Thessaloniki, the second biggest city of Greece is ready to host the 6th edition of the European Division Congress of the World Federation for Laser Dentistry (WFLD-ED). The fully renovated five-star hotel Makedonia Palace (Fig. 1) is hosting our event and it is ready to welcome all our participants. And we are happy to say that our European Congress has become a world event, as already our registrations involve a big number of colleagues from 33 countries!

Scientific programme

The congress programme will open on Friday 22 September on 9 a.m. (registration desk will be open from 8 a.m., please be on time). Our scientific programme will cover all aspects of laser dentistry by our prominent speakers.

After the congress opening, Prof. Dr Norbert Gutknecht will be starting the lectures with a presentation about peri-implantitis—the “Tsunami” in future dental diseases. Hereby, he will discuss the question whether the laser is giving dentistry a problem-based solution. Prof. Kenji Yoshida subsequently refers on the history and development of the World Federation of Laser Dentistry. In the following, the congress programme will be two-pronged leaving the participants to be spoilt for choice. Participants will have the great opportunity to listen to various renowned experts in the field of laser dentistry.
which are amongst others Prof. Adam Stabholz, Dr Miguel Martins, Dr Rene Franzen or Dr Kinga Grzech-Lesniak.

On Saturday, Prof. Samir Nammour will be opening the second congress day by analysing surgical protocols for the management of oral leukoplakia by means of laser beam and its limitations. Dr Jaana Sippus will then go on with a presentation on deep disinfection and tubular smear layer removal with Er:YAG laser.

In total, we will have the opportunity to scientifically indulge ourselves through the presentations of 25 invited speakers, 60 oral presentations and 30 e-poster presentations. Moreover, there will be ten hours of hands-on and workshops by different companies in satellite rooms.

Apart from our two laser days, a parallel programme on aesthetic dentistry and CAD/CAM will be running on Saturday 23 September with a number of specialists on the field as keynote lecturers.

The main scientific programme can be found online: www.wfld-thessaloniki2017.com

Social programme

Our social programme is also very exciting with the Welcome Cocktail afternoon on Friday 22 September at 7.30 p.m. at the exhibition hall of our congress, where we can socialise and visit our sponsor’s booths. Moreover, the official Gala Dinner of the congress will be held on Saturday 23 September at 8.30 p.m. at the exceptional ALLEGRO BAR of the M2 music hall of Thessaloniki. A true Greek night with many surprises and music is awaiting us here!

Furthermore, we are proud and honoured to have the biggest ever exhibition show in the history of the European Division Congresses. The palette of the exhibitors is truly representing the “World Leaders” in laser and restorative dentistry, covering the full spectrum of wavelengths available in the market. We are thankful to all of them, but mostly to our Platinum Sponsor, Light Instruments (Fig. 2).

Do not miss the chance to join the biggest event in laser and aesthetic dentistry for 2017. We are confident that you will enjoy a high-standard scientific programme, at a stunning location, in a beautiful and vivid city.

Let’s meet in Thessaloniki!
Let’s bring laser light to sunlight!