



Dear Colleagues, Members and Friends,

It is with great enthusiasm that I invite you to the 35th National Congress and 4th International Congress of the Italian Academy of Endodontics (AIE), which will be held from **25 to 27 February 2027** at the Congress Centre of the Savoia Hotel Regency in **Bologna**, a venue that over the years has become the established home of our annual meeting.

The theme we have chosen for this edition, “**Sliding Doors: Therapeutic Choices for Success**”, draws inspiration from a simple yet highly relevant metaphor. In everyday clinical practice, every decision can represent a turning point: a diagnostic choice, a prognostic assessment, a technical procedure or a therapeutic strategy can steer the course of treatment towards different outcomes. Understanding the available options, when to adopt them and the evidence supporting them is more important than ever to ensure effective, predictable and patient-centred treatments.

To explore this theme in depth, we have developed a scientific programme of the highest level, involving some of the most authoritative international speakers in the world of endodontics. Drawing on their clinical and scientific experience, we will explore the key decision points in contemporary endodontics: from vital pulp therapy to the use of CBCT in clinical decision-making, from root canal disinfection to the management of immature teeth, as well as obturation techniques, endodontic microsurgery and post-endodontic restorative choices.

It will be a great privilege for us to welcome internationally renowned colleagues such as **Adham Azim, Federico Foschi, Prasanna Neelakantan, Shanon Patel, Paul Lambrechts, Guillaume Jouanny and Tuğba Türk**, together with highly experienced and widely respected Italian speakers: **Domenico Ricucci, Gianluca Plotino, Francesco Bellucci, Emanuele Bergantin and Fabio Piccotti**.

The Congress will be preceded by a **pre-congress course** led by **Adham Azim**, dedicated to a fascinating yet highly practical topic: “*The Hidden Side of Endodontics: Unveiling Errors, Revealing Solutions*”. A unique opportunity to openly discuss clinical errors, understand their causes, and identify effective strategies to prevent and managing them.

Following the great success of previous editions, “*Aperitif with the Speaker*” will also return in 2027: An informal and convivial opportunity for participants to meet the Congress Speakers in person, encouraging direct dialogue, the exchange of experience and the development of new professional collaborations.

The “*Social Lunch & Learn*” format is also confirmed, offering the opportunity to exchange clinical point of views in small groups with experts and opinion leaders in the field, turning the lunch break into an opportunity for learning, networking and professional growth.

Friday afternoon will also feature *Corporate Workshops*, they are now an integral part of the AIE Congress experience. Thanks to the collaboration of our partner companies, participants will be able to explore innovative technologies, materials and protocols and engage directly with the latest developments in the field.

The Congress’s traditional social event, the *Congress Dinner & AIE Night Party*, will be a special opportunity to come together and enjoy an evening of conviviality, strengthening the sense of community that has always distinguished the AIE experience.

Internationalisation is one of the strategic pillars of our Academy, and the 4th International Congress will be tangible expression of this commitment. The presence of speakers and participants from different countries will help create an open, dynamic and multicultural scientific environment, encouraging dialogue between different experiences, schools of thought and clinical approaches. The main sessions will be supported by simultaneous Italian-English and English-Italian translation to facilitate an effective, open and constructive cultural exchange.

As always, the AIE Congress will be not only an opportunity for scientific education, but also a time for sharing, friendship and growth, as we continue to foster the spirit of collegiality, passion and openness to dialogue that has always characterised the Italian Academy of Endodontics.

We look forward to welcoming you in large numbers to Bologna for three days of outstanding scientific content, international exchange and genuine participation in the life of our Academy.

Eugenio Pedullà -AIE President 2027-2028

Thursday, 25 February 2027

PRE-CONGRESS COURSE

The Hidden Side of Endodontics: Unveiling Errors, Revealing Solutions

Speaker: Adham Abdel Azim

Moderator: Nicola M. Grande

11.30-13.30 *Part One* **Access cavity, instrumentation and flare-ups**

13.30-14.30 Lunch break

14.30-16.30 *Part Two* **Obturation, retreatment, endodontic surgery**

16.30-17.00 **Round Table**
Questions from the audience

17.30-19.00 **APERITIVIF with the Speaker**
Sponsored Clinical Tables

Friday, 26 February 2027

4TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

Sliding Doors: Therapeutic choices for success

09.00-09.15 **Welcome Address**
Eugenio Pedullà *AIE President 2027-2028*

FIRST SESSION

Chair: Piero Alessandro Marcoli

09.15-09.30 **Introduction by the Chair**

09.30-10.15 **Vital pulp therapy: The sliding door between healing and root canal treatment**
Domenico Ricucci

10.15-11.00 **From guesswork to precision: The sliding doors paradigm of CBCT in endodontics**
Federico Foschi

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-11.45 **Presentation of AIE 2027 activities**

11.45-12.30	Shifting Gears: The Evolution of Reciprocating Motion in Root Canal Shaping Gianluca Plotino
12.30-13.15	Continuous rotation: A different path to the same destination Adham Abdel Azim
13.15-13.30	Round Table <i>Questions from the Audience</i>
13.30-14.30	Lunch break

13.30-14.30	SOCIAL Lunch & Learn
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SECOND SESSION

Chair: Alessandro Fava

14.30-14.45	Introduction by the Chair
14.45-15.30	The invisible phase: The sliding door in root canal disinfection Prasanna Neelakantan
15.30-16.15	One immature tooth, two futures Tuğba Türk
16.15-17.00	Beyond healing: The sliding door of restorability Shanon Patel
17.00-17.15	Round Table <i>Questions from the Audience</i>

17.30-19.00	CORPORATE WORKSHOPS from Theory to Practice
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from 21.00	CONGRESS DINNER & AIE NIGHT PARTY
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Saturday, 27 February 2027

THIRD SESSION

Chair: Raffaella Castagnola

09.15-09.30	Introduction <i>by the Chair</i>
09.30-10.15	Warm or hydraulic obturation? Francesco Bellucci
10.15-11.00	The hidden enemy: The anatomical, radiological and histological complexity of external cervical resorption Paul Lambrechts
11.00-11.30	Coffee break
11.30-11.45	AIE Awards Ceremony Nomination of New Active Members and Young Affiliates
11.45-12.30	When Endodontics becomes Microsurgery Guillaume Jouanny
12.30-13.15	Restoration of the endodontically treated tooth: Decision-making flowcharts and clinical protocols Emanuele Bergantin - Fabio Piccotti
13.15-13.30	Round Table <i>Questions from the Audience</i>
13.30	Congress Closing
14.30	AIE Active Members' General Meeting

SPEAKERS

Adham Abdel Azim San Francisco, CA, USA

Francesco Bellucci Avellino IT

Emanuele Bergantin Biella IT

Federico Foschi London UK

Guillaume Jouanny Paris F

Paul Lambrechts Leuven B

Prasanna Neelakantan Edmonton, AB, Canada

Shanon Patel London UK

Fabio Piccotti Florence IT

Gianluca Plotino Rome IT

Domenico Ricucci Cetraro IT

Tuğba Türk Izmir TR

CHAIRS

Raffaella Castagnola Rome I

Alessandro Fava Parma I

Nicola M. Grande Rome I

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VENUE

Savoia Hotel Regency Congress Centre
Via del Pilastro, 2 – BOLOGNA (I)
www.savoia.it

LANGUAGES

The official languages of the Congress are Italian and English. Simultaneous translation is provided free of charge from Italian into English (Friday and Saturday).

REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION

AIE Members (Dentists and Dental Students) **with a valid AIE membership for 2027** may attend the Congress (Friday and Saturday) free of charge.

Congress participants may attend the following sessions free of charge:

APERITIF with the Speaker (limited to 15 participants per session),

CORPORATE WORKSHOPS (limited to 15 participants per workshop).

PRE-CONGRESS COURSE.

Participation fees are as follows:

- ACTIVE MEMBER and YOUNG AFFILIATE	free of charge
- AIE MEMBER* (by 31.12.2026)	€30
- AIE MEMBER* (from 01.01.2027)	€60
- NON-AIE MEMBER	€90

Lunch is included.

SOCIAL Lunch & Learn: Leading endodontic groups active on social media will share their experiences. The first 15 applications for each initiative will be accepted. The participation fee is €30. However, some groups will offer free participation for up to 10 attendees, according to the arrangements established by each group.

**Membership of the Italian Academy of Endodontics for 2026 can be renewed or activated online from 30 September 2026 via www.accademiaitalianaendodonzia.it, in the "Become a Member" section.*

*Membership includes **complimentary participation in the AIE Congress, together with a wide range of additional benefits and exclusive opportunities reserved for AIE Members.***

INTERNATIONAL AIE MEMBERS

Category:

- **ORDINARY MEMBER and ORDINARY MEMBER UNDER 31 years.**
Dentist graduated and licensed to practice dentistry in countries outside Italy
- **DENTAL STUDENT MEMBER**
Dental Student in countries outside Italy

CONGRESS DINNER & AIE NIGHT PARTY

Friday, 26 February from 21.00

A special evening celebrating the spirit of the Academy, with music, entertainment and quality food in an atmosphere of conviviality and sharing.

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President: Gianluca Plotino

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