of IADT membership.

After almost two years of work, both behind the scenes and in leadership forums, I am pleased to report that the American Association of Endodontists (AAE) has agreed to join the IADT as a partner in hosting the 20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology in the United States in 2018. The 3-day Congress will present the most comprehensive and multidisciplinary scientific program ever held, devoted exclusively to dental traumatology. It will feature the best clinicians and researchers in the field from around the globe. The Congress will be held in San Diego, California, August 16-18, 2018. Please mark your calendars for this historic event, as this will be a conference to remember.

Lastly, we have been communicating with national and international organizations that are related to the field of dental traumatology. These relationships will not only open new doors for collaboration but will also fulfill our mission of promoting research, education and awareness of dental traumatology around the globe. Stay tuned.

Sincerely,
Nestor Cohenca
President, IADT
Dear IADT members,

These are exciting times for our great organization. The IADT is growing and an increasing number of new members are joining our unique association. We are starting our intensive work towards the 20th World Congress on Dental Traumatology (WCDT 2018). This will be a top-of-the-line multidisciplinary conference devoted to dental trauma that will be jointly hosted by the IADT and the AAE (American Association of Endodontists). Please make sure you save the date and attend (August 16-18, 2018). The collaboration between the two organizations will ensure a superb event for all of us.

As you may know, the Dental Trauma Guide (DTG) is not an open access tool anymore and requires an annual subscription. The IADT Board is happy to announce that IADT will cover the cost of the DTG subscription for its active members. Thus, the access will be free of charge through the IADT website in the ‘members only’ section. This important agreement negotiated by the IADT is a benefit that will allow IADT members to use this great tool with no additional cost.

The IADT is looking for volunteers to join its working groups and committees. If you wish to get involved and support the future of our association, please let us know.

As always, we keep promoting dental trauma knowledge and prevention around the world. Your ideas or suggestions are welcome– we will be more than happy to hear from you.

Yours,

Liran Levin
IADT’s Secretary
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3- IADT Welcomes New “Fellows by examination”

IADT congratulates Dr. Geertje Van Gorp, Dr. Michał Sobczak and Dr. Rogério de Almeida Geraldino as the most recent new Fellows of the International Association of Dental Traumatology. The three of them have qualified and successfully passed the examination held in October, 2016.

Geertje Van Gorp

I am a dentist in Belgium with a specialization in both Endodontontology and Pediatric Dentistry & Special Care and have a private practice limited to adult and pediatric endodontics and dental traumatology. Maintaining that focus on dental trauma, I am a consultant in pediatric dentistry and endodontology at the Department of Oral Health Sciences, University Hospital of Leuven.

As a Doctoral Researcher at the Unit for Populations Studies in Oral Health, KU Leuven, Belgium, my PhD topic is “Management of traumatized (immature) teeth in children needing orthodontic tooth regulation.” Dental traumatology is of special interest for our multidisciplinary team that includes Pediatrics, Orthodontics, Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery - Imaging & Pathology, and an Autotransplantation Group.

At the university clinic we are working on a uniform intake of trauma patients in addition to consultations with orthodontics. Postgraduate students are involved in the program and participate in consultations on dental trauma.

I am certified member of the ESE (European Society of Endodontontology) and an active member of the following organizations: FSF (Flemish Society for Endodontology), the AAE, IADR, IADT, the BAET (Belgian Association of Endodontontology and Traumatology), the BAPD (Belgian Academy of Paediatric Dentistry), and the EAPD. I have served as a board member of the ESMD (European Society of Microscopic Dentistry).

I would like to thank the IADT Board and its Fellowship Committee for giving me the opportunity to broaden my knowledge and earn a valued credential in dental traumatology. I would like to express my sincere admiration for the IADT’s work and commitment and hope to be able to contribute to achieving the organization’s goals in the future.
Rogério de Almeida Geraldino

I graduated from the School of Dentistry João Prudente in Anápolis, state of Goias in Brazil and received specialty training in Pediatric Dentistry at the Hospital das Forças Armada and in Collective Health in Dentistry at the University of Brasilia. In addition, I earned a Masters degree in Health Sciences, also at the University of Brasilia. My other positions include co-owner of a private clinic, “CABI Odontologia,” invited lecturer at several specialty courses, tutor in the “Dental Trauma Project: Prevention and Treatment” at the University Hospital of Brasilia-UnB, and consultant in Accident Prevention in schools.

Since the beginning of my professional career, I noticed that many of my dental colleagues had difficulty in providing adequate care to children with dental injuries. Identifying this problem led to the development in 2003 of an emergency dental service dedicated exclusively to children and adolescents, the "Odontopediátricas 24 horas," where diagnosis and treatment are based on IADT’s protocols. In response to a growing demand, my master’s thesis in 2014 focused on the use of Teledentistry to assist in the diagnosis of dental trauma. Currently my interest centers on the application of Teledentistry and Laser Therapy in the management of dental trauma.

I am ready both now and in the future to enthusiastically support the IADT and its renowned international members, who have helped me so much with scientific productions. After much study and dedication, the recognition earned with the title IADT Fellow will help strengthen our work of disseminating the theme of dental traumatology to colleagues, other health professionals, and the society at large here in Brazil. It will also stimulate our continuing search for excellence in the provision of care for trauma patients and their families.

Michal Sobczak

I graduated in Dentistry from the Medical University of Warsaw in 2000, where I was staff member in the Pediatric Dentistry Department until 2007. I completed Pediatric Dentistry specialization training at that institution in 2005. In 2007, at the same university, I defended by PhD thesis, which was dedicated to traumatic crown fractures in the permanent dentition.

For 17 years my main field of interest has been in Dental Traumatology. My current practice in Warsaw specializes in the treatment of trauma patients.

I am a founding member and President of the Polish Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (PASD). As a leader in this Academy, I have ensured that every two years its conferences are devoted to management of traumatic injuries of the teeth. Since 2016, I have been the Editor-in-Chief of the Polish Journal of Paediatric Dentistry (PSD).

I sincerely hope to be a contributing Fellow in furthering the work of IADT for improvement of dental trauma management.
The first Fellowship Breakfast was held during the 19th WCDT (World Congress in Dental Traumatology) in Brisbane in August 2016 to acknowledge all Fellows of IADT, both ‘Foundation Fellows’ and ‘Fellows by Examination’. This genre of get-together is planned to become an integrant part of future IADT World Congresses. President Alex Moule presented all attendees with their official Fellows pin and certificate. Fellows from across the world were present, showing the global reach of IADT.

Professor Jens Andreasen received a special recognition for his outstanding contribution to the field of Traumatology.

Please note that next Fellowship exam will take place in Autumn 2017. Information regarding the IADT Fellowship program can be found on the webpage “IADT Fellowship”.

Alex Moule (President of the 19th WCDT in Brisbane)
Anne O’Connell (Chair, IADT Fellowship Committee)
IADT Fellows all together during the Fellowship breakfast in Brisbane.

Dr. Alex Moule with Dr. Nestor Cohenca (President of IADT as of January 2017)
5- Members’ Accomplishments

1. **Dr. Patricia Maria Felisa Sebelli**-Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the Universidad de Buenos Aires (FOUBA), Argentina.

   Dr. Sebelli was awarded for her research entitled “Traumatic dental injuries” made within the Department of Dentistry for Children of the University of Buenos Aires. Dr. Sebelli and her colleagues’ study aimed to determine the prevalence of dental trauma and compare the differences in primary and permanent dentition injury types in patients seeking unscheduled care. The studied sample showed 13.5% prevalence, with no differences regarding the type of injury between both dentitions.

   Dr. Sebelli received her award during the XVIII Congreso de Odontopediatría ALOP and XXV Congreso Internacional ACOP, held in Santa Marta, Colombia.

   View additional details at http://www.revistaodonopediatria.org/ediciones/2016/2/art-10/

2. **Dr. Liran Levin**-Chair of the Division of Periodontology, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta, Canada.

   IADT Officer and Secretary Dr. Liran Levin of the IADT was featured on the Edmonton Canada Global News Hour on March 15, 2017.

   The Global News Channel, broadcasted to Canadians from coast to coast, interviewed in Dr. Liran Levin in regard to avulsion injuries management. The importance of immediate replantation at the site of injury was promoted and encouraged. Dr. Levin also explained alternative treatment options, such as auto-transplantation, for cases in which replantation was not possible.

   See the full story at http://globalnews.ca/tag/edmonton-health-matters/

6- Save the Date for San Diego

After Australia in 2016, the next IADT Congress will be held from **August 16 to 18, 2018** in San Diego, California.