



**fdi** Section  
Chief Dental Officers/  
Dental Public Health

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## LETTER OF INVITATION

To: global Chief Dental Officers

Dear Chief Dental Officer,

The FDI World Dental Federation has the honour to invite you to attend the 106<sup>th</sup> World Dental Congress (WDC) in Buenos Aires, 05-08 September 2018. A letter to your Minister 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.

An International Conference of Chief Dental Officers has been held annually at every World Dental Congress for the last 35 years. This Conference 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, the International Conference of CDOs is entitled ***Tooth loss, how to handle it? A public health perspective***, and will take place on Thursday 06 September 2018, from 14h30 to 17h00. In addition to the program for the International Conference of CDOs, this year there will also be a WHO Forum, led by the WHO Dental Officer, on Thursday 06 September 2018, from 09h00 to 12h00. Further, 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 Wednesday 05 September 2018, from 13h00 to 16h00.

The FDI is unable to offer any financial assistance with regard to travel, subsistence or registration of participants. You are 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.

I look forward to meeting you in Buenos Aires. Best wishes and kind regards.

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