This year, in addition to the International Dental Show, significant for the entire global dental industry, another important event in digital dentistry is taking place: the CAD/CAM and Digital Dentistry International Conference—celebrating its tenth anniversary—which is to be held in May at the Jumeirah Beach Hotel in Dubai.

Almost 20 years after the first CAD/CAM system was presented on the market, with great enthusiasm and a belief in digitalizing dentistry, the Centre for Advanced Professional Practices (CAPP) held its first CAD/CAM and computerized dentistry conference in the Middle East. CAPP, with a group of passionate leaders, such as Drs Munir Silwadi, Aisha Sultan and Omar Adee, supported by 3M ESPE, Sirona, KaVo, etkon and the MOH, UAE, has made possible what we have today, the fruit of ten years of continuous dedication to digital dentistry education. To date, more than 15,000 dentists and dental technicians have been educated in digital dentistry by CAPP.

Our journey over the last decade has been fraught with the many challenges of keeping pace with the incredibly fast growth of the industry and new technologies. Ten years ago, we could not even have imagined the opportunities to change dentistry and improve patient care, covering everything from diagnosis to treatment in terms of precise, improved efficiency, and changing outcomes and aesthetic needs.

What has been accomplished in the past ten years has been significant, and we would like to acknowledge our business partners, industry, sponsors and supporters for helping us make CAPP the success it is today. Thank you to all who have worked with CAPP during this period and who share the challenges and passion. We are grateful to all of the dentists and dental technicians who have followed us in this decade of rapid development in the dental industry and technologies.

In 2015, there is one more anniversary to celebrate: CAD/CAM magazine is now 6 years old! Since 2010, CAD/CAM has served as a platform for education and information exchange, and we all hope it will continue. Inside this issue, you will find clinical articles, as well as reviews of CAD/CAM technology, and industry news.

Yours faithfully,

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