Highly topical lectures, prominent speakers and lively discussions made up the first ITI Congress Switzerland. It was attended by more than 500 professionals and specialists in implant dentistry and took place in Biel against the magnificent backdrop of the lake and surrounding hills.

The congress dealt with the life cycle of an implant and covered aspects from treatment planning to possible complications. Speakers from universities, specialists from private practice and dental technicians took part in the program. Representatives from the Universities of Basel, Bern, Geneva and Zurich involved in peri-implantitis treatment elaborated their position and contributed to a spirited round table discussion. An industry exhibition rounded off the successful congress and provided participants with valuable information on current products and trends.

“This was the first time that an ITI national congress was held in Switzerland and we were very happy with the way it went”, says Prof Dr Nicola Zitzmann, ITI Education Delegate Switzerland. “It provided an excellent opportunity for Swiss ITI Members and Fellows as well as other dental professionals to get up to date on the latest developments in implant dentistry.”

Only a few days later, the ITI Congress Iberia took place. Well over 750 professionals in implant dentistry attended the congress which was held in Santiago de Compostela. The congress dealt with evidence-based implant dentistry and offered a diverse program with parallel sessions for dental technicians and hygienists. It also included an industry exhibition, pre-congress courses and hands-on workshops, which were highly appreciated by the participants. “We received very positive feedback and were very happy with the smooth way the event took place”, said Juan Blanco, Chair of the ITI Section Iberia, which is just about to pass the 450-mark for Fellows and Members.

Various top speakers from Iberia and abroad, among them Stephen Chen from Australia and German Gallucci from the US, contributed significantly to the overall success of the congress and provided the audience with valuable input. The Chancellor of the University of Santiago as well as the Dean of the School of Medicine and Dentistry also attended the congress, thus signaling the importance of the event for the region.