Celebrating the achievements of implant dentistry in the last 20 years, clinical specialists from Europe and around the globe are expected to gather this week at the Bella Center exhibition and congress venue in the Danish capital for the annual congress of the European Association for Osseointegration (EAO). To be held for the 20th time, the event will present the latest research and treatment concepts in the field of implant dentistry.

Following a successful event in Athens last year, the congress is expected to attract up to 3,000 scientists and clinicians involved in implant dentistry over the course of four days. Besides an extensive scientific programme covering topics like imaging and factors of implant loss, the event will see a record number of companies exhibiting established clinical solutions and a number of new products, including dental implants and sophisticated surgical equipment.

Market leader Nobel Biocare, for example, has announced that its new OsseoCare Pro drill motor, which can be operated entirely through Apple’s iPad tablet computer, will be on display. Italian
Copenhagen—A perfect location for EAO’s annual conference

A welcome message by Lord Mayor Frank Jensen

As lord mayor, I am delighted that the city of Copenhagen is hosting the 20th Anniversary Meeting of the European Association for Osseointegration (EAO) and wish you warmly welcome to Copenhagen!

Besides an unforgettable convention, I hope that you will have the opportunity to enjoy our city. Copenhagen is surrounded by the sea and has a host of cultural offerings, as well as a vibrant atmosphere in which you can meet our easy-going and open-minded citizens.

Copenhagen boasts a well-developed health care system. This, alongside innovative medical companies and a strong research tradition at our universities, has placed Copenhagen on the international map in this field, making the city the perfect location for EAO’s annual conference.

It is my hope that the EAO meeting in Copenhagen will boost awareness of, and contribute to development in the field of dental implantology and the concept of osseointegration. I also hope that you will take home many happy memories from our welcoming metropolis.

Yours faithfully,

Frank Jensen
Lord Mayor of Copenhagen

manufacturer mectron has announced the presentation of its multipiezoo pro device, which can be used for ultrasonic implant cleaning, among other things, in Copenhagen. New implants will be exhibited by MIS Implants, Megagen and BioHorizons.

Satellite symposia will be run alongside the main programme to offer participants the opportunity to learn more about products and clinical solutions from long-term users and clinical experts.

According to the EAO, its latest annual meeting will look back on various issues related to implant dentistry from the last 20 years. Acknowledging the progress being achieved in the field, a Saturday morning session titled “Future perspectives of implant dentistry” will look at the most important concepts and discuss future prospects of bioactive implant surfaces and the use of computer-guided implant planning, among other topics. For the first time, a session organised by members of the EAO’s Junior Committee will discuss new revolutionary ideas that could shape implant dentistry in the years to come.

Having originated from a clinical meeting by implant specialists in the late 1980s, the EAO is today an established authority and one of the most important scientific and clinical forums for implant dentistry in Europe. It is comprised of renowned clinicians and researchers from around the world. With more than one third of visitors coming from regions outside the continent, its annual congress has recently gained more relevance internationally.

For more news from this year’s EAO congress, please visit www.dentaltribune.com/eao2012 or scan the QR code on page 1.