Between 19th – 21st October, 2018, the Turkish Academy of Esthetic Dentistry (EDAD) held its 22nd edition of the International Congress of Esthetic Dentistry. An outstanding event, with over 600 participants, held in the beautiful city of Istanbul, where history and science perfectly combined together.

The congress lasts for 3 full days of an intensive training program with theoretical presentations in one main hall as well as workshops and practical courses in parallel side halls. In addition, Poster and Oral Presentations brought about one other element that colored the congress, along with a very interesting exhibition area where the most important companies in the dental market presented their latest novelties. This year EDAD gathered the most significant speakers in the field of dentistry: Dr. Stavros Pelekanos from Greece, Dr. Gaetano Paolone from Italy, Dr. Florin Cofar from Romania, Dr. Mirela Feraru from Israel, Dr. Marcelo Calamita from Brazil, Dr. Florin Lazarescu from Romania, Dr. Dan Herschbach from Germany, Dr. Andrea Fabianelli from Italy, and many more. Among the highlights of the scientific program were the topics surrounding aesthetic dentistry, digital dentistry, concepts of full mouth rehabilitation, restorative dentistry, soft tissue management, etc.

The EDAD Foundation celebrating its 22nd anniversary this year, was spearheaded by Galip Gürel, Selim Pamuk, Ata Anl, Gazanfer Gür, Hasan Alkumru, Ahmet Kurtaran, Mete Fanuscu and Engin Taviloğlu.

EDAD has brought Turkish dentists together with respected scientists’ high-quality presentation techniques and intense case study-based seminars. EDAD has set its mission to become the primary channel to keep its members up-to-date with the advancements and changes in aesthetic dentistry in a quickly evolving technological environment, and has been successful in fulfilling its mission.

One of the most important advantages EDAD provides its members with is to show them that knowledge can be implemented in their practices without making concessions with respect to their academic knowledge. The EDAD congresses have been of utmost importance in teaching our dentists how to apply academic research to practical instruments rather than simply teach them the raw results of academic studies.

Furthermore, EDAD showed that a congress is not just a mere exchange of scientific information, but an opportunity for our colleagues to socialize and have fun in a common environment with scientists and their colleagues from different parts of the world.

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