The only global congress

An interview with FDI President Roberto Vianna

Um entrevista com o presidente da FDI, Roberto Vianna

• Global Mercury Partnership. In 2009, FDI joined the Global Mercury Partnership within the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) to ensure that the international dental community, and issues regarding dental amalgam, were properly and accurately represented. In UN discussions concerning FDI’s position, embodied in a statement approved by the General Assembly, which forms the basis of the presentation of dentistry’s case, to retain the use of dental amalgam for restorative purposes. This position was stated by the FDI President and Executive Director at a joint WHO/UNEP meeting.

What are FDI’s partnerships?

• The Global Caries Initiative, created conceptually in 2006 in Brasil de Caries Initiative by 2010, was launched at a major conference in collaboration with one of our FDI members, the Brazilian Dental Association (ABO), in Rio de Janeiro in July 2009. This conference was followed by meetings in Singapore, at the FDI World Dental Congress and in 2009 it was introduced in Dubai during the ADEOC meeting. Meetings are planned in Durban, South Africa (Oct 2010) and Brisbane, Australia (April 2011). As the initiative takes shape other major international oral health organisations are coming on board and financial and expert support is growing.

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• Live-Laugh-Laugh: Building on the success of the first phase, which raised awareness of the importance of oral health through a project carried out in 37 countries, FDI and Unilever Oral Care will continue into Phase II of their global partnership Live.Laugh. This second phase will be launched at the FDI 2010 AWDC and will focus on the message of brushing twice daily with a fluoride toothpaste, and aim to have an even greater impact.

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WDD: Qual é a importância do congresso mundial da FDI 2010 no Brasil?

Dr. Roberto Vianna: Em 1981, o Brasil sediou o Congresso Mundial de Odontologia, e na época o Brasil já era avançado em termos de promoção da saúde oral, através do desenvolvimento científico, tecnológico e público da Odontologia. Brasil foi contribuir globalmente para uma série adequada para FDI AWDC. Quase três décadas depois, ele está hospedando a seu segundo congresso. O Brasil tem muito para oferecer: com 20% dos dentistas do mundo, tem uma das comunidades dentais mais capazes e uma polifacética odontologia.

Thank you for the interview.

O presidente da FDI World Dental Federation, Dr. Roberto Vianna, de Brasil, explica as metas e objetivos da organização conhecida como a “Voz da Odontologia”, e da FDI. World Dental Press, based in the United Kingdom, with the International Dental Journal (IDJ) Developing Dentistry, FDI World Communique and Annual Report. Other resources include the FDI website, VDK and Data Memo.

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• Development projects. FDI promotes and supports global oral health development for deprived communities and populations in various ways:

Projects at grassroots level. In cooperation with FDI member association and non-governmental organisations and supported through grants of the FDI’s World Dental Development Fund. Projects have been established in Latin America, Asia and Africa.

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