



Cooperazione Odontoiatrica Internazionale
member of EDS - European Dental Solidarity

Solidarity – Health – Development – Peace

Cooperazione Odontoiatrica Internazionale (COI) is the only dental Non Governmental Organization (Ong) recognized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, according to the law 26.02.1987 n. 49 and an Onlus (not lucrative organization of social usefulness) according to the D. Lgs. 4.12.1997 n.460. It is member of both European Dental Solidarity, the European network of dental international solidarity network, and Piedmontese ONG Consortium.

COI was legally constituted in 1993. It has its center in Turin; it has been the first association of dental voluntary service in Italy to get involved in professionally organized, continuative programs in favour of the development of the oral health in low income Countries. It is leader in Italy and it represents the Italian dental voluntary service in Europe.

In 12 years of work, COI realized 29 projects of development and emergency intervention in 18 world Countries, involving more than 500 local operators and ensuring direct benefit to 500 thousand people.

What we want

A world without poverty in which the cultural diversity and the equality of the rights and the opportunities cohabit and in which the oral health can be a right for all and not a denied reality or an optional. In the world, COI contributes to the improvement of the conditions of life of people and communities by affordable cooperation intervention. In Italy we promote the understanding of the need for a general engagement to fight both the great difference between north and south of the world and the right for all to receive dental care by adopting activities of social sensibilization and social dental care.

Through a continuative personal, professional and cultural work and the collaboration with others ONG, associations and both private and public institutions, COI aims at removing the causes of social uneasiness which prevent millions of people in the world to get oral care.



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Association Mission

Promoting the oral health in the disadvantaged communities of the world.

COI in the world is

Planning and realization of the following programs:

PREVENTION and HEALTH EDUCATION

(Bolivia 1995-99, Brasil 1998-2001, Lebanon 2004-5)

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING for LOCAL OPERATORS

(Bolivia 1995-99, Bosnia 1997-2001, Palestine 1997, Tanzania 1994-98, India 1996-98, Albania 2000-01, Eritrea 2002, Lebanon 2004-06)

PREPARATION of DENTAL CARE ROOMS and donation of equipment and disposable material

(Croazia 1995-96, Bosnia 1996-99, India 1996-98, Tanzania 1994-95, Etiopia, Eritrea, Kenia 1993-95, 2001, Brasile 1998-99, Romania 1998, Cambogia 2001, Albania 2001, Kosovo 2001-2002, Serbia 2004-2006)

EMERGENCY

(Somalia 1993, Bosniac refugees 1994-96, Tibetan refugees in India 1996, Albania with Missione Arcobaleno 1999, Kosovo 2000, Eritrea 2001)

RESTORATION OF HEALTH AND PREVENTION SERVICES after emergency or war

(Croazia 1996, Bosnia 1997-98, Kosovo 2001-2002-2003)

SENDING VOLUNTEERS for dental care activity

(Etiopia, Eritrea, Kenia, Tanzania, Croatia, Bosnia, Albania, Kosovo, Brasil, India, Cambogia, Serbia and Bolivia)



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In Italy COI is

SOCIAL DENTAL CARE by:

Building the *Territorial observatory on oral health of disadvantaged communities,*

Taking part in the GIACO (Italian group for the dental care access) activities, whose COI is co-founder together with Caritas and the collaboration center of WHO in Milan,

Realizing projects and activities in favour of disadvantaged communities (in particular old people, handicapped, immigrants, poors).

EDUCATION IN DEVELOPMENT by sensibilizing the dental care community on topics about solidarity and international cooperation

Keeping up to date the public opinion and the international volunteers movement on the work of the dental care movement for PVS

TRAINING AND RESEARCH

In collaboration with the University of Turin, planning, realization and mantainment of the "European Center for Intercultural Training in Oral Health".

Realization of the 1st level University Master on: "Development of oral health in disadvantaged communities and in developing Countries".

web site: www.cooperazioneodontoiatrica.org

Participation in the Consortium of Piedmontese Non Governative Organization and collaboration with associations for the dental care of desadvantaged groups.



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Our Partners

World Health Organization (Oral Health Unit)

International Dental Federation

European Dental Solidarity

ANDI (Italian National Dentists Association)

UNIDI (Italian Dental Industries Association)

AIO (Italian Dentists Association)

University of Turin

College of Odonthoiatry Teachers

WHO Collaboration Center at University of Rome and Milan

Association "Amici di Brugg"

Ministry of Health, Italy

KFOR

UNMIK

Department of Civic Protection, Italy

Croatian Government Refugee Office

Ministry of Health , Cantone di Gorazde, Bosnia

Ministry of Health, Palestinian Authority

Ministry of Health, Bolivia

Ministry of Health, Albania

Secretary of Saude, State of Piauì, Brasil

Secretary of Saude, State of ACRE ,Brasil



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CUAMM, Doctors for Africa.

ICS (Italian Solidarity Consortium)

Movimondo

Caritas

A bridge for.....

NBMSC – Not bombs but candies...

COP- Piemontese ONG Consortium

Our Sustainers

COI associates and friends

**WHO - World Health Organization - Ginevra and Milan World Health Organization
Collaboration Center (gold sponsor 1996 and 1997)**

IADT- International Association Dental Trauma (gold sponsor 1998)

ANDI - Italian Dentists Nazional Association (gold sponsor 1999)

MINISTRY OF HEALTH (gold sponsor 2000)

UNMIK - Mission of United Nations in Kosovo (Gold Sponsor 2001 and 2002)

Lions Clubs International (gold sponsor 2003)

TAVOLA VALDESE (gold sponsor 2004, 2005)

FDI - Federation Dentaire Internationale (silver sponsor 1999)

UNIDI – Italian Dental Industries Union (silver sponsor 2000)

FONDAZIONE CASSA RISPARMIO di TORINO (silver sponsor 2002)



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EDS, DHIN Foundation , AIO, Scientific Association (Amici di Brugg, AIG,) And local sections, Factories (Oms/Staff, Heraeus, 3M, Novaxa, Astra, Krugg, Simit, etc.)

Italian LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(City of Parma, Serravalle Scrivia, Provincia di Roma, Regione Friuli-VG)

Programs which are being realized

ACRE -BRASIL: Pilot program for the development of community oral health in Placido de Castro

local partner: Secretary Saude Stato de ACRE, Ong MEL

INDIA: Promotion of the woman role in the "City of Joy" in Calcutta

partner: lo scrittore Dominique Lapierre.

ITALY: Activity of the European Center for Intercultural Training in Oral health (Ecitoh)

Partner: University of Turin

ITALY: 1st level University Master on: "Development of oral health in disadvantaged communities and in developing Countries"

ITALY: Activities of people sensibilization, epidemiologic studies and training of socio-sanitary staff organized in collaboration with GIACO and the ASL of some Italian regions. (ASL 8 Regione Piemonte, Friuli Venezia Giulia e Sardegna)

ITALY: Realization and management of a social health care room for disadvantaged communities in Rome

LEBANON: Program of prevention and local operators training in Palestinian refugee camps of Sabra and Chatila.

Partners: Palestinian National Authority and Tavola Valdese



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SERBIA: Program for dental care development in Kragujevac.

Partners: local authorities. Zastava syndicate.

ERITREA: suspended

Programs in course of definition

ITALY: Development education program in odonothoiatry

Partners: Consortium COI-AOI (Aide Odontologique Internazionale, France) – OS (Odontologia Solidaria, Spagna)

PALESTINE: Dental care development program in Gaza area

Partners: EDS and Palestinian National Authority.

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