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Minutes of the ordinary EAO General Assembly held on
Friday, September 25th, 2026, in Lisbon at the Centro de Congressos de Lisboa CCL at 17:45

I. Composition of the General Assembly - Attendance

The following EAO Board members were present:

Gil Alcoforado, President
Irena Sailer, President Elect
Jose Manuel Navarro, Secretary General
Robert Haas, Treasurer
Helena Francisco, ordinary Board Member
Iva Milinkovic, ordinary Board Member
Frank Schwarz, ordinary Board Member
Giovanni Zucchelli, ordinary Board Member
Ronald E. Jung, Past President

Also, Balazs Feher, chair of the Junior Committee.

In total, **81** members were present or duly represented by proxy.
Sophie Maupoil and Pauline Rabec, EAO staff, were also present as observers and responsible for the minutes.
Marc Quirynen and Ferruccio Torsello, EAO members, volunteered as scrutineers during the election for a new Board member.

II. Agenda

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| <p>1. Introduction by the President and chairmanship of the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1. Verification of the regularity of the meeting1.2. Approval of the Minutes and of the decisions taken at the 2025 General Assembly1.3. President's report <p>2. Activity and Financial reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1. Report by the Secretary General<ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1.1. Governance2.1.2. Membership 20262.1.3. Election of 1 new Board member2.1.4. Recognition of previous board members2.1.5. New executive committee composition 2026-282.1.6. Recognition proposal for Rome 2029 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">2.2. Report by the Treasurer<ul style="list-style-type: none">2.2.1. Approval: annual accounts per June 30, 2026, Discharge Board of Directors and auditors2.2.2. Approval: proposed budget financial year 2026/2027 <p>3. Presentation of each committee's activity report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">3.1. Consensus Conference Committee: GCCG 2025 and 2028.3.2. Education Committee3.3. Congress Committee3.4. Sponsorship Committee3.5. Editorial Board Committee3.6. Academic Relationships & Membership Committee3.7. Communication Committee3.8. Junior Committee |
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4. EAO Cares: Mundo A Sorrir

6. Welcome to the new member

5. Any other business

7. Closing remarks.

III. Discussion and deliberation

1. Introduction by the President and chairmanship of the meeting:

Gil Alcoforado, President of the EAO, was appointed Chair of the meeting. He opened the meeting at 17:45, welcoming all participants, EAO members, and thanking them for their participation in this exciting and successful Annual meeting in Lisbon.

1.1 Verification of the regularity of the meeting

The President observed and confirmed that 81 full members out of 1798 full members [inc. over 65 and Honorary members, all having full voting rights] (and 2928 members in all categories in total) were present or duly represented by proxy. As stated in the article 20.5 of the Association's Statutes "A General Meeting will be validly composed regardless of the number of members present or represented, except in cases where the law explicitly requires that a quorum and a specific majority of votes have to be respected". Therefore, since no decision discussed during the General Assembly requires a quorum, the President confirmed that the General Assembly is validly composed.

1.2 Confirmation of the decisions taken at the 2025 General Assembly

There were no comments on the minutes of the previous General Assembly, which were made available to all members in November 2025. Therefore, the decisions taken during the 2025 General Assembly are now approved.

1.3 President's address

The President then addressed the whole assembly:

Dear EAO Members, dear colleagues, dear friends,

Welcome to this General Assembly.

As many of you know, this is my last General Assembly as President of the EAO, and I would like to take a few moments to reflect on the journey we have shared over the past two years. Serving as President of this Association has been one of the greatest honors of my professional life. It has been a period of intense activity, ambitious goals, important decisions, and above all, collaboration with remarkable people who are deeply committed to the mission of the EAO.

Over these two years, we have continued to strengthen the scientific standing of our Association, expand educational opportunities, support our committees and working groups, develop new initiatives, and further reinforce the EAO's position as the leading reference in implant dentistry and related fields. We have continued to promote high-quality education, evidence-based clinical practice, and meaningful engagement with our members across Europe and beyond.

Of course, no presidency is without its challenges. The reality of leading a dynamic international organization is that progress is rarely a straight path. We have encountered obstacles, difficult decisions, differing perspectives, and moments that required resilience, patience, and compromise. Yet these challenges also reminded us of the strength of our community. They demonstrated that when people are united by common values and shared vision, solutions can always be found.

Among the most demanding moments were situations involving perceived conflicts of interest. These were sensitive matters, requiring discretion, fairness, and a firm commitment to the integrity of our Association. I am deeply grateful to those Board members who approached these discussions with understanding, generosity, and a true sense of collegial responsibility. Their conduct reminded me that difficult issues can be resolved when individuals place the interests of the Association above personal considerations and engage with one another in a spirit of respect and dignity.

Another particularly challenging undertaking was the series of complex negotiations required to broaden the scope of the GCCG, the Global Consensus for Clinical Guidelines, and open it to the participation of other organizations, foundations, and scientific associations. This demanded patience, persistence, diplomacy, and a willingness to reconcile different perspectives. Although

the process was at times extremely difficult, I remained convinced that an initiative of such scientific and clinical importance should be inclusive, collaborative, and able to benefit from the expertise of the wider professional community.

Looking back, I am proud not only of what we have achieved, but also of how we achieved it: through dialogue, mutual respect, professionalism, and a genuine commitment to serving our members and advancing our profession.

None of this would have been possible without the extraordinary support of the Board. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to every member of the Board for your dedication, your wisdom, and your generosity in giving your time and expertise to the Association. Your support has been invaluable throughout my presidency.

I would like to extend a very special thank you to my three Executive Board colleagues. Irena, Robert and José Manuel. You were never behind me. You were ALWAYS BESIDE ME!! Your advice, friendship, loyalty, and unwavering support have helped me navigate both the successes and the more challenging moments, and we had quite a few of these two years. Leadership is never an individual achievement, and I have been fortunate to work alongside such exceptional partners.

A particularly heartfelt acknowledgement goes to Philippe Brégaint, Director of the EAO Office. Philippe, we have worked extremely closely together throughout this journey. Your professionalism, strategic vision, calm judgment, and absolute commitment to the EAO have been indispensable. Thank you for your counsel, your friendship, and for the countless hours dedicated to ensuring that our Association continues to grow and thrive.

And finally, I wish to thank every member of the EAO Office: Sophie, Vincent, Samya, Marie-Charlotte, Pauline and Faissal. Much of the work that makes our organization successful happens behind the scenes. While members see the final result, they do not always see the immense effort, dedication, creativity, and perseverance required to make it happen. Time and again, you have transformed challenges into opportunities and have made what often seemed impossible become reality. Quite simply, you have performed miracles on many occasions, and the EAO is stronger because of your work.

As I approach the end of my presidency, I do so with immense pride, gratitude, and confidence in the future of our Association. The EAO has never been about any one individual. It is a collective endeavor built by generations of committed professionals, and I know that its future is in excellent hands.

Thank you for your trust, your friendship, and your support during these past two years.

Leadership is often associated with standing in front, but these past two years have reminded me that the best leadership comes from standing together. Thank you for standing beside me all the way, and I sincerely hope that this will continue for many years to come. It has been a privilege to serve you. Thank you.

The audience applauded.

The President then welcomed Jose Manuel Navarro, EAO General Secretary, and gave him the floor for the presentation of his report.

2. Activity and Financial reports

2.1 Report by the Secretary General

2.1.1 Governance – current structure

Jose Manuel Navarro quickly reminded attendees of the EAO governing bodies: The Board of Directors and its Executive committee, with the following main activities:

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current

Board of Directors

Gil Alcoforado
Irena Sailer
Jose Manuel Navarro
Robert Haas

Helena Francisco
Ronald Jung
Iva Milinkovic
Frank Schwarz (*"on hold"*)
Giovanni Zuchelli

Council

Luca Cordaro
Henning Schliephake
Alberto Sicilia
Bjorn Klinge

Congress

Education

Consensus Conference

Academic relationships & Membership

Editorial Board

Communication

Sponsorship

Junior Committee

JOSE MANUEL

Florian Beuer, DE
Daniele De Santos, IT
Jaime Jimenez, SP
Nadia Nanni, CH
Amit Patel, UK
Michael Payer, AT
Mario Romandini, CN

HELENA

Hadi Antoun, FR
Georg Mallath Jr., AT
Vivian Meier, NL
Eduardo Montero, SP
Sven Muhlebrand, CH
David Palombo, IT
Ignacio Sanz Sanchez, SP
Andy Temmerman, BE
Ferruccio Torsello, IT
Niele van Assche, BE
Stefan Wolfart, DE
Duygu Yaman, TU

FRANK

Nikolaos Donos, UK
Ulrike Kuchler, AT
Elena Figuero, SP
Alberto Monje, SP
Eck Schiegnitz, DE
Leonardo Trombelli, IT
Wim Teughels, BE
Hom Lay Wang, USA

GIOVANNI

Bilal Al Nawas, DE
Francesco D'Auto, UK
Jaime Gil, SP
Franc Lambert, BE
Brenda Mertens, FR
Arthur Novaes, Jr., BR
Andreas Stavrakopoulos SW
Mustafa Kemal Unsal, TU

IRENA

Jen Cosyn, BE
Hyeonjong Lee, S. Korea
Lisa Heitz Mayfield, AU
Ana Missios, PT
João Pitta, CH
Ausra Ramanauskaitė, DE
Merio Rocuzzo, IT
Daniel Thome, CH
Kathrin Becker, DE
Christel Lennson, SW
Magnus Jön Björnsson, IS
Guillem Esteve, SP
Lino Esteve, SP

IVA

Orlando Alvarez, Chile
Giulia Brunello, IT
Stefan Fickl, DE
Lukas Fürhauser, AT
Lucrezia Paterno-Holtzman, IT
Alberto Salgado, SP
Nicole Winitzky, SW
+ Ambassadors

ROBERT

Maria-Angeliki Alexopoulos, GR
Matteo Candaro, IT
Alfonso Gil, SP
Viraj Patel, UK
Jennifer Perussello, UK
Miha Piric, SI
Honorato Ribeiro-Vidal, PT
Raven Smirani, FR

Balazs Feher

Vincent Laudun
Marie-Charlotte Lamy
Sophie Maupoll
Samya & Philippe
Sophie Maupoll
Samya Boufar
Philippe Brégaire
Marie-Charlotte Lamy

2.1.2 Membership 2026

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2026 Membership key figures

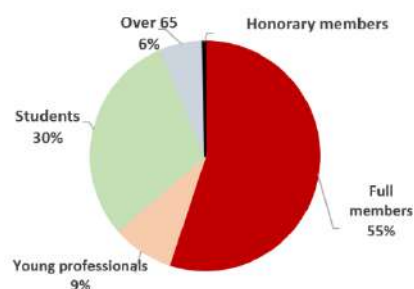


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Members in Sept 26

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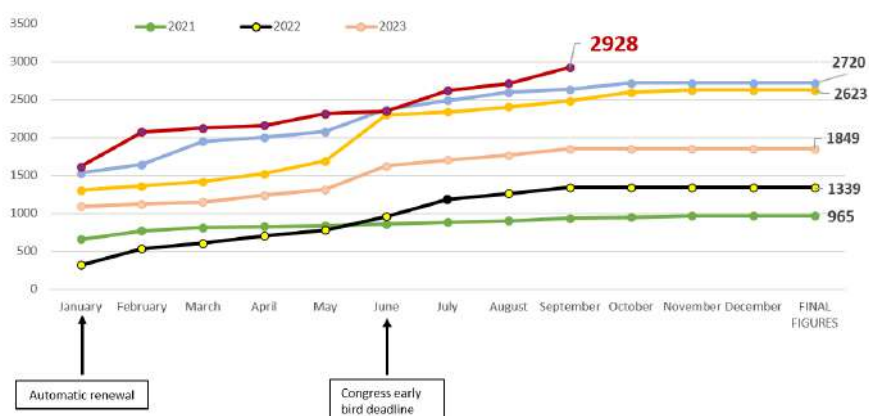
Members at the end of 2025



Objective 2026: 2800 members → 84% of the objective reached before the early bird deadline in June 30 + 8% over the objective

Evolution of membership from 2017-2026

Membership evolution 2021-2026

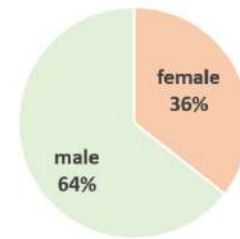
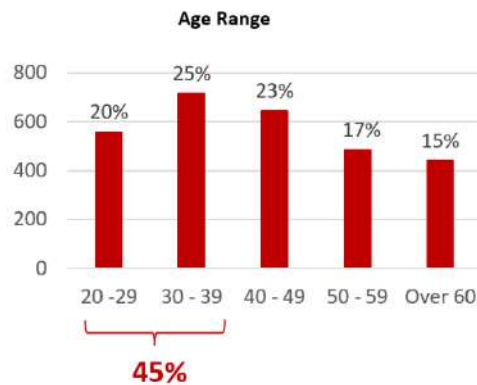


Membership evolution – categories and demographic

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Full members	1499	1147	824	798	1098	1487	1661	1614
Young professionals	179	40	33	128	144	251	225	254
Students	501	133	62	322	452	722	659	876
Over 65	85	66	41	86	117	155	166	175
Honorary members	5	5	5	5	6	8	9	9
Total	2269	1494	965	1339	1817	2623	2720	2928



As of Sept. 18



Jose Manuel Navarro underlined the growing share of the younger generations, which are the future of the association. He also noted the gender distribution, with a male majority now, but with the intent to evolve towards a better balance.

2.1.3 Election of one new Board member

Three candidates for one position in the EAO Board:



Zhouyu Ding (China)



Andy Temmerman (Belgium)

- supported by EAO Board



Stefano Trasarti (Italy)

Candidates' application packages were distributed to all members over the summer in preparation for this election.

He introduced the ballot to submit for the vote. While each audience member is filling out his/her ballot, the hostess goes around the room to collect all ballots. EAO Office staff members Pauline Rabec and Sophie Maupoil with volunteers Marc Quirynen and Ferruccio Torsello, as scrutineers, handled the election process and vote count during the rest of the meeting.

2.1.4 Recognition of previous board members and welcome to new president

Jose Manuel Navarro continued by introducing the Board members who were stepping down, joining the Council, or, in the case of our current President, passing the torch to the incoming President. All were warmly thanked and congratulated for their valuable contributions, dedication, and guidance to the EAO, and received a well-deserved round of applause.

- ❖ **Luca Cordaro** ended his term as council chair and therefore stepping down from the Board.
- ❖ **Ronald E Jung**, from past president to council chair
- ❖ **Gil Alcoforado**, from President to past president.

He then welcomed **the new president and first EAO female president, Irena Sailer**

Irena Sailer addressed the audience with emotion, thanking the EAO for the trust and confidence placed in her, and for the opportunity to remain on the Board and step into this new position. She expressed how honored and deeply touched she felt.

The EAO has always been a special organization for her, ever since her first connection with the organization through Prof. Hämmerle in Zürich. She recalled the special feeling she had always experienced at EAO congresses, where one could enjoy a fantastic scientific programme, a wonderful atmosphere and a great overall experience.

She shared how proud and happy she was to now take on this role and expressed her hope to serve as an example to all female colleagues, encouraging more women to get involved and to bring their emotional side as well. Indeed, she sees great value in a good balance between the male rational and the female emotional side. She promised to do her best to serve the EAO. She once again thanked everyone. Her words were met with applause from the audience.

Jose Manuel Navarro underlined the effort for gender equality started during Björn Klinge's presidency.

2.1.5 Proposed new Executive Committee (2026-2028) and welcome to new president

Jose Manuel Navarro introduced the proposed new Executive Committee, with a new member joining, Helena Francisco.



The General Assembly voted on the proposal: The majority of members present or duly represented **voted in favor for this new Executive Committee** with Helena Francisco joining as new member. No abstention and no vote against were recorded.

All congratulated the Executive member and Helena Francisco as new member.

2.1.6 Recognition proposal: Honorary Membership for Rome 2029

Jose Manuel Navarro pursued with the proposed award recipient for the EAO Honorary membership in 2029, Luca Cordaro, former EAO President. He acknowledged Luca Cordaro's invaluable guidance during challenging times, particularly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, and highlighted his unwavering commitment to acting in the best interests of the EAO.



The General Assembly voted on the proposal: The majority of members present or duly represented **voted in favor of Luca Cordaro for 2029 in Rome**. No abstention and no vote against were recorded.

All congratulated the Executive member and Helena Francisco as new member.

Robert Haas underlined Luca Cordaro

Therefore, Luca Cordaro will receive an official invitation to attend the respective Congress and be awarded the EAO Honorary membership there. All congratulated him

2.2 Report by the Treasurer

2.2.1 Approval annual accounts per 30 June 2026 and Discharge Board of Directors and auditors

Robert Haas, EAO Treasurer, then took the floor and began by highlighting how straightforward his role had been over the past two years, thanks to excellent financial management and the consistently positive financial results he was pleased to report.

He then detailed the following financial information to the General Assembly:

- Association accounts 2025/2026

He compared the budget presented at the General Assembly in Monaco in September 2025 with the final accounts:

	2025/2026 (Inc. Monaco Congress) Sept. 2026	2025/2026 (Inc. Monaco Congress) June 2026	2025/2026 (Inc. Monaco Congress) February 2026	2025/2026 (Inc. Monaco Congress) GA Sept. 2025
INCOME	4 944 553 €	4 940 000 €	4 880 000 €	4 830 000 €
Membership fees	479 413 €	455 000 €	425 000 €	400 000 €
Congress and events	3 641 363 €	3 645 000 €	3 655 000 €	3 630 000 €
Educational activities	823 778 €	840 000 €	800 000 €	800 000 €
Research - GCCG	0 €	0 €	0 €	0 €
OPERATION EXPENSES	4 627 406 €	4 670 000 €	4 685 000 €	4 765 000 €
Membership	9 639 €	15 000 €	20 000 €	20 000 €
Publications	75 229 €	80 000 €	85 000 €	85 000 €
Congress and Events	3 129 761 €	3 115 000 €	3 115 000 €	3 140 000 €
Communication	188 005 €	150 000 €	130 000 €	150 000 €
Education	740 524 €	740 000 €	705 000 €	665 000 €
Research - GCCG	-89 800 €	-60 000 €	-40 000 €	-20 000 €
Board & Committees	53 761 €	70 000 €	100 000 €	100 000 €
Services	57 211 €	60 000 €	70 000 €	70 000 €
EAO Office	440 000 €	470 000 €	470 000 €	480 000 €
Humanitarian grant	12 500 €	15 000 €	10 000 €	10 000 €
Unforeseen	10 016 €	15 000 €	20 000 €	25 000 €
OTHER EXPENSES	38 242 €	35 000 €	35 000 €	35 000 €
FINANCIAL RESULTS	52 075 €	55 000 €	60 000 €	60 000 €
TOTAL	330 980 €	290 000 €	220 000 €	90 000 €

Final profit 2025-26: 330.980€

A sharp profit increased from 90.000 € to 330.980€, mainly due to additional revenue:

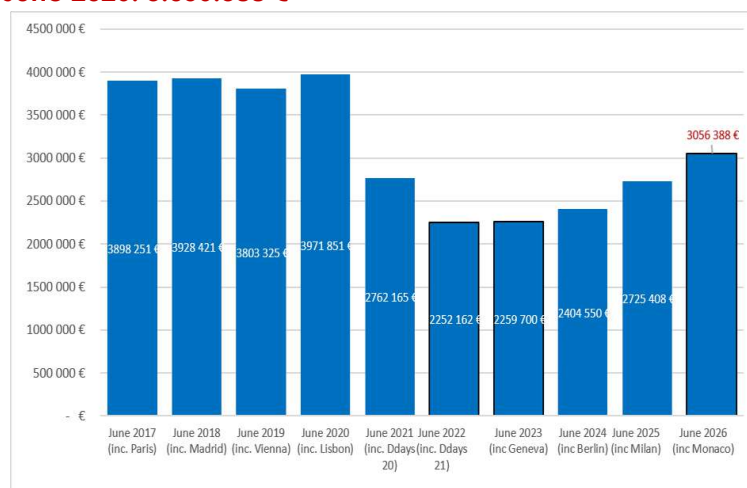
- ✓ + 80.000 € on membership fees
- ✓ + 24.000 € on Education activities

And lower expenses with the GCCG being postponed.

He also noted that the EAO Office is a notable but essential budget component, supporting the effective implementation of EAO's activities and the maintenance of its high standards of excellence.

- Equity and Balance sheet 2025/2026

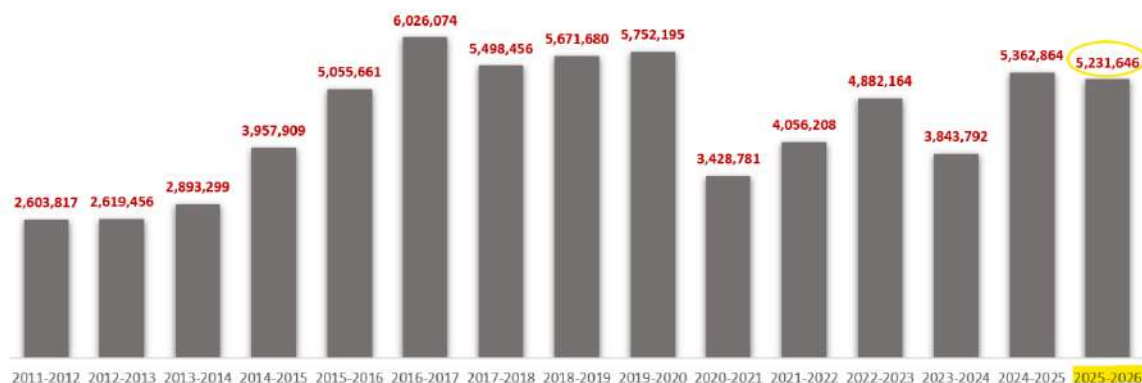
EAO Equity on 30th June 2026: 3.056.388 €



Robert Haas highlighted a strong increase after the major drop experienced during the covid years and showing a fast recovery in reestablishing a strong level of equity for the EAO. In June 2022, the Board decided to reach the objective of 3.000.000 € within 10 years. He was pleased to announce this has been achieved in only 4 years.

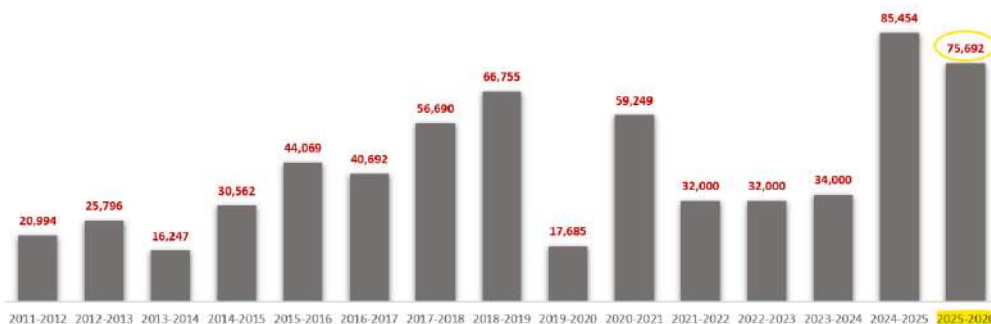
Assets	2024-2025	2025-2026	Equity and Liabilities	2024-2025	2025-2026
Amounts receivable 1 year	-94,294.58	282,174.02	Equity	2,725,408.35	3,056,388.24
Adjustment account: accrued income and deferred charges	1,159,539.44	1,418,016.05	Adjustment account: accrued charges and deferred income	2,817,015.38	3,168,225.53
Investments and cash at bank	5,404,411.88	5,275,664.75	Amounts payable 1 year	977,233.01	801,241.05
Participating interests (fixed asset)	50,000.00	50,000.00	TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,519,656.74	7,025,854.82
CURRENT ASSETS	6,519,656.74	7,025,854.82			

- Cash at bank on June 30th



The cash at the bank as of June 30th, 2026, end of our fiscal year, was **5,231,646 euros**. This amount includes the equity and the cash flow recorded in the budget, about half and half. This reflects a very financial situation for the EAO.

- Evolution of financial interests 2011/2026



Robert Haas also reminded the financial management decision taken these past two years, which led to a significant gain in terms of revenue from interest at the bank, **75,692 euros** this year, especially when comparing with the amount before 2024. Indeed, Philippe Brégaint at the EAO Office was able to negotiate with the bank to deposit the cash flow in a safe but easily accessible and remunerated account.

Finally, Robert Haas presented excerpts from the certified accountant's letter confirming that the annual accounts for the financial year, which ended on June 30th, 2026, were audited and that *"the financial statements give a true and fair view of the association's assets and liabilities, its financial position and the results of its operations in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium."*

The General Assembly was asked to vote on the approval of:

- the annual accounts per 30 June 2026 showing a profit of 330 980 €
- the balance sheet and equity 2025-2026
- the discharge of the members of the Board of Directors and the Auditors for the financial year 2025-2026

There were no questions. All members present or duly represented voted in favor; no abstentions and no vote against were recorded. Therefore, the financial report and the annual accounts per 30 June 2026 were approved and the members of the Board of Directors and the auditors were officially discharged for the financial year 2025-2026.

2.2.2 Approval budget financial year 2026/2027

Robert Haas proceeded with the presentation of the 2026-2027 proposed budget for the approval of the General Assembly, as follows:

	2026/2027 (inc. Lisbon Congress) GA Sept. 2026	2025/2026 (Monaco)
INCOME	5 078 000 €	4 944 553 €
Membership fees	450 000 €	479 412 €
Congress and events	3 820 000 €	3 641 363 €
Educational activities	800 000 €	823 778 €
GCCG & OsseoAlliance	8 000 €	0 €
OPERATION EXPENSES	5 018 000 €	4 627 406 €
Membership	10 000 €	9 699 €
Publications	82 000 €	75 229 €
Congress and Events	3 360 000 €	3 129 761 €
Communication	200 000 €	188 005 €
Education	660 000 €	740 524 €
Research - GCCG	50 000 €	-89 300 €
Board & Committees	100 000 €	53 761 €
Services	56 000 €	57 211 €
EAO Office	460 000 €	440 000 €
Humanitarian grant	20 000 €	12 500 €
Unforeseen	20 000 €	10 016 €
OTHER EXPENSES	20 000 €	38 242 €
FINANCIAL RESULTS	50 000 €	52 075 €
TOTAL	90 000 €	330 980 €

Higher estimated total income of €5,078,000, primarily driven by the EAO Congress, which remains the main source of revenue, alongside increased income from EAO educational activities. This growth reflects the Board's strategic decision, following the challenging years of the COVID-19 pandemic, to diversify the organization's revenue streams.

The estimated operational expenses are 5,018,000€, with increased educational expenses linked to the growth of this activity. Also, the preparation of the next GCCG will incur some costs. Humanitarian grant now up to 20 000€, which was announced during the Annual Meeting.

Thus, the estimated net result for the year 2026-2027 based on the proposed budget, which is very conservative and cautious, would be **90,000€**. This will help again to raise the EAO's equity.

The General Assembly was asked to vote on the proposed budget for the financial year 2026-2027. All members present or duly represented voted in favor; no abstention and no vote against were recorded. Therefore, the budget for the financial year 2026-2027 was approved.

1. Presentation of each committee's activity report

Then, each Board member presented one's respective committee's activity and advisors.

3.1 Consensus Conference Committee (I Sailer)

Consensus Conference Committee

	Frank Schwarz (Germany) Chair		Nikolaos Dones (United Kingdom) Advisor		Elena Figuero (Spain) Advisor
	Ulrike Kuchler (Austria) Advisor		Alberto Manje (Spain) Advisor		Erik Schlegelitz (Germany) Advisor
	Wim Teughels (Belgium) Advisor		Leonardo Trombelli (Italy) Advisor		Hom-Lay Wang (USA) Advisor

Irena Sailer gave a brief update on the Consensus Conference committee, which will definitely evolve with the focus now on the Global Consensus for Clinical Guidelines (GCCG), organized by the EAO, together with the other two founding partners, ITI and the Osteology Foundation. She reminded of course how the former

chair of this committee, Frank Schwarz has been crucial in creating and developing this GCCG initiative, which is now growing from its first experience.

We are now at the dissemination of the scientific outcomes of the first GCCG held in Boston in June 2025, via our partner journals:

1. **Wiley's COIR** (Clinical Oral Implant Research) GCCG supplement, already available online open access since February 2026, featuring all the reports and an overarching article summarizing the whole content.

2. **Quintessence's IJP GCCG supplement** is currently in the final layout and production stages. It aims to translate the GCCG's scientific recommendations into practical clinical applications through illustrative cases contributed by invited authors, covering different stages of the recommended clinical workflows.

Considerable effort has been made to prepare the supplement for its announcement at the EAO Congress in Lisbon. During the Congress, Irena Sailer highlighted the QR code on attendees' registration badges, providing direct access to the GCCG website and its resources, including publications.

GCCG 2025 dissemination - Publications

❖ **WILEY/ COIR special Issue out since February 24th**

- 916: Full Issue views
- 7273 views for following article:

First Global Consensus for Clinical Guidelines: Structured Recommendations (S2k-Level Guideline Framework) for the Rehabilitation of the Edentulous Maxilla Based on Core Outcome Sets

❖ **QUINTESSENCE IJP Special Issue in preparation**

- 4 of 11 articles targeted
- Open access once published

Implantologie Special Issue in press 03/26

- Full supplement for DACH Region: 7 articles
- Supplement webpage will list all 7 articles

Dissemination via Quintessence's publications worldwide will pursue to maximize accessibility and the global clinical impact of the GCCG's work.

3. **Quintessence's German publication: Implantologie special issue**, initiated by Frank Schwarz targeting German, Austrian, Swiss German practitioners

She then presented the **new Clinical guidance tool, a web-based clinical decision-support app developed by Quintessence**, based on the GCCG 2025 consensus outputs. It allows clinicians to input patient parameters and receive immediate evidence-based treatment recommendations linked to original publications. A patient-language version is also available that clinicians can then share with their patients. It will be updated with each new GCCG.

Clinical Guidance Tool for the Edentulous Maxilla

- Interactive Educational resource developed for clinicians' daily use
- GCCG ecosystem integration
- Clinical content, i.e. **a patient driven Clinical Guidance workflow**, based on GCCG consensus but not replacing individual clinical judgement
- Public BETA version launched at EAO Congress in Lisbon:
 - via QR code on EAO Congress badge **directing to GCCG website**

She did encourage audience members to try the webapp beta version available here:

<https://tool.gccg.online/>

GCCG 2028:

She then moved on to discuss the planning of the next GCCG edition. She acknowledged the considerable efforts made by the Executive Directors of the three founding partners, EAO, ITI, and the Osteology Foundation, in developing a charter to ensure transparent and inclusive governance of the initiative moving forward. She explained that the Board serves as the main governing body and comprises 12 organizations, including the three founding partners and nine additional organizations elected to join.

The Executive Committee is elected by the Board and consists of six organizations: the three founding partners and three additional members elected for this edition—the Chinese Stomatological Association (CSA), the Japanese Society of Oral Implantology (JSOI), and the Korean Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Implantology (KAOMI).

- Topic: **The anterior maxilla** (voted in during the 1st GCCG)
- Location: **Lisbon, Portugal**
- **Date: June 2028**
- Ambition: to develop **a multidisciplinary, evidence-based clinical framework** for decision-making in the anterior maxilla.
- **Global Collaboration:** 80 experts from diverse countries
- 12 international organizations onboarded



This unique global project brings together two leading publishers, Wiley and Quintessence, joining forces to disseminate knowledge worldwide, reaching clinicians, dental practices, clinics, and universities with the ultimate goal of improving patient care.

3.2 Education Committee (H. Francisco)

Helena Francisco presented her great team, working hard to get the EAO education projects to the next level.



She announced Henny Meijer's retirement from the committee where he was leading the Certification exam. Nele Van Asche will take over this role.

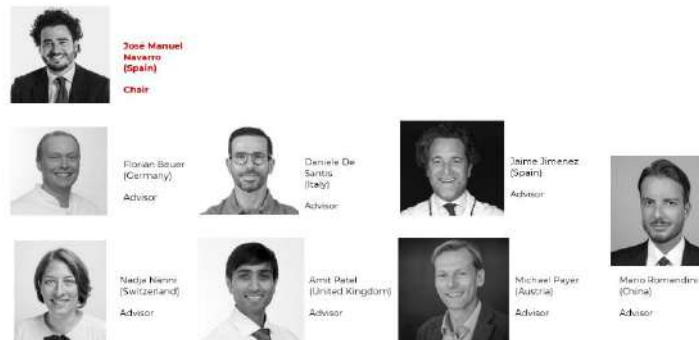
She reiterated the committee's aim to expand educational opportunities for EAO members and the wider dental community beyond the Congress, reaffirming the association's commitment to education at all levels. She then reviewed the programmes:

- **Expert Clinician Course**
 - 2026: Cadaver course, Complex and advanced implant dentistry
November 20-21, 2026, Lisbon, Portugal
 - 2027: "Digital Precision, Predictable Results" - *Fixed Implant Prosthodontics — From Immediacy to Long-Term Success*, November 19-20, 2027, Geneva, Switzerland
- **EAO Focused Training**
 - This year, the fully booked course on soft tissue augmentation.
 - NEXT: Implant complications, April 16-18, 2026, Lisbon
- **EAO First & Second Certificates, 2 fully online programmes – 6 months, 6 modules:**
 - First Certificate – From January to July 2027
 - Second Certificate – From June to December 2027
- **EAO Master Diploma: over 3 years, visiting 6 universities.**
 - Series 6 and 8 ongoing.
 - NEXT: New series 9 starting in March 2027
- **EAO Certification Exam in Implant Based Therapy:**
 - NEXT: Applications open in February 2027 for exam presentation at Congress Madrid 2027

3.3 Congress Committee (J.M. Navarro)

After presenting and thanking all the committee advisors for their support, Jose Manuel Navarro underlined the successful EAO Congress in Lisbon with 3217 registered delegates. He then went over the upcoming congresses:

Congress Committee



Lisbon – 24-26 Sept. 2026

3217 registered delegates
 Congress Chairs: Helena Francisco (Portugal) & Sérgio Kahn (Brazil)
 Invited Associations: SOPIO (Portugal), SOBRAPI (Brazil) & KAOMI (Korea)

Madrid - 23-25 Sept. 2027

Congress Chairs: Jose-Manuel Navarro & Jaime Jiménez (Spain)
 Joint meeting with SEPES (Spain)
 Invited Association: FIEFO (Federation of Deans in different universities in South America)

Amsterdam - 19-21 Oct. 2028

Congress Chairs: Iva Milinkovic (Serbia)
 Co-chairs: Ali Tahmaseb (Netherlands) & Stefan Fickl (Germany)

Rome – 4-6 Oct. 2029

Congress Chair: Giovanni Zucchelli (Italy)
 Co-chairs from Italian Associations (TBC) for a Joint meeting.

Vienna – 3-5 Oct. 2030

Congress Chair: Robert Haas (Austria)
 Co-chair (TBC)

Destination 2031

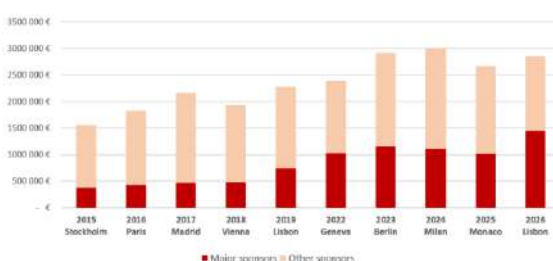
Bid in progress

3.4 Sponsorship Committee (R. Haas)

Robert Haas was pleased to update the members on the positive relationships that EAO maintains with its sponsors and the continued upward trend in sponsorship revenue. Sponsorship income represents a major source of revenue for the Association, reaching a total of **€2,850,000 in 2026**, with an almost equal split between major sponsors and other sponsors. He also highlighted a **7% increase compared with the previous year**.

Sponsorship income evolution 2015-2026

	2015 Stockholm	2016 Paris	2017 Madrid	2018 Vienna	2019 Lisbon	2022 Geneva	2023 Berlin	2024 Milan	2025 Monaco	2026 Lisbon
Major sponsors	375 000 €	436 000 €	470 000 €	477 000 €	740 000 €	1 023 000 €	1 160 000 €	1 113 000 €	1 020 000 €	1 447 000 €
Other sponsors	1 176 000 €	1 390 000 €	1 697 000 €	1 460 000 €	1 540 000 €	1 367 000 €	1 747 000 €	1 882 000 €	1 643 000 €	1 403 000 €
Total income	1 551 000 €	1 826 000 €	2 167 000 €	1 937 000 €	2 280 000 €	2 390 000 €	2 907 000 €	2 995 000 €	2 663 000 €	2 850 000 €
Evolution	-	18%	19%	-11%	18%	5%	22%	3%	-11%	7%



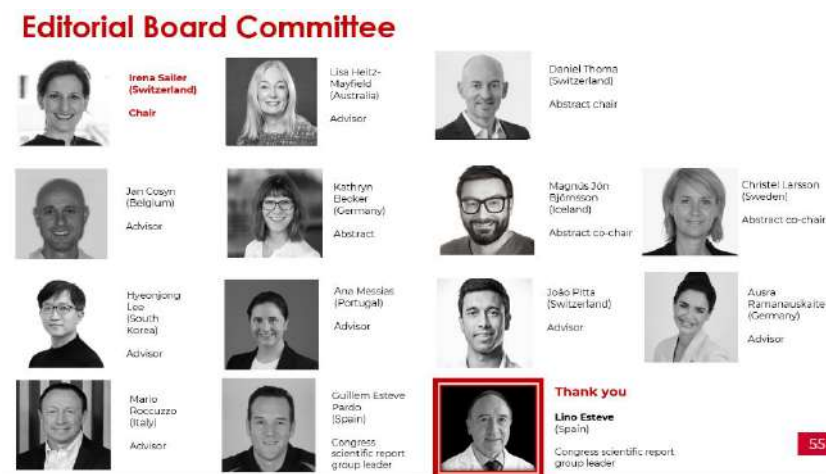
• Total Lisbon 2026: **2.850.000 €**

• 15 major sponsors in 2026 vs 11 in 2025

Over the past 11 years, sponsorship revenue has grown significantly, from approximately €1.5 million in 2015 to €2.85 million in 2026, despite the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This growth was primarily driven by major sponsors, many of whom increased their financial commitments, partly to access higher sponsorship tiers and their associated benefits. Contributions from smaller sponsors remained relatively stable.

3.5 Editorial Board Committee (I. Sailer)

Irena Sailer first announced the new leadership with Daniel Thoma taking her position as chair, as of now.



She went over the members of the committee, starting with Lisa Heitz-Mayfield as Editor-in-Chief of COIR. She informed of Lino Esteve's retirement from the committee as leader of the enthusiastic Spanish group in charge of reporting on all Congress sessions under the Congress Scientific report (CSR) published on EAO website. His son, Guillermo Esteve Pardo will take over this initiative started under Alberto Sicilia's presidency. Lino Esteve will be recognized for his fantastic contribution during the

Congress award ceremony the following day. A team from Frankfurt University led by Ausra Ramanauskaite was also appointed to translate this report into a scientific digest version for the COIR.

The Committee acts as the voice of the EAO, giving the best visibility to the EAO through the two journals IJP and COIR. It regularly provides content on all the association's activities (Education, Junior committee's summer camp etc.), cross-linking with the EAO's other committees. Then she went down the list below, of all the different content provided:

EAO Official Scientific Journals	Congress Scientific Reports	Abstracts
The International Journal of Prosthodontics (IJP) Chief Editor: Prof. Irena Sailer Clinical Oral Implants Research (COIR) Chief Editor: Prof. Lisa Heitz-Mayfield ✓ Editor's Pick ✓ EAO News articles ✓ Online Library ✓ EAO Digest ✓ GCCG special issues	Full Scientific reports version ➤ Pdf file published on EAO Website Digest article on Congress Scientific program, ➤ published in COIR 	• Selection for Oral Communication, e-poster • Awards ceremony • Selected abstracts published in COIR 



She highlighted the **EAO Digest**, an initiative led by Ana Messias, with the support of Hyeonjong Lee and João Pitta. The initiative aims to summarize and organize information from the two journals into relevant categories (prosthodontics, biology, and periodontology), presenting the key findings in a clear, accessible, and clinically relevant format.

The management of abstracts submitted for each congress is overseen by a lead team that coordinates a large group of reviewers. These reviewers evaluate the submissions and determine whether they should be accepted as oral presentations, e-posters, or rejected. The committee continuously works to refine and improve these processes, ensuring an efficient and rigorous review and selection procedure.

3.6 Academic Relationships & Membership Committee (G. Zucchelli)

Giovanni Zucchelli then took the floor, beginning by announcing the committee's new name: the **Academic and International Relationships Committee**. He explained that the committee's main objective is to increase IEAO's visibility and strengthen its presence beyond Europe. He reported on productive meetings with the EAO Ambassadors, who are now part of this committee, having previously been affiliated with the Communication Committee. The aim is to organize educational activities, such as Focused Training sessions, outside Europe,

particularly in some of the ambassadors' respective countries. He acknowledged their contributions over the past year, highlighting the remarkable efforts of the Japanese Ambassador, Takanori Suzuki, while also recognizing the challenges faced by ambassadors depending on the circumstances in their respective countries.

Academic Relationships & Membership Committee



Another key focus is **strengthening collaboration with universities** and increasing EAO's visibility within these institutions to continue attracting younger professionals, whether as EAO members, congress delegates, or participants in educational activities.

To support this objective, a valuable first step has been taken by compiling a list of directors of master's and postgraduate programmes in implant dentistry and oral surgery across Europe. This initiative aims to facilitate direct contact with programme directors, promote EAO membership and educational opportunities among their students, and explore potential collaborations with their institutions. Even if challenging, building long-term academic partnerships and expanding the EAO's reach within the educational community, would help develop a more structured and proactive approach to engaging the next generation of implant dentistry professionals.

3.7 Communication Committee (I. Milinkovic)

Iva Milinkovic was pleased to present her committee, a group of enthusiastic and motivated members, who work in close collaboration with all the other committees.

Communication Committee



She then gave a quick update on the committee's activity and news:

- **A New Agency**, will work on visual identity, improve the CRM, data management, introduce new tools.
- **"Just Ask"**, flagship monthly program on EAO YouTube channel, with Stefan Fickl as host, continues its great journey.
- **EAO Podcast "Clinical matters"**, focusing on scientific topics but providing practical tips and insights, with Nicole Winitsky and Lukas Fürhauser as hosts, in its second year.
- **Congress Online**, free access for a month right after the Congress itself to some recorded sessions.
- **EAO TV Studio** set during the Congress, producing more promotional videos and additional content such as ((Is it true?, Tell me more)) for use throughout the year:

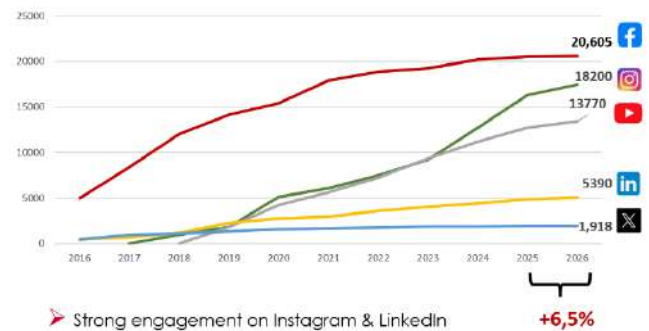
As chair of the Communication committee, Iva Milinkovic also was pleased to congratulate EAO first female president Irena Sailer, and Helena Francisco joining the Executive committee.

She then presented the different statistics on the EAO Channel and EAO Social Media channels:

EAO YouTube Channel – key figures



Community evolution



3.8 Junior Committee (B. Feher)

Balazs Feher acknowledged the Junior Committee's long history fully in line with what the Board members have said about international outreach, membership and collaborations.

Mission *(newly reformulated)*

- Identify, propose, and develop initiatives that increase the active participation of young researchers, clinicians, and emerging leaders in the Association and in its projects, while reinforcing the EAO's role as the reference community for the next generation in implantology.

Vision

- To be the leading European platform for the next generation in implantology, inspiring young professionals to shape the future of the field and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of the EAO.



Collaborations with national organizations in Europe and around the world, EAO being a European organization with a global vision, aim at giving young researchers, clinicians and educators in the field the opportunity to become more visible, to enhance their career and experiences.

He then presented the current initiatives run by the committee:

- « My First Implant », theory and hands-on workshop, a successful staple session during the Congress.
- Clinical Video competition
- **NEW!** Clinical Team Championship, recognizing the collaborative effort of multiple clinicians behind the presentation of a case
- "Treasure hunt," led in collaboration with the sponsors.
- Summer camp 2027.
- Increasing effort to promote collaboration with other Societies, primarily at the national level and with their junior group.

4. EAO Cares: Mundo A Sorrir

Gil Alcoforado mentioned the cheque presentation to Mundo A Sorrir, which had taken place on stage earlier that day, just before Plenary 2. This year's total donation amounted to **€15,000**, including delegates' contributions and EAO's matching contribution.

He then informed of EAO Cares program's expansion inspired by the EAO's collaboration with Mundo A Sorrir. This means:

- Annual financial donation **up to 20.000 €**
- Call for Applications open for any organizations interested.

As a volunteer with Mundo A Sorrir himself, he reported on the organization's essential work on the ground to address critical oral health challenges in underserved communities in Guinea-Bissau and São Tomé and Príncipe, including opening clinics, training healthcare professionals, and supplying materials. He also shared the positive feedback he has received from EAO members regarding Mundo A Sorrir and EAO Cares, which supports the expansion of the programme.



EAO Cares: oral health is a universal right

EAO is proud to support Mundo A Sorrir in this mission:

- Training local dentists
- Building clinics & oral health units
- Supplying essential dental materials



5. Any other business

Gil Alcoforado addressed the audience for any questions. No remarks from the audience.

6. Board member election result

The results are of the vote:

- 64 votes for Andy Temmerman
- 8 for Zhouyu Ding
- 5 votes for Stefano Trasarti

Welcome to the new Board member



Andy Temmerman
(Belgium)

supported by the EAO Board

7. Closing remarks

Gil Alcoforado, EAO President, concluded the meeting by thanking everyone and inviting all to enjoy the rest of the Congress and to come to Madrid in 2027.

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 18:45.

Prof. **Gil Alcoforado**, EAO President

Date: September 25th, 2026,

Signature: