

Travel bag at the ready, Dr. Allan Thom looks forward to meeting orthodontists around the world this year

Here, Dr. Thom reflects on his first three trips as WFO president

During the successful 8th International Orthodontic Congress® (IOC) in London in September 2015, I was elected president of the World Federation of Orthodontists (WFO). I do not regard this as a personal achievement, but as recognition that the British Orthodontic Society (BOS) has a place upon the world stage.

One of the duties of the WFO president is to visit conferences of affiliate societies. The first three months of my presidency were busy with travel to Italy, Japan and India.

In October 2015, the Società Italiana di Ortodonzia (SIDO) held its 46th SIDO International Congress in Milan, Italy, under the presidency of Dr. Giampietro Farronato. More than 3,000 delegates from Europe, Africa, India, Russia, the Middle East and other countries attended. The excellent lecture sessions were complemented with an extensive trade exhibition.

The SIDO meetings are renowned for wonderful Italian hospitality at the social functions, and this meeting was no exception. One of the highlights was an evening visit to EXPO 2015, a world's fair exhibition that was held in Milan from May to October 2015. The theme of the EXPO was "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life." My wife, Heather, and I had never been to an EXPO fair and were more than surprised by the vast open-air complex of pavilions (some three- or four-stories high) that covered hundreds of acres. Each pavilion, representing a country of the world, had bilingual guides and displays on the use and preservation of the country's natural resources.

Another highlight was the SIDO banquet at Sforza Castle, which is steeped in medieval history. It was a grand occasion.



From left, Dr. Leonid Persin of Moscow, Russia, and Dr. Allan Thom, president of the WFO, enjoy dinner and an evening exploring EXPO 2015 in Milan, Italy. Both were attending the 46th SIDO International Congress.

This was a most enjoyable visit to Italy and has provided lasting memories for me.

In November, I traveled to Japan. Under the presidency of Dr. Hiroyuki Ishikawa, the Japanese Orthodontic Society (JOS) held its 74th Annual Meeting in Fukuoka in southern Japan.

Fukuoka is a delightful city with wide tree-lined streets. There were over 4,600 delegates present at the meeting, which had an array of international speakers and an equally impressive trade show.

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Società Italiana di Ortodonzia offers postgraduate students reduced registration fees for the 47th International Congress

The Società Italiana di Ortodonzia (SIDO) will hold its 47th International Congress Oct. 13-15, 2016, at the Fortezza da Basso in Florence, Italy. Dr. Silvia Allegrini, SIDO president, encourages members of the World Federation of Postgraduate Orthodontic Students (WFPOS) to attend this Congress as SIDO has reduced the registration fee from 200 euros to 60 euros for WFPOS members. WFPOS members may also register for three tyodont courses at no additional cost.

Go to <http://eventi.sido.it/congresso2016> to learn more about the 47th International Congress. The Congress will feature four parallel sessions on the last two days. WFPOS students are also encouraged to participate in a research session and a poster session. The scientific sessions will be simultaneously translated into English.

This is the second time SIDO has reached out to WFPOS students this year. The SIDO International Spring Meeting in March also offered special registration pricing for WFPOS students. Dr. Karolina Kaczor-Urbanowicz, WFPOS president, said that she and the WFPOS officers are seeking similar fee arrangements with other WFO affiliate organizations so that WFPOS members may attend more major international orthodontic congresses.

"Dr. Silvia Allegrini has lent us, WFPOS members, a helpful hand by preparing a special offer especially for us," Dr. Kaczor-Urbanowicz said. "I strongly encourage all WFPOS



Florence, Italy, will be the site of the 47th International Congress of the Società Italiana di Ortodonzia in October 2016. Registration is now open.

members to consider this opportunity to travel to Italy and to enjoy the 47th International Congress in October. It is really unique that Dr. Allegrini approached us students and proposed such an opportunity that creates a new venue for us to broaden our knowledge. The WFPOS highly appreciates her nice gesture to us postgraduates."

For more information about the WFPOS and these meetings, contact Dr. Kaczor-Urbanowicz at wfpos.wfo@gmail.com. The WFPOS is open only to WFO student members, who may join for free. More than 450 WFO student members now participate in the WFPOS.

Dr. Amanda Maplethorp of Canada begins term as WFO vice president



Dr. Amanda Maplethorp

The WFO Executive Committee elected Dr. Amanda Maplethorp of Port Moody, British Columbia, Canada, to serve as WFO vice president in December 2015.

"Dr. Allan Thom called me with the announcement, and I was thrilled," she said. "It is a great honor

for an organization as small as the Canadian Association of Orthodontists (CAO) to have a representative on the Executive Committee, but for me to be elected as vice president is particularly special. Just before I attended the University of British Columbia, I attended the United World College of the Atlantic for two years and loved the global visions of that program. Being on the Executive Committee of the WFO, to me, is a chance to give back both to the great profession of orthodontics and to the United World College global vision. My vision is this: So much can be accomplished if we all work together. I look forward to serving for the next five years."

As vice president, Dr. Maplethorp will assume the duties of the WFO president at the president's request or in the president's temporary absence. While Dr. Maplethorp will not automatically succeed Dr. Allan Thom as WFO president in 2020, she, along with the other members of the 2010-2015 and 2015-2020 WFO Executive Committees, will be eligible to be elected president.

Dr. Maplethorp is serving her second term on the WFO Executive Committee. During her first term, she played an integral role in the redevelopment of the WFO website, www.wfo.org, the new version of which debuted in 2012. As chair of the current WFO Website Committee, she continues to guide the future direction of the site, along with committee members Dr. Panagiotis Skoularikis of Greece and Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid of India. The results so far have been rewarding.

"I enjoy most that information for our members, potential members and the public can be updated within minutes," Dr. Maplethorp said. "I enjoy the challenge of using technology in a financially responsible manner to the best benefit for our members. I would love to see the website translated into many languages, and, hopefully, technology will soon bring that goal within our grasp."

Dr. Maplethorp is also serving on the Bylaws Committee, the History Committee, the Publications Review Committee and the RFP Committee.

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Japanese politeness and hospitality are legendary, and my wife and I were “assigned” a local lecturer and PhD student to look after us, which they did superbly. The Japanese Orthodontic Society delegates were the most generous and wonderful of hosts. I cannot thank them enough for their kindness and precise attention to detail. Surely, this is an indication of what can be expected in 2020 when the JOS will host the 9th IOC in Yokohama just outside Tokyo. This is a date for the diary. I know it will be one of the greatest IOCs in the WFO’s history.



Autumn in Japan is an awe-inspiring sight.

As this was our first visit to Japan (and certainly not the last), it seemed appropriate to visit some of the large cities, including Tokyo, Kyoto and Hiroshima.

Tokyo is a city of delight and surprises. The greatest surprise was the ever-steepening learning curve of how to find one’s way around the metro and mainline stations. Whilst the bullet trains are legendary and run to time to the second, the stations are another feature. They are mazes, not unlike termite hills with their multiple levels, multiple exits and multiple entries! One day we traveled over 150 km in 35 minutes by bullet train. But it took us another 35 minutes to find our way out of the station!

Kyoto must be the garden city of Japan. Its wide grid-like streets feature delightful coffee shops and restaurants. Because of its beauty, this city was never bombed during the Second World War. Kyoto is also home to the dying art of geisha entertainment. Genuine geishas are rarely seen out in public. Fortunately, we saw three in a short space of time.

Heather and I had visited the Berlin Wall, before and after its collapse, and the killing fields in Cambodia, as well as Auschwitz. Our visit to Hiroshima was another milestone. We found a quiet stillness in and around Peace Park, the site of a permanent memorial to the dropping of the first atomic bomb. Through survivors’ artifacts, this excellent museum vividly and graphically displays the outcome of August 6, 1945. It was moving and memorable.

We traveled back to the UK for only a few days, and then headed to India to attend the 50th Golden Jubilee Congress of the Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS) in December. This Congress, held under the presidency of Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, was in Hyderabad, the IT capital of India. Numerous international companies have outsourced their customer support services here. As result of a 24/7 work pattern required by these services, there is a constant stream of traffic in this city.

The Indian Orthodontic Society meeting attracted almost 2,200 delegates from around the world! There was an equally impressive trade show, which opened my eyes as to how much

of the orthodontic hardware we use is manufactured in India. Many of the social functions were grand outdoor occasions. The weather was a wonderful contrast to our cold Decembers in the UK.

I, Dr. David Turpin, a past WFO Executive Committee member and editor emeritus of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics*, and Dr. Somchai Satravaha, a past WFO Executive Committee member, were made honorary members of the Indian Orthodontic Society (see the related article on page 5).

In the year prior to the Congress, the Indian Orthodontic Society had been promoting orthodontics around the country. For 350 days, a Smile Torch was carried from city to city. At each stop, the torch traveled to schools, clinics, hospitals and large social gatherings, bringing with it appropriate TV and radio coverage.

I was privileged to carry the torch on its last journey — to a school for blind children.

The Devnar School for the Blind in Hyderabad has more than 500 pupils with an age range of 4 to 18. The children were all prepared for my visit and were standing in rows of appropriate age groups. Each child had a hand on the shoulder of the pupil in front. A young pupil “reading” from her Braille notes delivered a delightful welcoming speech. After speaking to the assembly, I joined the children and passed around the Smile Torch, which they eagerly felt with nimble fingers.



Dr. Allan Thom, president of the WFO, visited the Devnar School for the Blind in Hyderabad, India, while attending the 50th Golden Jubilee Congress of the Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS). Throughout 2015, members of the IOS carried a Smile Torch from city to city in India to promote awareness about orthodontic treatment. Dr. Thom carried the Smile Torch to this school.

This school offers an astounding education and extensive resources to the children, giving them all a future opportunity. I found my visit to be a most enjoyable, but moving, experience, and I will always remember the hundreds of smiling faces of the children as they waved goodbye. I was moved to tears not for sympathy, but for the hope and opportunity these children have.

I returned to the conference for more high-quality lectures. The Indian Orthodontic Society is to be congratulated on organizing such an excellent conference. I thank them for the warm hospitality given to my wife and me.

The 2016 IOS meeting is in Goa, a place of sunshine and beaches. I highly recommend this meeting.

My diary is already full of travel for 2016. Look for further updates on my travels on the WFO website, www.wfo.org.

WFO approves 112th affiliate organization

The WFO Executive Committee recently approved the affiliation of the Romanian Association for Excellence in Orthodontics (AREO). The WFO now has 112 affiliate organizations.

“We are very happy for the acceptance of our association into the WFO!” said Dr. Irina Zetu, president of AREO and a WFO fellow. “The Romanian Association for Excellence in Orthodontics was founded in 2000, under the name Romanian Straight-Wire Association, and the aim of the association is to promote orthodontic research and all the orthodontic techniques and appliances. In 2015, the name of our association became AREO. The association is national, and it is open to all qualified orthodontists from all over country, without regard to orthodontic technique used or philosophy. We have 150 members. Starting this year, our association will publish the periodical *Journal of Orthodontics*.”

Since 2000, the association has organized six international congresses and at least two courses annually. AREO will hold its 7th International Orthodontic Congress May 19-21, 2016, at the Victor Papilian Amphitheatre at the Lucian Blaga Medicine University in Sibiu, Romania. The main topics will focus on retention and the iatrogenic effects of orthodontic treatment. Keynote speakers include Dr. Roberto Justus of Mexico, immediate past president of the WFO; Dr. Giampietro Farronato of Italy; Dr. Jonathan Sandler of the UK, a member of the WFO Executive Committee; Dr. Alison Murray of the UK; Dr. Luca Lombardo of Italy; Dr. Silvia Allegrini of Italy; Dr. Ianos Horvath of Hungary; Dr. Ion Lupan of Moldavia; Dr. Oleg Solomon of Moldavia; and Dr. Valentina Trifan of Moldavia. Dr. Victor Boboc is the president of the Congress. For more information on this meeting, send an e-mail to areorto@gmail.com.

WFO Selects Vice President

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“The 2015-2020 WFO Executive Committee is an enthusiastic group, and, under the leadership of Dr. Thom, is already off to a very busy start,” she said. “To list only a few projects, the RFP for the 2025 International Orthodontic Congress® (IOC) has been developed and is now available. The website will continue to be updated, hopefully with some video content. We hope to grow our membership by offering services that will help our members. We are also looking into scholarship opportunities and new awards, developing a bylaws template to assist new affiliate organizations, and increasing usage of the *Journal of the World Federation of Orthodontists*. This term will end with the 9th IOC in Japan in 2020. Dr. Keiji Moriyama and Dr. Takashi Ono have assured us that the 25th anniversary of the WFO will be celebrated.”

Dr. Maplethorp, like her peers on the WFO Executive Committee, will represent the WFO at various WFO affiliate organization meetings and conferences throughout the year. She will attend the 2016 Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists and the 2016 Annual General Meeting of the CAO. She is also looking forward to visiting Goa, India, for the 51st Indian Orthodontic Conference and the 8th World Implant Orthodontic Conference.

In addition to her work with the WFO, Dr. Maplethorp is in private practice in Maple Ridge, British Columbia. She is a past president of the CAO and remains active on several of the organization’s committees. She is also a past president of the British Columbia Society of Orthodontists. Dr. Maplethorp is a fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the American College of Dentists.

WFO President Dr. Allan Thom to attend numerous affiliate organization meetings this year

Every year the WFO president and the Executive Committee members attend many WFO affiliate organization meetings to build support for the WFO.

In the coming months, Dr. Allan Thom, president of the WFO, will attend the following events*:

- 2016 Annual Session of the **American Association of Orthodontists**, April 29-May 3, Orlando, Florida, USA;
- 2016 Congress of the **European Orthodontic Society**, June 12-16, Stockholm, Sweden;
- 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference of the **Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society**, Sept. 1-3, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia (Dr. Thom will visit Singapore Aug. 29-31 prior to traveling to Bali.);
- 2016 British Orthodontic Conference of **British Orthodontic Society**, Sept. 23-25, Brighton, England, UK;
- 47th International Congress of the **Società Italiana di Ortodonzia**, Oct. 13-15, Florence, Italy;
- 2016 Annual Meeting of the **Association of Ukrainian Orthodontists**, Oct. 28-29, Kiev, Ukraine;
- 2016 Annual Meeting of the **Taiwan Association of Orthodontists**, Dec. 2-5, Taipei, Taiwan (Dr. Thom will visit Hong Kong Dec. 5-7).

* The dates reflect when Dr. Thom will be in attendance. The official meeting dates might be slightly different.

JWFO editorial explores orthodontists' role in improving older adults' quality of life



Dr. Jorge Faber

Dr. Jorge Faber, editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the World Federation of Orthodontists* (JWFO), discusses how orthodontics can improve the quality of life for older adults in his latest editorial in the March issue of the JWFO. This issue is online at www.jwfo.org.

"Life expectancy is increasing around the globe," he said. "But there is an imbalance between our growing longevity and our quality of life as we age. We need to promote overall well-being among the older population. Quality of life is not solely linked to physical and mental health. It is also linked to our social engagements, our environment, and our leisure and recreation time. This is where orthodontics can contribute. The benefits of orthodontic treatment on oral health, and, consequently, on quality of life, have been extensively

demonstrated."

Historically, the specialty of orthodontics has been linked to the treatment of children, teenagers and young adults. In the editorial, Dr. Faber challenges readers to think beyond this paradigm.

"Older people are increasingly seeking more orthodontic treatment worldwide," Dr. Faber said. "They are looking for functional and esthetic improvements, and we are technically prepared to treat those patients."

However, he notes that orthodontic treatment modalities for older adults can be more complex. Often times, the treatment will require an interdisciplinary approach. In addition, treatment time can be reduced as orthodontists and patients may opt for partial treatments.

"For instance, it is possibly unwise to provide comprehensive three-year treatment for an individual who is 85 years old,"

Dr. Faber said. "However, a three-month treatment may improve this person's quality of life."

Despite these complexities, he believes the specialty can rise to the challenge. He encourages orthodontists, researchers and orthodontic associations to consider this issue and how they might promote orthodontic treatment among these individuals.

"It is time to rethink the scope of orthodontics," Dr. Faber said. "For many years, we thought that our main purpose was to provide beautiful smiles. Evidence supports the claim that we go far beyond that. We improve patients' breathing patterns, and we improve function, esthetics and self-esteem; in summary, the major goal of orthodontics is to improve quality of life. We must extend the benefits of orthodontic treatment to older people and fight against the prejudice that orthodontic treatment is limited to young people."

WFO membership is on the rise among orthodontic students

Dues waiver encourages orthodontic students to join WFO, continue membership after completing their orthodontic program

WFO membership, especially among orthodontic students, is growing as eligible individuals take advantage of two membership promotions.

In September 2013, the WFO Executive Committee announced dues would be waived for new WFO student memberships and student membership renewals, as well as for those student members who transition to WFO fellowship. In September 2015, the Executive Committee voted to extend these offers for an additional year. The dues waiver for both groups is in effect through Sept. 27, 2016. Orthodontic students will save \$20 (USD) in annual dues. WFO student members

who complete their graduate orthodontic program and apply for WFO fellowship will not have to pay dues their first year as a WFO fellow, a savings of \$40 (USD).

Since the extension of the promotion last year, more than 500 orthodontic students have become WFO student members, bringing the total number of student members to more than 1,900. A large group of WFO student members have also transitioned to WFO fellowship.

Application forms for new applicants in all classes of WFO membership must still be completed and can be found online at www.wfo.org.

WFO affiliate organizations:
Encourage your members to join the WFO

WFO affiliate organizations can further the growth of the WFO by publicizing WFO membership. WFO affiliate organizations may link their websites to the WFO website, www.wfo.org, to promote WFO membership and easy access to WFO membership applications.

The WFO website features membership applications for fellows, academic members, student members and retired members. All applications and details on each membership classification can be accessed directly at: <http://www.wfo.org/membership/application-forms-and-membership-classifications>.

Promote upcoming meetings with display advertising in the WFO Gazette

The *WFO Gazette* reaches more than 9,500 orthodontists around the world, providing an excellent marketing opportunity not only for orthodontic companies but also for WFO affiliate organizations wishing to draw an international audience to their educational programs and conferences.

The *WFO Gazette* accepts display advertising for upcoming meetings of WFO affiliate organizations. Advertising options include a variety of sizes and affordable pricing.

The *WFO Gazette* advertising information is available online at www.wfo.org/news/gazettes/gazette-advertising-package. You may also contact Jessica Kassel, editor of the *WFO Gazette*, at kasselcommunications@gmail.com for additional information and an extended editorial calendar.

WFO sends membership renewals via e-mail

The WFO now sends membership renewal notices to WFO members by e-mail. **If you previously requested not to receive WFO e-mails, you won't receive important communications regarding your membership status.** Contact Awstyn Cochran of the WFO Secretariat to update your e-mail contact information. E-mail her at wfo@wfo.org.

Before your membership expires, renew your membership online at www.wfo.org. Log in and select the link "Pay Dues Online." If your membership expires, you must contact Ms. Cochran at wfo@wfo.org to renew the membership.



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Bali beckons: Register for the 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference to be held in September 2016

The Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS) will hold the 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference (APOC) Sept. 1-3, 2016, at the Bali Nusa Dua Convention Center in Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia. The Indonesian Association of Orthodontists (IAO), one of the 16 member organizations of the APOS, will host the APOC and the 11th Annual Meeting of the IAO. Dr. Krisnawati Tarman is chair of the APOC and the IAO Annual Meeting.

“Bali is the most sought-after holiday destination in the Asia Pacific, and we at the APOS are super excited to welcome orthodontic colleagues from across the world to Bali,” said Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the APOS and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. “The IAO expects at least 1,500 delegates at this event. The speakers are prestigious names in orthodontics.”

The conference will look to the future of orthodontics and will cover multidisciplinary treatment, management of craniofacial deformities, orthodontic technology, new treatment strategies and community service. The APOC will also include a breakfast session for the presidents of the APOS-member organizations. Dr. Allan Thom, WFO president, will be in attendance at this breakfast meeting.

“This event promises to be a unique blend of cultural exchange and an opportunity for colleagues to showcase cutting-edge scientific research to colleagues from across the region, and possibly the globe,” Dr. Vaid said.

To learn more about the APOC, go to www.10apoc.com.



The organizing committee of the 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference (APOC) and the 11th Annual Meeting of the Indonesian Association of Orthodontists (IAO) recently traveled to Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia, the location of the meetings, to finalize arrangements. The visiting orthodontists included (from left, front row) Dr. Rini Susanti, 2nd vice chair of the APOC; Dr. Krisnawati Tarman, chair of the APOC; (from left, back row) Dr. Fadli Jazaldi, head of exhibition and fundraising; Dr. Aditya Pribadi, secretary and registration head; Dr. Tanan Jaruprakorn, vice president of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS); Dr. Andi Gatot Wijanarko, 1st vice chair of the APOC; Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the APOS; Dr. Bryce Lee, secretary general of the APOS; and Dr. Benny Soegiharto, member of the APOC Scientific Program Committee.

APOS journal recognizes the top articles published in 2013 and 2014

At its annual general meeting Dec. 5, 2015, *APOS Trends in Orthodontics*, the official journal of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS), announced several awards to recognize the top articles published in 2013 and 2014. The award winners will present their work at the 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference, which will be held Sept. 1-3, 2016, in Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia.

“The purpose of conceptualizing awards for the journal was to encourage excellence amongst the authors submitting their work to the journal, and to raise the bar on published literature in the region,” said Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the APOS and editor-in-chief of the journal, as well as a member of the WFO Executive Committee. He noted that the awards are named after past APOS Executive Committee members in honor of their contributions to the society.

A three-member team served as the jury for the awards: Dr. Keiji Moriyama, a member of the APOS and WFO Executive Committees; Dr. Tanan Jaruprakorn, APOS vice president; and Dr. Mubassar Fida, a member of the APOS Executive Committee. The award-winning articles are available at www.apospublications.com. The website offers free access to all articles.

The following clinical articles and original research articles were recognized:

- **Fu Minkui APOS Trends Award** (best clinical article)
“Orthodontic camouflage via total arch movement in a Class II with idiopathic condylar resorption” – Ji-Sung Jang et al., Vol. 4, No. 6
- **Daniel Huang APOS Trends Award** (second best clinical article)
“Twenty-year post-treatment assessment of Class II Division I malocclusion treated with non-extraction approach” – Ashok Karad et al., Vol. 3, No. 1
- **Jyothindra Kumar APOS Trends Award** (best original research article)
“Evaluation of apical root resorption in orthodontic patients with maxillary anterior intrusion using utility arches and mini screws: A comparative study” – Muraleedhara Bhat et al., Vol. 4, No. 1
- **Hendro Kusnoto APOS Trends Award** (second best original research article)
“Hyoid bone position and head posture comparison in skeletal Class I and II subjects: A retrospective cephalometric study – Pawankumar Dnyandeo Tekale et al., Vol. 4, No. 3
- **Loh Soo Ann APOS Trends Award** (best clinical pearl/innovation article)
This recognition was not awarded.

In addition, Dr. Letizia Perillo of Italy and Dr. Gowri Shankar of India were recognized as best reviewers for the journal from 2013 to 2015.



Orthodontists attending the 10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference will enjoy Bali's tranquil beaches.

Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society holds first APOS Residents Forum in Taichung, Taiwan in December 2015

The Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS) held its first APOS Residents Forum Dec. 4, 2015, during the 28th Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Association of Orthodontists (TAO). This forum provided a platform to engage the future of the orthodontic specialty — the orthodontic residents.

“Scientific exchange amongst budding orthodontists grooms them holistically into professionals who are aware of happenings in surroundings other than their own,” said Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid,



Officers and Executive Committee members of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS) were in attendance at the 28th Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Association of Orthodontists in December 2015. The APOS held its first Residents Forum during this meeting.

APOS president and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. “It's the duty of a regional specialty association to create such opportunities for them. This gave rise to the idea of a Residents Forum.

“The Residents Forum also gives residents from different countries a chance to forge friendships that could last a lifetime. The APOS strongly believes that the future of the profession is not only based on advances in science but also on the depth of fraternal interactions.”

The APOS received 75 applications for the clinical and research presentations. Of these applications, the APOS selected 53 residents from at least eight of the APOS-member organizations to present scientific papers during the meeting. These presentations were judged by Dr. Gakuji Ito, the first president of the APOS; Dr. James Cheng of the TAO; Dr. Mubassar Fida of the Pakistan Association of Orthodontists; Dr. Roberto Tan of the Association of Philippine Orthodontists; Dr. Priyadarshani Wettasinghe of the Sri Lanka Orthodontic Society; and Dr. Chetan V. Jayade of the Indian Orthodontic Society. Dr. Eric Liou of the TAO and Dr. Tanan Jaruprakorn of the Thai Association of Orthodontists chaired this forum.

WFO History Committee seeks information, photographs

The WFO History Committee, formed in 2015, is seeking information from all WFO members who can provide verbal or written recollections of the history of their national organizations and/or the affiliation with the WFO. Send this information and photographs to Awstyn Cochran of the WFO Secretariat at wfo@wfo.org. Materials may be mailed to: World Federation of Orthodontists, 401 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141.

Sri Lanka Orthodontic Society hosts 1st International Orthodontic Conference in February 2016, draws 200 delegates from around the world to scenic Colombo

The Sri Lanka Orthodontic Society (SLOS) held its 1st International Orthodontic Conference Feb. 5-8, 2016, at the Hotel Galadari in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The conference theme was "Vistas in Orthodontics in Paradise."

SLOS, which was formed in 1999, is the only professional body to represent the specialty of orthodontics in Sri Lanka and contributes significantly to the betterment of the field of orthodontics. An affiliate organization of the WFO and the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society, SLOS encourages its members to update their knowledge and skills, thereby improving the service they render to patients. In the past, the society has organized local scientific sessions, workshops and seminars that included the participation of leading authorities in the field of orthodontics.

This year, the society made the conference into an international event. Orthodontists from the United States, the United Kingdom, Denmark, Australia, Japan, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal, Brunei and India attended the meeting. Some of the most sought-after speakers in the field of orthodontics, including Dr. William Proffit, Dr. Ravindra Nanda, Dr. Birte Melsen, Dr. Junji

Sugawara, Dr. Jim McDonald, Dr. Ali Darendeliler, Dr. N.R. Krishnaswamy and Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, participated in this conference.

The conference drew more than 200 delegates, who represented a cross-section of orthodontists from the armed forces and the state, university and private sectors. The delegates included senior and junior specialists, university lecturers and postgraduates. The sessions gave them all the opportunity to present original research papers, to exchange views, to update their knowledge through the various symposia and workshops, and also to enjoy fellowship.

While in Colombo, the conference participants had the opportunity to enjoy Sri Lankan hospitality, beauty, culinary arts and culture. The inauguration ceremony featured a cultural show, and one of the evenings featured an informal social event on Mount Lavinia beach. In addition, all of the delegates were taken on a day tour to Kandy, the last capital of the Sri Lankan kings and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. While on this tour, the delegates visited the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage and the Temple of the Tooth.



On behalf of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS), APOS President Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid presents a commemorative plaque to two members of the organizing committee of the Sri Lanka Orthodontic Society (SLOS) 1st International Congress in February 2016. Pictured here, from left, are Dr. Sriyani Basnayake, SLOS president; Dr. Priyadarshani Wettasinghe, co-chair of the scientific sessions; Dr. Vaid, a member of the WFO Executive Committee; Dr. Somchai Satravaha, past president of the APOS and past member of the WFO Executive Committee; and Dr. Loh Kai Woh, past president of the APOS.

Indian Orthodontic Society bestows honorary membership upon three orthodontists

The Executive Committee of the Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS) bestowed honorary membership upon three orthodontists during its 50th Golden Jubilee Congress in December 2015 in Hyderabad, India.

The IOS selected the following individuals for this honor:

- Dr. Allan Thom, president of the WFO, in recognition of his global leadership and service to the specialty of orthodontics;
- Dr. David Turpin, editor emeritus of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics* and a past member of the WFO Executive Committee, in recognition of his contributions to the orthodontic publishing world; and
- Dr. Somchai Satravaha, past president of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society and a past member of the WFO Executive Committee, in recognition of her enthusiasm and dedication to fostering excellence and camaraderie in the Asian-Pacific region.

"It's a matter of immense pride for the IOS to have these luminaries accept these honors, and we look forward to their guidance and advice as honorary members of the Indian Orthodontic Society in times to come," said Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, immediate past president of the IOS and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. "Their contributions to the orthodontic world are immense, and we at the IOS are touched by the difference they have made to our profession."

All three of the honorees appreciate this recognition and enjoyed their time in India.

"This (honorary membership) was a complete surprise to me, and whilst I was delighted to accept, I did so with humility as I am sure there must be more deserving individuals than myself," Dr. Thom said. "Honorary membership is the highest award that a society can offer, and I will endeavor to live up to the responsibilities and expectations attached to such an award. This honor was also extra special for me. Firstly, it is my first honorary award, one which I will always remember, and, secondly, it is from a society that is a charter member of the WFO on the occasion of its 50th jubilee celebration. It was a golden milestone for the Indian Orthodontic Society and a golden honor for me. I am so pleased to be a member of the Indian Orthodontic Society. I look forward to attending conferences in the future, to meeting many of the members and being part of the Indian orthodontic community."



Dr. Allan Thom, left, accepts his honorary membership certificate and medal from Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, the 2014-2015 president of the Indian Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. Dr. Thom is president of the WFO and previously served two five-year terms as a member of the WFO Executive Committee.

Dr. Satravaha was also surprised to learn of this honor. "When I was informed that I would be given the honorary membership, I was speechless and overwhelmed with appreciation and happiness," she said. "I never thought that some orthodontists out there would be watching what I have been doing to involve the orthodontic profession, and that they appreciated and recognized my work. I feel honored and feel that I am blessed. The members of the IOS are very warm and friendly. I enjoyed their warm hospitality and feel honored to become part of the IOS family."



Dr. Somchai Satravaha, left, accepts her honorary membership certificate and medal from Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, the 2014-2015 president of the Indian Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. She served two five-year terms on the WFO Executive Committee from 2005 to 2015.

Dr. Turpin, who was a chief guest at the 2003 IOS annual meeting and assisted with certification of candidates for the Indian Board of Orthodontics, fully appreciates the work the IOS has done to advance the specialty of orthodontics.

"Having the opportunity to step onto the podium along with Drs. Somchai Satravaha and Allan Thom to be inducted as honorary members of the Indian Orthodontic Society was beyond all expectations," Dr. Turpin said. "So many others within the IOS contributed so much to the success of that organization that I felt greatly humbled. Among those I met and spent time with was Dr. Keki M. Mistry, a founding member and past president of the society. He obtained his master's degree in orthodontics at the University of Illinois prior to continuing his schooling at the University of London and the Royal College of Surgeons in London. He is a pioneer in dentistry and one of the first dental specialists to usher in the concept of orthodontics as a specialty of dentistry in India. Other current officers played a major role in the success of the 50th Jubilee, including outgoing president Nikhilesh Vaid, C. Deepak and past president Joseph Varghese. As a result of this array of expertise sharply focused on planning the meeting, success was obvious with nearly 2,200 orthodontists participating. It is clear to me that orthodontic leaders throughout the world are extremely active in raising the level of orthodontic treatment throughout the world."



Dr. David Turpin, left, accepts his honorary membership certificate and medal from Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, the 2014-2015 president of the Indian Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee. Dr. Turpin served one five-year term on the WFO Executive Committee from 2010 to 2015. Dr. Y.S. Chowdary, the India minister of state for science & technology and earth sciences, stands in the back. Dr. Gangadhara Prasad, the 2014-2015 IOS president-elect, is to the right of Dr. Vaid.

Prior to 2015, the IOS had only granted honorary membership to one other individual. Dr. Ravindra Nanda, professor and head of the Department of Craniofacial Sciences and chair of the Division of Orthodontics at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine, received this honor in 2012.

Indian Orthodontic Society's 1st Global Editors Forum draws large audience interested in scientific publishing

The Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS) offered its 1st Global Editors Forum as a pre-conference program one day prior to the 50th Golden Jubilee Congress in December 2015. While the conference was open to all Congress attendees, the IOS also invited educators and researchers from the graduate orthodontic departments throughout India. More than 250 orthodontists attended, and their overall interest in publishing led to a very interactive discussion at the end of the program.

The forum featured Dr. David Turpin, editor emeritus of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics*; Dr. Jorge Faber, editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the World Federation of Orthodontists*; Dr. Ravindra Nanda, editor-in-chief of *Progress in Orthodontics*; Dr. Steven Lindauer, editor-in-chief of *The Angle Orthodontist*; Dr. Vinod Krishnan, associate editor of *Orthodontics and Craniofacial Research*; and Dr. Sridevi Padmanabhan, editor of the *Journal of the Indian Orthodontic Society*. Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, the 2014-2015 president of the IOS, and Dr. Krishnan were co-chairs of the program.



More than 250 orthodontists attended the Indian Orthodontic Society's 1st Global Editors Forum in December 2015. The speakers for the conference are seated in the front row: from left, Dr. Ravindra Nanda of the United States, Dr. David Turpin of the United States, Dr. Jorge Faber of Brazil, Dr. Steven Lindauer of the United States, and Dr. Vinod Krishnan of India.

The editors covered an array of topics from different areas of publishing, including approaching orthodontic science with a research attitude, how to make science interesting, conducting and reporting guidelines for proper research, the editorial flow of international peer-reviewed journals,

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Indian Orthodontic Society



Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, the 2014-2015 president of the Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS), lights the traditional Indian lamp to inaugurate the 50th Golden Jubilee Congress of the IOS. From left, Dr. Y.S. Chowdary, the India minister of state for science & technology and earth sciences; Dr. C. Deepak, IOS secretary; Dr. K. Balaji, IOS treasurer; and Dr. Allan Thom, WFO president, watch the lighting ceremony. The IOS held this Congress Dec. 10-13, 2015, in Hyderabad, India. Approximately 2,200 delegates attended the landmark meeting, which also marked the end of the 350-day journey of the Smile Torch, a public awareness initiative of the IOS. Dr. Satheesh Reddy served as the organizing chair of the Congress.

Thai Association of Orthodontists



The Thai Association of Orthodontists (ThaAO) held its Scientific Meeting Nov. 26-27, 2015, in Bangkok, Thailand. These orthodontists (pictured above) were among the 319 meeting participants. They are, from left, front row, Drs. Jirawat Kiertiburanakul, Chidchanok Leethanakul, Thitima Sukkasem, Piyathida Chittanandha and Tanan Jaruprakorn. In the back row, from left, are Drs. Passiri Nisalak, Pongjai Virarat, Kanok Sorathes, Somchai Satravaha, Porntip Chiewcharat, Korapin Mahatumarat, Jiraporn Chaiwat, Khunying Kamoltip Hutasingh and Somsak Chengprapakorn. During this meeting, the ThaAO sold T-shirts to raise money for the Happy Smile, Happy Heart project that supports care for cleft lip and palate (CLP) patients in Thailand. The ThaAO, Khon Kaen University and the Thai Red Cross Society coordinate this project. ThaAO volunteer orthodontists travel to cleft centers to provide treatment to CLP patients.

Japanese Orthodontic Society



The Japanese Orthodontic Society (JOS) held its 74th Annual Meeting Nov. 18-20, 2015, in Fukuoka, Japan. Dr. Hiroyuki Ishikawa, JOS president and rector of the Fukuoka Dental College, served as the local organizing chair for this meeting. More than 4,600 people attended this meeting. Pictured here are, from left, Dr. Noriyoshi Shimizu, JOS president-elect; Dr. Ishikawa; Dr. Allan Thom, WFO president; Mrs. Heather Thom; Dr. Keiji Moriyama, member of the WFO Executive Committee and director of the JOS; and Dr. Kazuhito Arai, member of the JOS Board of Trustees.

Pakistan Association of Orthodontists' recent meeting offered 6 conference sessions, 13 workshops to 500 attendees

The Pakistan Association of Orthodontists (PAO) held its 4th International Conference Nov. 20-22, 2015, at the Aga Khan University in Karachi, Pakistan. Approximately 500 delegates from all over Pakistan attended the six conference sessions and 13 workshops.

Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee, was the special guest for the conference. Dr. Arif R. Alvi, the founding president of the PAO and a member of the National Assembly of Pakistan, was the chief patron of the conference. In addition, Dr. Ambreen Afzal and Dr. Waheed-ul-Hamid were patrons. The organizing committee included Dr. Mubassar Fida, chair and PAO president; Dr. Attiya Shaikh,

co-chair and PAO vice president; Dr. Syed Shah Faisal, vice chair; and Dr. M. Abdullah Kamran, conference secretary.

The PAO offered several pre-conference workshops Nov. 18-19. These conferences covered the use of bidimensional technique in orthodontic cases, temporary anchorage devices, the Damon System, smile design from 2-D to 3-D, and occlusal splint therapy for TMD. An orthodontic surgical course with software planning was also offered. Speakers included Dr. Richard Fernandes, Dr. Gurkeerat Singh, Dr. Ahmed Korayem, Dr. Wesam Alied, Dr. William Choi and Dr. Karen Shu-Yao Wang. These speakers also delivered lectures for the main conference. Other conference speakers included Dr. Alvi, Dr. Vaid, Dr. Islam Kassem, Dr. Mervyn Hosein, Dr. Mahmood

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Hans T. Kedziarski (at podium), CEO of the Aga Khan University in Karachi, Pakistan, welcomes attendees to the Gala Dinner of the 4th International Conference of the Pakistan Association of Orthodontists in November 2015. This event was held at the Aga Khan University Sports Centre.

Chinese Orthodontic Society's annual meeting draws more than 1,900 participants to Nanchang, China in November 2015

The Chinese Orthodontic Society (COS) held its 14th Annual Meeting Nov. 3-5, 2015, in Nanchang, China. The COS and the School of Stomatology at Nanchang University coordinated this event. Dr. Yanheng Zhou, president of the COS, and Dr. Jianyong Wu, the vice dean of the School of Stomatology, served as the official hosts of the meeting.

More than 1,900 orthodontists attended the meeting, which featured the theme of "Charming Orthodontics, Beautiful Life." The invited speakers included Dr. Roberto Justus, immediate past president of the WFO; Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee; and Dr. Tae-Woo Kim, president of the Korean Association of Orthodontists.

Orthodontists presented more than 170 academic reports

and submitted more than 758 abstracts. In addition, orthodontic companies held academic workshops to provide the attendees with more information.

"The annual meeting has been held 14 times with increasing domestic and international impact," said Dr. Zhou, who is also a member of the WFO Executive Committee. "It has become the biggest and best orthodontic academic conference in China. The meeting helps encourage communication among orthodontists worldwide to develop the discipline and to demonstrate the improvement and capability of Chinese orthodontics to the world."

The COS will hold its 15th Annual Meeting in Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, China, Oct. 11-14, 2016. Xi'an Jiaotong University School of Stomatology will host the meeting.

Brazilian association welcomes more than 2,000 attendees to the 10th ABOR International Congress in October 2015

The Associação Brasileira de Ortodontia e Ortopedia Facial (ABOR) held its 10th International Congress Oct. 7-10, 2015, in Florianópolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil. The meeting drew more than 2,000 participants from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Paraguay, Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, Portugal, the United States, Uruguay, Italy and Denmark.

“During these four memorable days, conference rooms were always full, and attendees showed great satisfaction with the high scientific level of presentations,” said Dr. Ricardo Machado Cruz of Brasilia, Brazil, who represents Central and South America on the WFO Executive Committee. “The highlights were two symposia on the approaches to Class II treatment and the indications and use of temporary anchorage devices, which were debated by internationally recognized speakers. Dr. Peter Buschang, Dr. Lorenzo Franchi, Dr. Sam Daher and Dr. Eustáquio Araújo participated in the Class II Symposium,



Dr. Peter Buschang, Dr. Lorenzo Franchi, Dr. Eustáquio Araújo (coordinator) and Dr. Sam Daher took part in the Class II Symposium during the 10th International Congress of the Associação Brasileira de Ortodontia e Ortopedia Facial. The Congress was held Oct. 7-10, 2015, in Florianópolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil.

and Dr. Birte Melsen and Dr. Sebastian Baumgaertel discussed temporary anchorage devices.”

ABOR will hold its 11th International Congress Oct. 11-14, 2017, in Belém do Pará in northern Brazil.

Korean Association of Orthodontists convenes for 48th Annual Scientific Congress

The Korean Association of Orthodontists (KAO) held its 48th Annual Scientific Congress Oct. 29-31, 2015, at the Kimdaejeung Convention Center in Gwangju, South Korea.

The theme of the Congress was “Today’s Question, Tomorrow’s Idea: Advancing the Scope of Orthodontics.” The invited speakers included Dr. Roberto Justus, the immediate past president of the WFO; Dr. Dieter Drescher of the University of Düsseldorf in Germany; and Drs. Lisen Espeland, Arild Stenvik, Kari Birkeland and Vaska Vandevska-Radunovic, all of the University of Oslo in Norway. The Congress focused on the following clinical topics: the hybrid hyrax, orthognathic surgery, dental trauma, tooth transplantation, white spots and miniscrews. The Congress also featured clinical oral presentations, e-poster presentations, table clinics and case displays. Translation services were provided for the special lectures, symposia and special sessions.

Hong Kong Society of Orthodontists



More than 50 orthodontists (pictured above) attended the Annual Orthodontic Symposium of the Hong Kong Society of Orthodontists (HKSO) Sept. 20, 2015, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Macau. The HKSO elected its new officers in June 2015 during its Annual General Meeting. Dr. Vincent F.S. Leung is president, and Dr. Paul Y.W. Lau is vice president. Dr. Don Tran is honorary secretary, and Dr. Lily M.Y. Shum is honorary treasurer. Dr. Wilson Lee represents the HKSO on the Executive Committee of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society. To learn more about the HKSO, go to <http://hkso.witsoart.com.hk>.



The Korean Association of Orthodontists held its Gala Dinner Oct. 30, 2015, in conjunction with its 48th Annual Scientific Congress. Pictured here are, from left, front row, Dr. Nikhilesh Vaid, president of the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society and a member of the WFO Executive Committee; Dr. Roberto Justus, immediate past president of the WFO; Dr. Yolanda Justus; and Dr. Somchai Satravaha, a past member of the WFO Executive Committee. In the back row, from left, are Dr. Hee-Moon Kyung, president-elect of the KAO; Dr. Tae-Woo Kim, president of the KAO; and Dr. Jose Manuel Rivera, a past president of the Association of Philippine Orthodontists.

European Federation of Orthodontic Specialists Associations

FEO participates in 8th International Orthodontic Congress® in London



The European Federation of Orthodontics (FEO) Board of Trustees convened Sept. 27, 2015. The FEO General Meeting took place the following day. Both meetings were held in conjunction with the 8th International Orthodontic Congress® in London. The FEO Board of Trustees (pictured above) includes the following individuals: from left, Dr. Danny Op Heij, administrator; Dr. Owen Crotty, secretary general; Dr. Ursula Hirschfelder, secretary general adjunct; Dr. Silvia Allegrini, vice president; Dr. Angel Alonso Tosso, president; Dr. Odile Hutereau, treasurer; and Dr. Panagiotis Skoularikis, immediate past president. The 2016 FEO Annual General Meeting will be held Oct. 13-15 in Florence, Italy. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the 47th International Congress of the Società Italiana di Ortodonzia.



The European Federation of Orthodontics (FEO) held two sessions during the World Village Day Programme of the 8th International Orthodontic Congress® in September 2015. Four speakers (pictured above), representing various FEO societies, participated in one of the FEO sessions. Pictured here, from left, are Dr. Moschos Papadopoulos (speaker), Dr. Joseph Bouserhal (speaker), Dr. Abbas Zaher (speaker), Dr. Bärbel Kahl-Nieke (speaker), Dr. Odile Hutereau, Dr. Olivier Mauchamp and Dr. Panagiotis Skoularikis. Drs. Hutereau, Mauchamp and Skoularikis chaired the FEO sessions. The second FEO session featured three speakers, and the FEO presented its Best Clinical Paper Award to Drs. Marco Rosa, Erica Frumusa, Patrizia Lucchi and Alberto Caprioglio. Drs. Christian Kirschneck, Peter Proff, Michael Maurer, Claudia Reicheneder and Piero Römer received the Best Paper Award.



The European Federation of Orthodontic Specialists Associations (EFOSA) held its General Assembly Meeting June 14, 2015, in Venice, Italy. Pictured here are the participating representatives from Austria, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the UK. Dr. Julian O’Neill of the UK (front row, fifth from left, wearing jacket and tie) is president of the organization. The group discussed cross-border contracts for health services, the difference between private orthodontic courses and Erasmus-based orthodontic programs, and the Network of Erasmus-based European Orthodontic Programmes, among other topics.

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APOS Residents Forum

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The APOS recognized four of the presentations with the following awards:

- **Prof. Gakuji Ito Award – Best Oral Research Presentation**
“Effect of the enzymatic degradation in temporomandibular joint under mechanical loading”
– Dr. Shao-Ching Su
- **Dr. Crissie Santayana Award – 2nd Best Oral Research Presentation**
“A comparative study of lateral cephalograms and cone-beam computed tomography under upright and supine postures respectively in upper airway evaluations”
– Dr. Hsu Wun-Eng

- **Prof. Hideo Mitani Award – Best Clinical Presentation**
“A Class II D1 adult patient with excessive over jet treated by TADs and platelet rich plasma injection”
– Dr. Sitawan Nawasamrit
- **Prof. Somchai Satravaha Award – 2nd Best Clinical Presentation**
“Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of patient with multiple missing teeth and periodontitis”
– Dr. Ahn-Jae Chan.

The award recipients received cash prizes and plaques to commemorate their achievements.

The second APOS Residents Forum will be held in 2018 during the 11th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference in Boracay, Philippines.

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measurement of a journal’s impact factor, how to maintain scientific integrity, and ethical reporting, among other topics.

“The objective was to bridge the gap between editorial expectations and potential authors’ ideas for research,” Dr. Vaid said. “We hope ideas generated and tossed around at the meeting will usher in a new ‘tomorrow’ for published orthodontic research from the region.”

The audience’s high level of interest drove the discussions at end of the forum. “The success of the program can really be attributed to the active discussion between the speakers and participants,” Dr. Krishnan said.

Dr. Faber agrees. “The discussion session was especially interesting because we could see contrasting perspectives of highly qualified editors on different issues,” he said. “It is not every day that one can sit in a room and hear the people that filter most of what is published in a given field. At the same time, the attendees asked questions that show the Indian orthodontic scientific community is at the same level as the best groups around the globe. I was especially pleased to see an outright concern with ethics in publications. This is among the greatest challenges we face in science nowadays.”

Dr. Krishnan believes the forum brought good results and hopes a similar program will be held in the future. He would like to see even more orthodontists attend, specifically postgraduate students. “In a country like India, where the publishing culture is far behind, a program intended to generate interest in writing scientific literature is needed. And we did it!” Dr. Krishnan said. “I would urge all other organizations to conduct such a program.”

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Haider, Dr. Khaled Esmael, Dr. Puneet Batra, Dr. Afzal, Dr. Waqas Wahab, Dr. Saleh Al Ghabban and Dr. Nazir Lalani.

Dr. Farhat Abbas, dean of the Medical College at Aga Khan University, delivered the welcome address. Dr. Alvi and Dr. Fida also spoke to the attendees during the welcome session. Dr. Shaikh delivered the closing remarks of the conference.

Post-conference workshops covered the use of Botox and fillers, laser use in dentistry, edgewise wire bending, the multidisciplinary approach to the treatment of the gummy smile, ClearPath certification, and research protocol and article writing. Speakers included Dr. Kassem, Dr. Al Ghabban, Dr. Batra, Dr. Lalani, Dr. Wahab and Dr. Farhan Raza Khan.

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**American Association of Orthodontists
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**Professional Society of Orthodontists Russia
XVII Congress of Orthodontists of Russia and
First International Congress of Russian and
Mediterranean Orthodontists**
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St. Petersburg, Russia
www.ortodontam.pro

**Sociedad Española de Ortodoncia
62nd Congress**
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Seville, Spain
www.sedo.es

**European Orthodontic Society
92nd Congress**
June 11-16, 2016
Stockholm, Sweden
www.eos2016.org

**Academia Mexicana de Ortodoncia
XXIII International Congress**
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www.academiamexicanadeortodoncia.com

**Sociedad de Ortodoncia de Chile
XVI International Congress of Orthodontics**
August 24-26, 2016
Casa Piedra
Santiago de Chile, Chile
www.sortchile.cl

**Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society
10th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Conference**
September 1-3, 2016
Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia
www.10apoc.com

**German Orthodontic Society
89th Annual Congress**
September 14-18, 2016
Hannover, Germany
www.dgkfo2016.de

**Canadian Association of Orthodontists
2016 Annual General Meeting**
September 15-17, 2016
Delta Prince Edward and PEI Convention Centre
Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada
https://cao-aco.org

**British Orthodontic Society
British Orthodontic Conference**
September 23-25, 2016
Brighton, England, UK
www.bos.org.uk

**Greek Association for Orthodontic Study and Research
14th Congress**
September 23-25, 2016
Athens, Greece
www.eogme.gr

**Chinese Orthodontic Society
15th Annual Meeting**
Oct. 11-14, 2016
Xi’an, Shaanxi Province, China
Host: Xi’an Jiaotong University School of Stomatology

**Società Italiana di Ortodoncia
47th SIDO International Congress**
October 13-15, 2016
Fortezza da Basso
Florence, Italy
http://eventi.sido.it/congresso2016

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