The British Academy of Restorative Dentistry (BARD) is an organisation whose core purpose is the education of dental clinicians, aiding in the improvement of Oral Health by offering them a flexible learning pathway.

These pathways can lead to MBR via PG certificate, Diploma, MSc and MCIndent. Members are encouraged and given the opportunity to improve their skills in all aspects of dentistry from the very basic principles to advanced treatments and concepts. Our members are not limited just to dentists, dental technicians are also part of the BARD family.

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Eugene Marais, Victor Cubillos and the team at Arton4 treating a live patient as part of their lecture. Training Booth, attendees could sign up to a range of theory and hands-on courses. Demonstrations of digital scanning and restoration production could be seen with Cerec. Alport & Vincent, core 3D and Swift dental talked about and showed the good quality work they produce, which gave the delegates a rare chance to discuss different approaches and treatments with lab technicians on a face to face basis. Braemar Finance provided their valuable knowledge in all things money/investment. There were dental experts from The Luke Barnett Centre for Cosmetic Dentistry, an opportunity to talk to Porsche and sit in a Tesla. All in All there were products and services to suit everyone’s dental and some non-dental needs.

Sponsors of the event made a fantastic contribution, the response and support exceeded expectations. There were an array of exhibitors offering the latest in materials, products and innovative technology designed in making the clinical practice more economical, effective and efficient. The exhibitors tied in with the lecture topics making their presence more valuable.

The focal point was the Rkids stand where there were demonstrations of a new non-metal Polymer PEEK used for fixed/removable dental prosthesis. There was a big buzz of interest in the next conference. Preparations and talks have already started and after the hugely positive remarks from this year’s conference, the goal being to keep up the high standard and wide range of topics, exhibitors and speakers as well as another superb social event.

The next BARD Conference is looking to be held at The Beffry Hotel and Resort in the Spring/Summer of 2017. Go to www.barb.uk.com for further information/details.
Thirty-three users from 18 countries: International summit for Dentsply Sirona treatment center experts

By Dentsply Sirona

Dentsply Sirona treatment centers must meet the needs of different users all around the world. In order to achieve an in-depth understanding of these needs and use them as the basis for further development, the company invited 33 selected users from 18 countries to an exclusive event in Bensheim. It provided the experts, for the first time, with a special platform to exchange experiences and opinions, both with Dentsply Sirona and each other.

Bensheim/Salzburg: At Dentsply Sirona, the definition of quality comprises the designing of products according to users’ wishes and needs, which may differ from country to country. This is why international dentists are becoming increasingly involved in product development processes. “Listening” was therefore the motto of the first Global Key User Summit, a three-day symposium for selected users of Dentsply Sirona treatment centers. From May 30 to June 1, the 33 dentists met at the German production site in Bensheim for an attractive program that included exchanging experiences, further development and training.

Ergonomic treatments

An important aspect of the symposium was working in ergonomic treatment positions. Thomas Tenghass, a dentist from Hamburg, clearly demonstrated how the new generation of treatment centers can support dentists while they work. “Up to now, I was not aware of these ergonomic training courses, so this was a very valuable input for me,” said Dr. Michael Panhebesky from Calgary (Canada). The range of topics also included brief seminars on integration, the digital workflow and infection control as well as an entertaining coaching presentation on communication with colleagues and patients given by prominent keynote speaker Georg Wawschinek from Vienna.

It is important for us to understand the details of the clinical challenges dentists face,” summarized Mariangela De Nata, product manager for Treatment Centers and organizer of the first summit. “This is why talking to dentists from different countries is so important because this is the only way we can develop products that make dental treatments better, faster and safer.”

Important exchange of experiences among users

The participants were equally enthusiastic. Dr. Sun Rui Hong from China said, “The dental world was so small for us and now it has become much bigger. It is vital to exchange experiences with colleagues as this results in a far better understanding of how we can make the best use of our Dentsply Sirona equipment.” All of the participants praised the sense of community. Rui Hong called it “a new family.”

Dentsply Sirona provided the high-quality and extensive transfer of knowledge. The participants gained practical insights into the treatment center creation process during a tour of the Dentsply Sirona production halls. The guests from around the world also enjoyed a tour of the historical city of Heidelberg, including a visit to the castle.

Opening speech by Robert Gareky, CEO Ivoclar Vivadent AG

Fig. 1: Thirty-three participants from 18 countries met in Bensheim for training and to exchange experiences on treatment centers.

Fig. 2: The topics covered in the training courses ranged from ergonomics in dentistry, integration and the digital workflow to infection control and communication coaching.

Fig. 2: Thirty people attended the Symposium.

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