



21 March 2023

## LETTER OF INVITATION

To: global Ministers of Health

Dear Minister,

The FDI World Dental Federation has the honour to invite you to appoint your Chief Dental Officer to attend the 2023 World Dental Congress (WDC) in Sydney, 23-27 September 2023. A letter to your Chief Dental Officer has been sent under separate cover.

The Chief Dental Officer (CDO) is taken to mean the person in a country who is currently officially appointed as the senior civilian federal government authority in oral health policy.

A meeting of the Chief Dental Officers has been held annually at every WDC for the last 39 years. This provides the only forum for Chief Dental Officers to meet regularly on a global basis in order to take stock of international developments in their field of responsibility. This year there will be a Public Health Committee & Chief Dental Officer Joint Forum, an Alliance for a Cavity-Free Future Session, and a World Oral Health Forum.

Beyond the program for the CDOs, the main Scientific Program for the Congress contains many themes which are of great interest to Chief Dental Officers.

Our Section also holds an Annual Business Meeting, which will take place on Saturday 23 September 2023, from 11h00 to 12h30.

The FDI is unable to offer any financial assistance with regard to travel, subsistence or registration of participants. Your representative is requested to register on line for the Congress as soon as possible, so that we may more accurately gauge the logistic requirements for this year's CDO venues.

Best wishes and kind regards.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Taylor'.

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