



Have you already planned for 2006?



Dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure for the editorial team of JOLA to start the new year with only good news; the past year concluded with the foundation of two new Laser societies – BALDM, the Bulgarian Association of Laser Dental Medicine, in Sofia in December 2005, and SOLAS, the Serbian Oral Laser Application Society, in Nis in November 2005. Both societies are closely co-operating with ESOLA and plan to have JOLA as their official publication.

The provenience of the authors submitting to JOLA reflects the worldwide net ESOLA has managed to build up today, and we hope to solidify this net in the near future. We can look ahead to a promising and exciting season.

The great interest ESOLA shows in offering a standardized, but nevertheless practicable method of laser education is documented in a very full and interesting workshop calendar scheduled for 2006, providing numerous possibilities to get in touch with state-of-the-art laser techniques in dentistry. Details of upcoming events can be found in the section Academy/Schedule of the ESOLA homepage.

Over the years, we have learned a lot from the evaluations given to us by the educational course participants, and the Module system of the Academy is now a regulated, easy-to-schedule curriculum. Hundreds of attendees during these years suggest we are on the right track.

Our idea of bringing colleagues from all over the world – practitioners as well as university members – into close contact is reflected by the outcome of international study groups built up within the ESOLA Acad-

emy Alumni Club. We expect that their presentations during the Mauritius Symposium will document university-based, practically executed treatment methods.

ESOLA is looking forward to three exciting events in 2006.

- The Mauritius Symposium – “Burning questions in Laser dentistry” (February)
- The 1st Mediterranean Laser Congress (Rhodes, September) in co-operation with HELSOLA
- The 1st Indian Laser Conference (Mumbai, October) in co-operation with INSOLA

If you have not planned for 2006 yet, perhaps we can inspire you to join us at one of our scientific meetings. You are welcome to look for more information on ESOLA’s website. Downloading registration for the meetings is possible there.

We hope the conferences will live up to expectations and give a demonstration of the significance ESOLA has reached in the landscape of Laser dentistry today.

I am looking forward to meeting all of you and enjoying lively discussions at one of ESOLA’s conferences!

Yours

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