Attending her second Greater New York Dental Meeting, Asmaa N. Yagob of Brooklyn, N.Y., was in the standing-room-only area on the outer edges of the live dentistry arena Sunday morning intently following “The predictable crown procedure (part 1): A live patient demonstration.”

“Last year I missed the live dentistry,” Yagob said. “So that’s the main reason I’ve come back again this year. I wanted to see this crown procedure.” Yagob practiced in Khartoum, Sudan, for five years before coming to the U.S. two years ago. She plans to become licensed here and hopes to enter a licensing program soon. "This
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ADl installs Dr. Gerhard K. Seeberger as president

During the GNYDM on Sunday, Dr. Gerhard K. Seeberger was installed as president of the Academy of Dentistry International. ADI represents more than 3,000 fellows in more than 85 countries.

Seeberger, a native of Germany, studied dental medicine at the University of Würzburg, Germany. From 2007-2012, he was assistant professor in periodontology at the University of Cagliari/Italy. In 2013, he became an associate professor at the University of Iasi, Romania.

Seeberger was president of the Associazione Italiana Odontoiatri and of the European Regional Organization (ER0) of the World Dental Federation (FDI). He was inducted as an ADI fellow in 2004, and from 2010-2016, he served as ADI vice president of international affairs. From 2014-2016, he served as ADI vice president of finance and administration. In 2016, he became ADI president elect.

In August 2017 at the World Dental Congress in Madrid, Spain, Seeberger was elected as the president-elect of the FDI. Seeberger’s presidency will focus on the following topics:

• **Volunteerism:** The quintessential exchange of knowledge, expertise and health-care delivery in areas with health inequalities.
• **Sugar:** The modification of healthy diets and the substitution of its ingredients in non-industrialized areas.
• **Clean water:** Essential for life, oral health and the practice of dentistry.
• **Geriatrics:** Oral health and function at high age; a guarantee for general health.

The academy’s affiliation with the United Nations as a non-governmental organization (NG0) is an effective public relations boast for these topics.