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ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT 2023

FOR THE ASSOCIATION FOR DENTAL EDUCATION IN EUROPE

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1.1 About ADEE

The Association for Dental Education in Europe (ADEE) was founded in 1975 as an independent European organisation representing academic dentistry and the community of dental educators. Since then, ADEE has played an important role by enhancing the quality of education, advancing the professional development of dental educators and supporting research in education and training of oral health personnel.

ADEE brings together a broad-based membership across Europe comprised of dental schools, specialist societies and national associations concerned with dental education.

1.2 Mission statements

ADEE is committed to the advancement of the highest level of health care for all people of Europe through its mission statements.

- To promote the advancement and foster convergence towards high standards of dental education
- To promote and help to co-ordinate peer review and quality assurance in dental education and training
- To promote the development of assessment and examination methods
- To promote exchange of staff, students and programmes
- To disseminate knowledge and understanding on education
- To provide a European link with other bodies concerned with education, particularly dental education.

1.3 Governance

1.3.1 ADEE Executive Committee

The ADEE Executive Committee is elected by the General Assembly of members to govern ADEE activities. The Executive is the main administrative body of ADEE and ensures the principles of the Constitution of the Association 1996 (revised November 2004 and August 2016) and the Bylaws of the Association 1996 (revised September 2004 and August 2016) are upheld at all times.

The Executive holds the responsibility of directing and organising ADEE activities, enacting the decisions of the General Assembly and the monitoring of the association's finances. The Executive has the power to appoint executive and administrative officers to serve in administrative functions of the committee.

The ADEE Executive Committee is supported by the ADEE Regional Council. The Council brings together representatives from the ADEE regions to consult and advise the Executive on its work.

The ADEE Executive Committee is in post for the period 1st January to 31st December of a given year. During 2023 the Executive Committee and regional councils were constituted by the following:

ADEE Executive Officers



President
Prof. Dr. Paal Barkvoll
Norway



Secretary-General
Prof. Dr. Barry Quinn
United Kingdom



Treasurer
Prof. Julia Davies
Sweden



Editor
Dr. Ronald Gorter
Netherlands



President Elect
Prof. Brian O'Connell
Ireland



European Affairs Officer
Prof. Sibylle Vital
France

ADEE Executive Members



Assoc. Prof. Ina Schüler
Germany



Dr. James Field
United Kingdom



Dr. Upen Patel
United Kingdom



Prof. Elene Gigineishvili
Georgia



Prof. Livia Ottolenghi
Italy

Regional Council Membership 2022 - 2024

Region 1: Ireland and the United Kingdom



Prof. Dr. Barry
Quinn
United Kingdom



Dr. Richeal Ni
Riordain
Ireland



Prof. Mohammed
Al-Haroni
Norway



Assoc. Prof. Ülle
Voog-Oras
Estonia

Region 2: Scandinavia and Baltic countries

Region 3: Western Europe



Prof. Dr. Katleen
Vandamme
Belgium



Prof. Dr. Robert
Sader
Germany



Dr. Nathan MOREAU
France



Assoc. Prof.
Domenic
Dalessandri
Italy

Region 4: Southern Europe

Region 5: Eastern Europe



Prof. Dr. Meda-
Lavinia Negrutiu
Romania



Prof. Dr. Ivan
Alajbeg
Croatia

Region 6: South & Eastern Mediterranean, North Africa and Middle East



Dr. Jean-Michel
Saadé
Lebanon



Prof. Dr. Cansu
Alpaslan
Turkey



Assoc. Prof. Adel
Bouguezzi
Tunisia

Regional Council Co-chairs



Prof. Dr. Ilze
Akota
Latvia



Prof. Dr. Paal
Barkvoll
Norway



Prof. Dr. Rui
Amaral Mendes
Portugal

1.3.2 Administrative Staff and IT Support



**Chief Administrative
Officer**
Mr. Denis Murphy
Ireland



Membership Officer
Ms. Judith O'Brien
Ireland



IT Support
Mr. Miguel Braga
Portugal



**Quality Assurance and
Research Projects Officer**
Ms Maria Van Harten
Ireland

ADEE Staff are responsible for implementing the day-to-day decisions of the Executive Committee and coordinating the work of ADEE.

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1.3.3 Executive Standing sub committees

To assist in its activities the ADEE Executive operates a number of standing committees.

For 2023, the standing committees were:

A: Excellence in Education Committee

- Dr. Ronald Gorter Chair (NL)
- Prof Michael Botelho, Hong Kong

B: Journal Management Committee

- Dr. Ronald Gorter Chair (NL)
- Professor Cristina Manzanares (ES)
- Ms Mie Bak (DE) representing Wiley

C: Editorial Board

The Editorial board was chaired by Dr Ronald Gorter ADEE Editor. It meets annually in persona at the ADEE meeting and online as required.

Editorial Board Composition for 2023

Editor-in-Chief

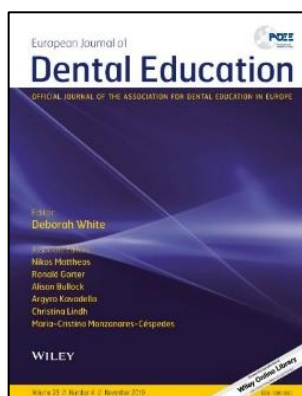
Dr Ronald Gorter, ACTA, The Netherlands

Associate Editors

Professor Kamran Ali, Plymouth, UK
 Professor Michael Botelho, Hong Kong
 Dr. Samantha Byrne, Australia
 Professor Michele Giuliani, Foggia, Italy
 Professor Jaya Jayasinghe, Aberdeen, UK
 Professor Maria-Cristina Manzanares-Céspedes, Barcelona, Spain
 Professor Barry Quinn, London, UK
 Dr. Kavita Rohini Mathu-Muju, Vancouver, Canada

Editorial Board Members

Dr Irene HA Aartman, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 Dr Susan Bridges, Hong Kong
 Professor Toh Chooi Gait, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
 Professor Luke Dawson, Liverpool, UK
 Dr Marco Antonio Dias da Silva, Patos, Paraiba, Brazil
 Professor Nora Donaldson, London, UK
 Professor John Eisner, New York, USA
 Professor Peter Gaengler, Witten, Germany
 Dr Marjolaine Gosset, Paris, France
 Dr Maria Van Harten, Dublin, Ireland
 Professor Winfried Harzer, Dresden, Germany
 Dr Anastassia Kossioni, Athens, Greece
 Dr Chris Louca, London, UK
 Dr Kavita Mathu-Muju, Vancouver, Canada
 Professor Anders Nattestad, San Francisco, USA
 Dr Open Patel, Birmingham, UK
 Professor Morten Rykke, Oslo, Norway
 Dr Andrea Sardella, Milan, Italy
 Dr Simon Tran, Quebec, Canada
 Professor Sibylle Vital, Paris, France
 Professor Johann de Vries, Doha, Qatar
 Professor Damien Walmsley, Birmingham, UK
 Ms Margaret Wardman, Leeds, UK



The ADEE Executive extends its appreciation to all who serve on the European Journal of Dental Education. If you are interested in joining the editorial board contact administrator@adee.org

1.3.6. Schedule of Meetings Held 2023

In line with the constitution and bylaws of the association, the minimum of two Executive Committee meetings were held during 2023. The following summarises the scheduled meeting dates of the Executive for 2023 which were carried out either online or in person.

Meeting Dates	Meeting type	Location	Attendees
This table summarises the meetings of the Executive only and does not include meetings such as; site visits, audit visits, partnership and collaborative meetings attended by various members of the committee.			
17th January	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
23rd February	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
21st March	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
5th April	Regional Council	Online	Regional Council & ADEE Admin
18th April	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
18th April	GED taskforce	Online	Taskforce & ADEE Admin
6th May	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
24th May	OHE Taskforce	In Person Dublin	Taskforce & ADEE Admin
20th June	ExCo Annual Meeting finalisation	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
21st August	Full Day ExCo	In Person Liverpool	ExCo & ADEE Admin
19th September	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
6th October	General Assembly	Online	ExCo, Membership and ADEE Admin
17th October	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
21st November	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin
11th December	GED taskforce	In person Edinburgh	Taskforce & ADEE Admin
19th December	Regular ExCo	Online	ExCo & ADEE Admin

1.3.7 Governance Activity During 2023

The Executive Committee as the body within the Association charged with oversight and management of the activities of ADEE and as such performed a number of specific functions during 2022.

A: Annual Audit

The ADEE financial year ends 31st December. Books of accounts as maintained by the Dublin office were prepared for presentation to the Associations auditors Meagher Moynihan in early January 2024. A full audit of accounts was performed during late January, early February and a meeting held with the Auditors, ADEE Treasurer and ADEE staff on February 15th 2024. Initial draft accounts for 2023 were reviewed at this meeting prior to presentation to the scheduled meeting of the Executive in Dublin 22nd Feb 2024 for approval and signing.

B: EU Transparency Register

The Association's annual registration update with the EU transparency register was completed on 18th July 2023. ADEE's registration number is 224420913440-79. The registration must be updated annually. Information on the purpose and role of the Transparency register, associated code of conduct and ADEE's record on the register can be reviewed **here**.

C: Irish Charities Regulatory Return

The Association's registration with the Charities Regulatory Authority in Ireland was updated 16th October 2023 following the approval of the 2022 Annual Report and Financial Statements by the General Assembly at its annual meeting. This return was made within the legislative timeframe allowed. ADEE's registered charity number is 20058111. The full entry including annual reports and financial statements can be viewed by the public at <https://www.charitiesregulatoryauthority.ie/> or on the ADEE.org webpage under publications.

Work is ongoing on ensuring ADEE complies with the new ADEE governance Code that came into effect in 2020. This entails considerable work on documentation of ADEE policies and protocols as well as annual reporting mechanisms. The work was begun during 2020 by the ADEE office and by late 2023 It was consider that all requirements of the code are now being met.

D: Trustees

ADEE appointed trustees for 1st January 2021 - 31st December 2024 are detailed below. In line with legislation the majority of whom must be resident in Ireland. The current trustees are:

- Mr David Barry (IRL)
- Dr Eilis De Lap (IRL)
- Prof Julia Davies (SE) Trustee Chair

E: Bank account

ADEE operates full electronic banking for its daily payments with Allied Irish Banks.

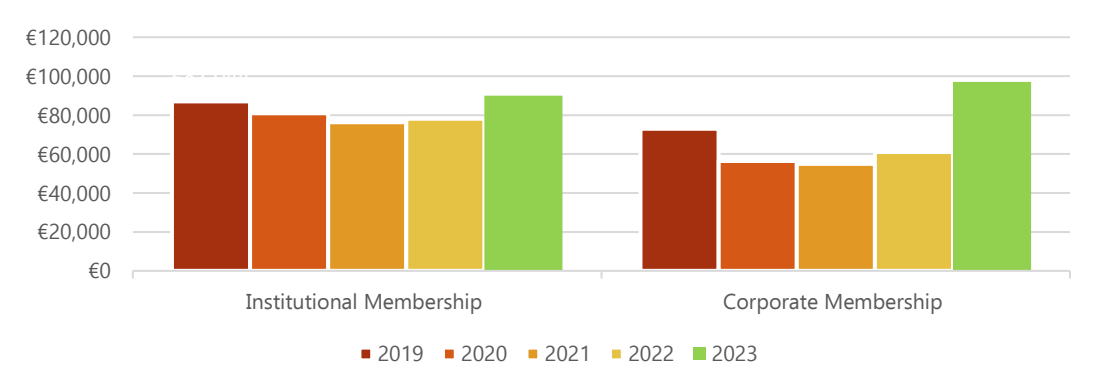
F: ADEE Staff review

In line with employee contracts, ADEE staff contracts are reviewed annually in December. During 2023 a new 5 year contract was agreed with Mr Murphy for his role as CAO. In addition, Ms Maria Van Harten was appointed to a new part time staff role of Quality Assurance and Research Projects Officer following an open competition.

2.1 2022 Membership data

The Executive continues to work with members to ensure the benefits of membership outweigh the cost. In 2023 the annual membership fee saw a modest increase to €625 per institution. This membership allows all staff and students within the faculty to create a profile and thereby attain access to the EJDE and also discounted ADEE meeting attendance. Revenue from membership income and corporate partnerships remains ADEE core sources of income to fund the office functions.

Figure 2.1 Comparative of Institutional and corporate membership 2019 to 2023
(to be confirmed post audit with final audited figures)



As can be seen from figure 2.1 income from both these categories are back on a positive trend. The delivery of an in person meeting, considerable engagement with corporate partners by the Executive and Office and concerted focus on ensuring collection of membership payments by the office have all assisted this greatly.

The executive committee sincerely thanks the member institutions who paid annual membership promptly in 2023. We very much appreciate the ongoing financial constraints members are under and appreciate your ongoing support.

2.1.1 Institutional and Affiliate Membership in numbers

The following summarises trends in Institutional and Affiliate membership 2017 to 2023 inclusive:

Table 2 1 Membership summary 2017 to 2023 inclusive

Details	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total combined Institutional and Affiliate members	143	138	151	147	171	165	150
Number of Institutional Members	118	117	119	115	134	130	129
Number of Affiliate Members	25	21	32	32	37	34	30

2.2 Corporate Partnerships

The following table provides a summary of corporate membership trends 2017 to 2023:

Table 2 2 Corporate membership summary 2016 to 2023 inclusive

Details	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Number of Platinum Partnerships	8	7	6	6	9	8	8
Number of Gold Partnerships	7	5	10	4	7	9	9
Exhibiting non members	6	3	-	-			

The ADEE office and Executive sincerely thanks those corporate partners who engaged fully with the association during 2023. The Executive through the office continues to evolve and grow partnerships with relevant corporate partners for the betterment of the association and advancement of health and education.

3.0 Summary Achievements 2023

3.1. ADEE Financial Situation

3.1.1 Income and Expenditure Account:

The following is the income and expenditure account extracted from the full set of audited accounts covering the period 01.01.23 to 31.12.23.

Association for Dental Education in Europe
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
TRADING STATEMENT
 for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Schedule	2023 €	2022 €
Sales			
Membership schools		94,200	78,157
Membership corporation		107,000	61,000
Awards		1,000	1,576
Scholarship income		5,000	5,000
IFDEA income		2,250	8,719
O-Health-Education		229	35,736
Wiley project		8,649	10,000
CPD Consultancy		-	600
Annual conference - general registrations		164,822	103,616
Annual conference - corporate exhibitors		38,350	47,273
Annual conference - corporate sponsorship		22,000	25,647
Other income		11,566	-
Leader income		12,000	7,000
		<u>467,066</u>	<u>384,324</u>
Overhead expenses	1	<u>(497,512)</u>	<u>(443,586)</u>
		<u>(30,446)</u>	<u>(59,262)</u>
Miscellaneous income	2	<u>-</u>	<u>63</u>
Net loss		<u><u>(30,446)</u></u>	<u><u>(59,199)</u></u>

While the following is a breakdown of the overhead expenses.

Association for Dental Education in Europe
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SCHEDULE 1 : OVERHEAD EXPENSES
for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 €	2022 €
Administration Expenses		
Wages and salaries	101,834	93,406
Executive committee and administrative costs 1	737	20,011
Pensions costs	9,000	9,000
EU engagement	9,361	4,083
ADEE international representation	14,191	7,999
O-Health-Education	8,742	31,023
Taskforce/GDC/DentCPD	7,247	-
Insurance	900	-
Office costs	5,897	6,580
Printing, postage and stationery	-	892
IFDEA	1,440	6,473
European journal for dental education	22,407	24,279
Website associated costs	25,120	18,065
Online transaction costs	3,861	-
Scholarship support	5,000	5,000
Conference cost (Palma)	-	202,326
Conference cost (Liverpool)	270,802	-
Research & development	-	5,947
Audit and accountancy	7,380	7,872
Bank charges	2,093	630
Charitable donations	1,500	-
	<u>497,512</u>	<u>443,586</u>

3.1.3 Note on annual finances

The following are key points of note from the 2023 audited accounts:

- There is a noticeable increase in turnover as we returned to face to face meeting with normal attendance rates
- Membership fees and corporate support both noted an increase which has greatly impacted the bottom line.
- There has been very positive feedback on LPL meeting, however financially it was challenging for two key factors; Gala Dinner and financial transaction costs
- Conference income increased turn over however there is an associated increase in costs associated with this
- Staff salaries and contracts were reviewed and increments agreed in Q3 2023 for coming contract terms
- With the return to travel international and EU engagement costs return to pre COVID levels
- Website costs include considerable revision to GED website and LEADER project pages

- The Executive expresses thanks to ADEE corporate members who have continue to support our work in what has been difficult operational environment for all
- In addition thanks to the Auditors for their guidance and frankness in approach and to the Trustees for their willingness to act in the role which has legal responsibilities attached to it
- Finally thanks to the ADEE member schools for their membership and engagement

3.2 ADEE Annual Meeting 2023: Liverpool, United Kingdom

3.2.1 Local Organising Committee (LOC)

The Annual Scientific Meeting of ADEE 2023 was delivered in collaboration with the School of Dentistry, University of Liverpool, United Kingdom.

ADEE was delighted to have a full return to an in person meeting and one of our largest exhibitions in some years. A full programme of events and social activities was arranged by the host university and with considerable support provided by Liverpool Convention Bureau, all of which added to the success of the meeting.

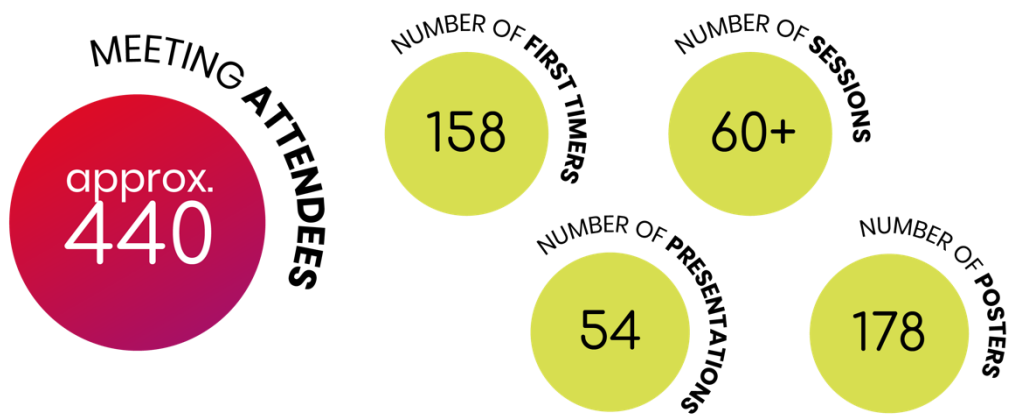
The Executive Committee and ADEE office sincerely thank Prof Vince Bissell Dean of the School of Dentistry and Prof Barry Quinn for their support and enthusiasm for delivering ADEE 2023.

Delegates and corporate partners alike all commended the venue choice, its accessibility and the city's warm welcome. Considerable positive comments were also received from delegates with regards to programme content and approach.

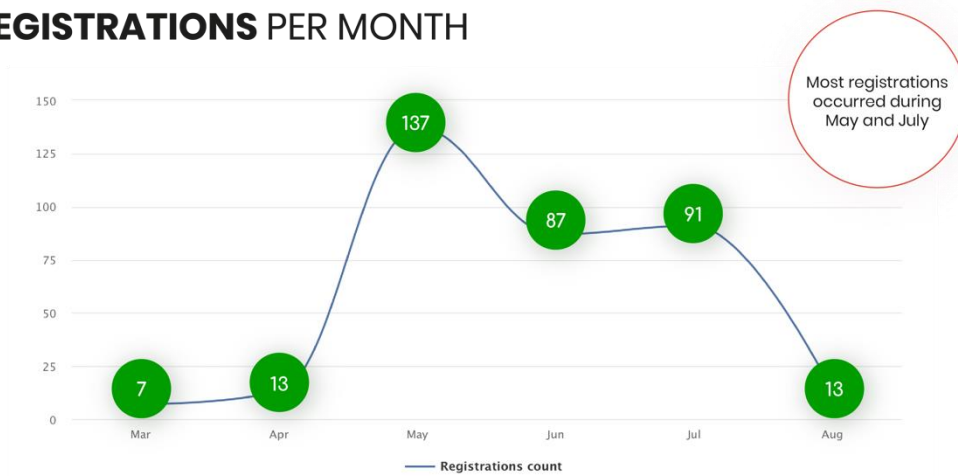
3.2.2 ADEE 2023 Liverpool Summary Facts

The following infographic summarises key statistics for ADEE 2023:

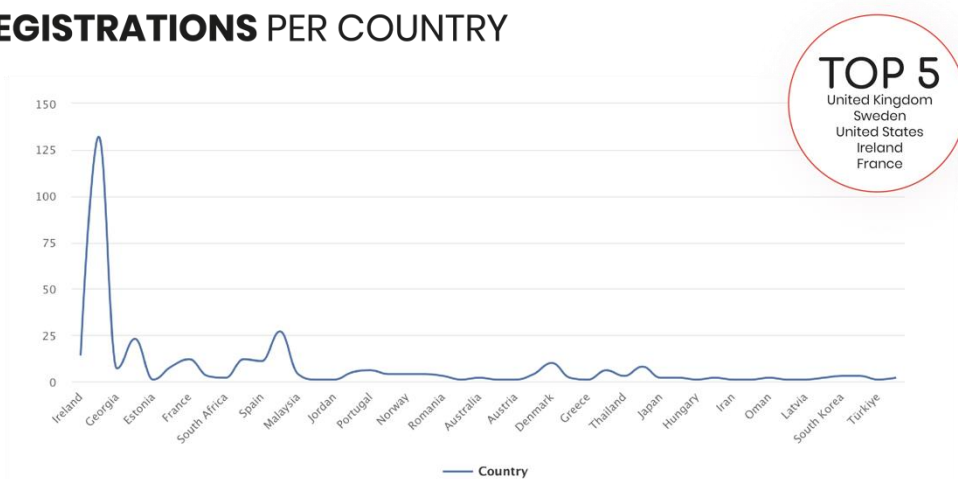




REGISTRATIONS PER MONTH



REGISTRATIONS PER COUNTRY



Ireland	14	Poland	4	Oman	2
United Kingdom	132	Romania	3	Czech Republic	1
Georgia	7	Cyprus	1	Latvia	1
United States	23	Australia	2	Qatar	2
Estonia	1	Israel	1	South Korea	3
Germany	8	Austria	1	Malta	3
France	12	Chile	4	Türkiye	1
Croatia	3	Denmark	10	Switzerland	2
South Africa	2	Mexico	2		
Netherlands	12	Greece	1		
Spain	11	Italy	6		
Sweden	27	Thailand	3		
Malaysia	4	Belgium	8		
Palestinian Territory	1	Japan	2		
Jordan	1	Bulgaria	2		
Finland	5	Hungary	1		
Portugal	6	Saudi Arabia	2		
Lithuania	4	Iran	1		
Norway	4	Puerto Rico	1		

3.2.3 Excellence in Education Awards

At ADEE 2023 we recognised colleagues with a number of excellence in dental education awards made during meeting under three categories as follows;



ADEE EARLY AND MATURE CAREER
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
AWARDS CEREMONY
SUPPORTED BY DENTSPLY SIRONA

Early Career Educators awards were presented to:

- Jonathan Marsden University of Liverpool, UK
- Manal Ablal University of Liverpool, UK



ADEE EARLY AND MATURE CAREER
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
AWARDS CEREMONY
SUPPORTED BY DENTSPLY SIRONA

Mature Career awards were presented to:

- Cristina Manzanares, University Barcelona, Spain
- Isabell Cunningham, University of Bristol, UK
- Jaya Jayasinghe, University of Aberdeen, UK
- Vivian Binnie, Glasgow Dental Hospital & School, UK



INTER
PROFESSIONAL
EDUCATOR
AWARD
SUPPORTED BY ORAL-B

One Inter/Intra Professional awards were presented to:

- Alaa Daud, University of Bristol, UK
- Morag Powell, Peninsula Dental School, UK
- Zoe Abbas, University of Birmingham, UK

The ADEE Executive congratulates those who have been recognised for contribution to the profession and for their commitment to education standards and its improvement.



3.3 Report on General Assembly 2023

The 2023 General Assembly was held online on Friday 6th October at 11:00 (UK Time) using the ZOOM meeting platform.

A number of pre assembly meetings were held with the officers to share officer reports and updates with members so any questions could be clarified.

A dedicated general assembly meeting webpage was made accessible to members clearly outline the assembly plans and giving them access to pre-recorded officer reports. You can review the pre-recorded content and documents at <https://adee.org/news/formal-notice-adee-general-assembly-2023>

3.3.1 General Assembly Agenda items

The meeting's agenda covered the normal approved process:

11:00	President Calls meeting to order and asks for acceptance of agenda
11:05	Minutes of 2022 GA Meeting Approval and any matters arising not on agenda
11:10	Officers Reports: Delegates are asked to review the pre-recorded reports in advance of the meeting and these are taken as read followed by any questions from members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the President - questions for the president (Recording 1) • Report of the Secretary General - questions for the Secretary General (Recording 2) • Report of the Editor - questions for the editor (Recording 3) • Report of the EU affairs officer - questions for the EU Affairs officer (Recording 4) Acceptance of the above reports. (Proposer and Secunder)
11:30	Financial and Reporting Matters: Report of the Treasurer - questions for the treasurer (Recording 5) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptance of treasurers report (Proposer and Secunder) • Approval of 2022 Audited Account (Proposer and Secunder) (Doc 02.00) • Approval of rolling three budget to 2023 (Proposer and Secunder) (Doc 03.00) • Approval of Annual Report 2022 (Proposer and Secunder) (Doc 04.00)
11:40	Report of the nominations committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reappointment of James Field, Upen Patel and Ina Schuler for a period to 3 year to end Dec 2026
11:50	Presentation of ADEE 2024 LEUVEN
11:55	AOB: Any other business of the assembly
12:00	Meeting close

3.3.2 Key decisions taken at General Assembly 2022

The following summarises the key actions and decisions approved by the General Assembly:

- I. The minutes of the General Assembly 2022 held in online were approved
- II. The financial accounts for the year ending 31st December 2022 were accepted
- III. The modified budget for 2023 was approved
- IV. The Annual Report 2022 was accepted
- V. The officers reports were accepted and approved
- VI. Appointments to ADEE Executive were made as follows:
- VII. Reappointment of Prof James Field, Prof Upen Patel and Prof Ina Schuler to the ADEE Executive Committee for a period to 3 year to end Dec 2026

4.0 Report on Collaborative Activities

4.1 O-Health-Edu Erasmus + Project

While the OHE project formally completed in 2022, work still continued into 2023 with the drafting and submission for publication of a number of manuscripts summarising the state of Oral Health Professionals Education in Europe. These were accepted for publication by the EDJE in December 2023.

ADEE wishes to commend and acknowledge the work of Dr Jonathan Dixons (Sheffield United Kingdom) for his lead authorship of these collaborative texts.

4.2 Collaborative stakeholder engagement

During 2023 ADEE continued to reach out and engage with relevant stakeholder groups at a European level. These included what ADEE views as our core collaborative stakeholder groups at a European engagement level;

- the Council of European Dentists,
- The Platform for Better Oral Health in Europe,
- the European Dental Students Association,
- the Federation of European Dental Competent Authorities and Regulators and
- the European Dental Hygienist Federation

In addition ADEE formal representation was invited by both the European Endodontic Society (ESE) and the European Federation of Periodontology (EFP), both of whom are currently updating their undergraduate curriculum documents. ADEE wishes to acknowledge the positive reception by both these organisations of ADEE contribution to their processes and looks forward to ongoing and increased collaboration in 2024.

4.2.1 American Dental Education Association (ADEA)

The ADEE - ADEA relationship continues to grow with representation of leadership and staff in attendance at respective meetings conference and annual meeting. ADEA brought considerable representation to ADEE Liverpool including Board and Staff representation as well as some individual US schools sending delegates and abstract submission in 2023. ADEE was represented at ADEA 2023 in Portland by Prof Quinn, Prof Paganelli and Mr Murphy.

The leadership of both organisations are focused on increasing collaboration wherever feasible and in the mutual best interest of our respective memberships.

Attendance at ADEA annual conference is a useful meeting also for the ADEE office as a means of engaging and evolving our corporate relations with industry.

4.2.2 ENQA

ADEE remained as an associate member of ENQA in 2023. Dr Van Harten represented ADEE at the ENQA conference held in Dublin in October 2023. In addition, the ethos of the ENQA standards have now been embedded within the

ADEE LEADER programme. While membership of ENQA carries a financial cost, it remains relevant to ADEE and in particular the work of the LEADER programme and the Graduating European Dentist. Dr Van Harten and those involved in the leadership of LEADER will continue to monitor ENQA activities and advise on the relevance of ADEE's membership on ENQA and its implications.

4.2.3 EASPA

Observer membership' of the European Alliance of Subject-Specific and Professional Accreditation & Quality Assurance (EASPA) was renewed for 2023. The benefit of this membership will be reviewed in 2024.

4.2.4 EDSA

During 2023 EDSA made a strategic decision to return its headquarters to Dublin. The ADEE office provided support to the EDSA treasurer with regards ensuring EDSA is formally and legally set up. Introductions were provided to suitable accounting and legal expertise and guidance on the important of engaging with Dublin Dental University Hospital Leadership was encouraged.

5.0 Report on European Journal of Dental Education

Dr Ronald Gorter presented his annual report to the assembly and also chaired a face to face meeting of the editor board while at the Liverpool Meeting. It should be noted that the publisher reports on the activity to the end of December of the previous year thus the following refers to year end Dec 2022 activity. Key activity included:

- During 2022 the team of associate editors consisted of Prof Michael Botelho from Hong Kong, Prof Michele Giuliani from Rome, Italy, Prof Barry Quinn from London, UK, Prof Kamran Ali from Plymouth, UK, Dr Jane Wardman from Leeds, UK, Prof Cristina Manzanares from Barcelona, Spain, and dr Argyro Kavadella from Athens, Greece. This team of experts covers a wide range of branches within dental education, and their contribution is very much appreciated. Without the ongoing efforts of the associate editors there would be no such thing as the European Journal of Dental Education.
- The Impact Factor has remained stable at 2.4 this year, after a sharp raise during last few years coming from 1.0. This sharp raise was influenced by a renewed method of calculation, which goes for all journals, and it is satisfactory to see that this raise has shown to be steady. This Impact Factor shows that the journal is worldwide leading when it comes to dental and oral health education.
- Currently, the journal ranks # 54 among a total of 91 within the field of Dentistry, Oral Surgery & Medicine.
- The overall acceptance rate in 2022 was 25.7%, which is somewhat higher than in previous years. The total number of submissions had increased by 105% over 2020, with 809 submissions, and has decreased slightly, with 679 submissions, over 2021. In 2022, the number of submissions had also decreased somewhat to 496. This is still considerably more than was ever the case before 2020, and it is very likely that the Covid working from home situation has strongly influenced this. The decrease in total number of submissions over 2022 was therefore expected and is in line with trends among other scientific journals. The number of published articles in 2022, however, was one of the highest over the last five years, which shows that our readers are served with rich content on aspects of dental education.
- We have seen that the high submission number has played a role in the time it took for papers from submission to final decision. What also plays a role is the fact that it appears to become more and more difficult to find expert reviewers willing to provide useful comments. This is a worrying situation, since the search for good referees is very time consuming and it can be highly disappointing for the individual author having to wait for a decision longer than expected.
- The journal would not exist without the experts in the field who are so kind to spend time on peer reviewing. These reviewers are the core of our journal. ADEE thanks all of you who participated in reviewing processes. The members of the full editorial board in particular!
- The year 2022 marked the 25th year of our journal. That is a remarkable achievement, and it is very appropriate to thank ADEE, and in particular

Prof John Scott, the first Editor in Chief, for their wonderful initiative. Who could foresee 25 years ago that our journal would flourish as it does today! We are now working up to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ADEE in 2025, and will prepare a special issue of the journal for this occasion.

7.0 Advancing ADEE's Charitable Purpose

ADEE is founded with a core charitable purpose of the advancement of dental education through the promotion of excellent and the fostering of convergence through collaboration.

7.1 ADEE scholarship

2023 saw a continuation of the partnership with HALEON, namely the Preventative Dentistry in Society Award. The aim of the award is to acknowledge and encourage ADEE members (Dental Institutions, Universities and Associations) to document and share aspects of their curriculum that demonstrate excellence in how they:

- incorporate public dental health elements within their curriculum
- encourage students to appreciate aspects such as local and regional health needs, their variations and implications of health economics
- encourage a whole health approach within their curriculum including but not limited to encouraging inter professional care
- include local population needs within their curriculum and encourage students to take a holistic approach to defining and delivering patient care
- ensure health promotion (oral and whole health) is not only encouraged but facilitated through the curriculum and how such activities within the curriculum is impacting on local populations
- encourage an ethos of equity of access within their students practice
- integrate wider oral and public health issues within their curriculum

Following evaluation of 2023 applications, two awards of €2,500 each were made to:

- Peninsula Dental School, University of Plymouth, UK
- Universidad Científica Del Sur, Peru

7.2 Graduating European Dentist Open Access

During 2023 the open access website for the Graduating European Dentist underwent considerable updating. The aim is to make the content more freely available to the public and to encourage membership to available of this information freely. In addition, ADEE was pleased that in the last quarter of 2023 that FEDCAR the Federation of European Dental Competent Authorities and Regulators, recommended to its membership that national authorities draw on the ADEE Graduating European Dentist Curriculum within national guidance. This is the culmination of many years discussion between ADEE and FEDCAR and increasing collaboration in recent years.

Finally concerning the GED, Domain V Research was issued for public consultation in December 2023. This domain when finalised in 2024 will facilitate the active encouragement of undergraduate dental students in relevant research practice in a safe and competent manner.

7.3 The 2023 Oral Health Professional Educators 'Practice Green®' Awards

At the Association of Dental Education in Europe's (ADEE) annual meeting on 25 August 2023, in Liverpool, ADEE, together with the European Dental Students' Association (EDSA) and Henry Schein, announced the winners of the Oral Health Professional Educators' 'Practice Green®' Awards, aimed at embedding an ethos of sustainability within the education lifecycle for oral health professionals and within their educational and clinical practice settings.

The Oral Health Professional Educators' 'Practice Green®' award was named after Henry Schein's recently launched global programme, Practice Green, designed to empower the health care community to positively impact the future of the planet by reducing the ecological footprint and promoting sustainability.

Four awards were presented as follows:

1. **Faculty Campus Initiative: The University of Liverpool**, United Kingdom, received an award for its campus wide initiatives which draw together core components of sustainability into everyday campus life for staff and students. The University submission clearly demonstrated it is actively taking steps to look at its impact on climate change and wider sustainable development. Since January 2020, the University has signed an accord committing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), has developed a Sustainability Strategy, and launched a new Climate Plan setting in motion an aim to achieve net zero by 2035. With key activities encouraging reuse, repair, and circular economies, waste reduction, decarbonisation of its fuel and energy systems, sustainable travel solutions, and a wide array of educational offers for staff and students on sustainability, they are well on their journey to practice green.
2. **Faculty Curriculum Initiative: The University of Malmö** Faculty of Dentistry, Sweden, received an award for their commitment to integrating the concept of sustainability and sustainable practices within their undergraduate dental programmes to instil within students what these concepts mean and how they can practically apply such an ethos within their practice from graduation. The curriculum's focus on prevention, use of technologies, and green products, and the encouragement of students to be agents for change was clearly demonstrated in the submission. Graduating informed students that will practice green is a clear aim of the faculty.
3. **Faculty Procurement and Product Use Initiative: The Dundee School of Dentistry**, United Kingdom, received the third award for demonstrating how local knowledge of systems and product usage combined with creativity and imagination can lead to meaningful changes in product usage, waste reduction and an embracing of a reuse, recycle philosophy that has an impact from a sustainable and financial perspective.
4. **A special recognition for international collaboration towards sustainability:** The panel decided to honour one additional initiative with a special recognition award. Kings College London Faculty of Dentistry, Oral & Craniofacial Sciences, United Kingdom, and its eight partner universities within the Circle U University Alliance -

University of Vienna (Austria), UCLouvain (Belgium), Aarhus University (Denmark), Université Paris Cité (France), Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (Germany), Università di Pisa (Italy), University of Oslo (Norway), and University of Belgrade (Serbia) – were awarded for their international cooperation and knowledge sharing to address real change that has a sustainable impact. The collaborative project acknowledges that climate change is a global concern and as such they aim to reflect and act together on the consequences of climate change to have global impact level changes that lead to sustainable and green practices in both health care and education.

Figure 2 Photo showing the recipients of the 2023 Practice Green Awards



8.0 ADEE Strategic plan update

At its General Assembly in October 2022, the members of ADEE approved its 'Strategic Plan 2022 to 2025 DENTAL EDUCATION: NAVIGATING THE CROSSROADS'. This strategy identified six strategic priority areas with a total of 12 strategic actions to be delivered over the period in question. The six strategic areas were:

- I. ADEE fostering Inter Professional Education and Care
- II. ADEE's role as an enabler of the Sustainable Development Goals
- III. Fostering relationships with other related dental team member associations and with post Graduate Oral Health Professional Education Associations
- IV. ADEE representation at the EU institutions and at sub-regional level
- V. ADEE embedding Evidence Based Education
- VI. Quality Assurance of Oral Health Professional's academic programmes

During 2023, the following actions have been commenced or advanced by the ADEE executive and relevant taskforces responsible for the action:

Strategic Priority V: ADEE embedding Evidence Based Education

This priority area identified two actions to guide its delivery which have been commenced during 2023 with expected completion during 2024.

- a) Strategic scoping of the need for evidence based education resources for oral health professionals
- b) Devising an 'implementing evidence based academic guidance development process' within ADEE that will be responsible for the development of ADEE evidence-based education resources

Work on the strategic scoping commenced in early 2023 with a taskforce led by Prof Upen Patel and Prof Ina Schuller. This involved a call for participation to membership, hosting of two online sessions with interested members and the delivery of an in person consultative forum at ADEE Liverpool. The output from this is now being collated and will evolve into a more detailed action plan for the delivery of an evidence based academic guidance development process as suggested in action (b) above. It is expected this work will finalise during 2024.

Strategic Priority VI: Quality Assurance of Oral Health Professional's academic programmes

Again, this area identified two actions to guide its delivery which have been commenced during 2023 with expected completion during 2024.

- a) Encouraging awareness of the ENQA Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG), and how this overall approach applies to OHP educational activities
- b) Consider the provision of a training programme on the ESG and generic approaches to quality assurance within the OHP programmes and making same available to members

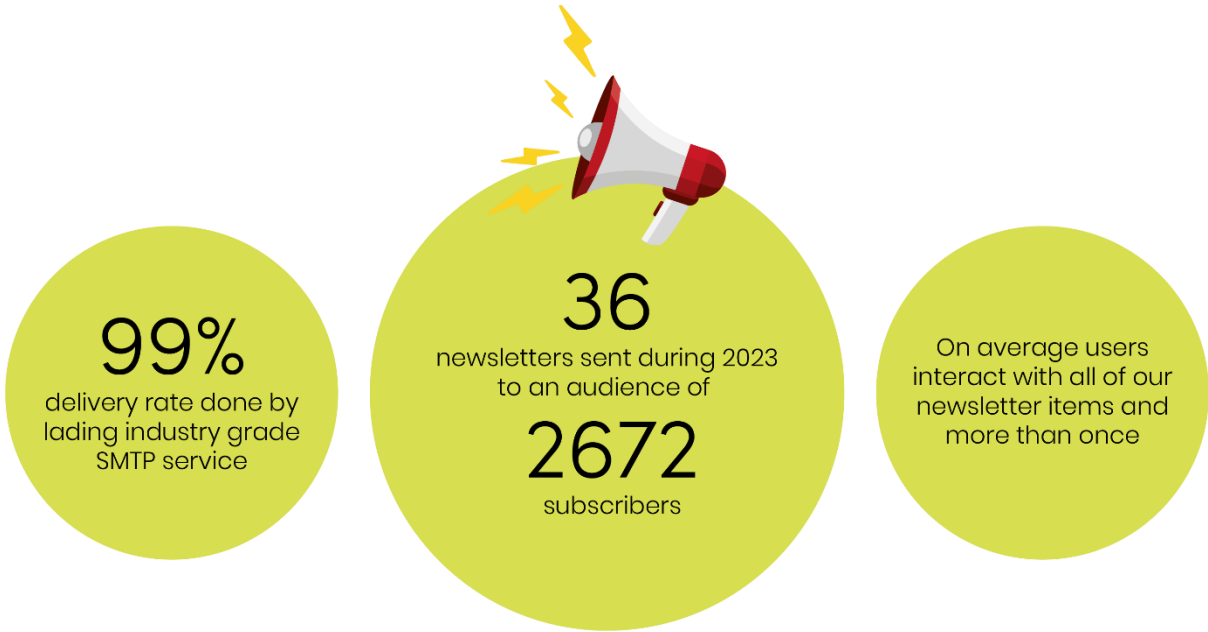
With the appointment of an ADEE Quality Assurance and Research Projects Officer during 2023 and the updating of the LEADER programme commenced during 2022 the first of these actions has been commenced and is advancing. The ENQA Standards ethos have been fully integrated into the LEADER approach and guidance and ADEE members are encouraged to have awareness and recognition of these in their approach to quality. Dr Van Harten will continue to work with the LEADER core group to update the LEADER webpages and ensure links and references to ENQA guidance are included here also.

Plans are under way for the inclusion of a regular LEADER training session at ADEE annual meetings commencing in Leuven 2024. This will feature discussion and insight on the ENQA guidance and approach as well as offering delegates the opportunity to become an ADEE LEADER peer reviewer. In addition, the revised LEADER approach now facilitates focused collaboration with member schools which over time a portfolio of training and support sessions relevant to members in the area of quality assurance will be evolved. We expect the bulk of this strategic action to be completed by summer 2025.

9.0 Communications

9.1 ADEE E-news

During 2022 the ADEE E-news was issued each month and an additional announcements or update issued on 13 occasions plus reminders.



9.2 Social media

Click on the following links to access these social media ADEE accounts. Ensure you follow/like and subscribe to keep up to date.



10.0 Approval and Declaration:

This report on activity for the year 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023 was presented to the ADEE Executive Meeting and .

The content of the report was approved by the Executive Committee as being a true and fair account of the Association for Dental Education in Europe's operational activities for the period in question at its February 2024 meeting.

The Executive approves this report for noting by the General Assembly at its 2024 session, prior to being issued to the Irish Charities Regulatory Authority as part of the 2024 annual return which is to be completed by October 2023.

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