

Let's Celebrate SOLA's 10-year Anniversary!



Dear Colleagues,

Hopefully all of you had nice vacations and are back at work, full of power for the next months.

During the summer break, a lot of changes occurred in SOLA and some changes could be suspended.

Our Secretary General, DDr. Franziska Beer, is not only highly active in the SOLA Board, she has also been able to find time to stay on as the managing editor of JOLA. In the name of the board, thank you DDr. Beer!

The major news we have to report is that the location of the next congress – our biannual congress – is changing. After extensive talks with colleagues and also with the presidents of the National Societies, the whole board of SOLA decided to run the scheduled meeting in Australia as an AALD Conference in July, located on the Gold Coast. So we will not cancel the conference, we're just making it a little bit smaller. Our partner society "down under" has done a perfect job of preparing the meeting and has SOLA's full support for the time being.

The 5th SOLA Congress will be switched to another wonderful location: Vienna, from October 22nd to 24th, 2009. For SOLA, this is a return to its roots. Time has rushed by – it was exactly on October 24th,

1999 that our society was founded and the first meeting was held at Vienna University. We are really working hard on the organization of this 10-year anniversary conference to make it the real world conference of laser dentistry: that's what laser dentistry needs and what it deserves.

This conference is also intended to be the annual conference of our National Partner Societies. At the last presidents' circle, the presidents of the National Societies agreed on this. So, our 10-year anniversary congress will not only be SOLA's conference, but the congress of the whole big laser family which has its roots in ESOLA.

I am looking forward to celebrating 10 years of SOLA together with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Moritz".

Prof. DDr. Andreas Moritz
President of SOLA
Editor-in-Chief JOLA