

1st International Orthodontic Conference

The 1st International Orthodontic Conference of the Pakistan Association of Orthodontists (PAO) 23-25 Sept' 2011, held at the College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan, Karachi, was very well attended by orthodontists along with general dentists. The vast number of orthodontists, dental professionals, foreign delegates and trade exhibitors glorified the event by their participation.

Dr. Zafarullah Chaudhry (President College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan) was the honorable chief guest at the inaugural ceremony. Dr. Justus, President World Federation of Orthodontists (WFO) gave a 20-minute presentation on WFO membership benefits. Local and foreign dignitaries were awarded shields in appreciation of their contribution by Prof. Abreen Afzal Ehsan (Conference Chairperson).

The conference speakers included Dr. Roberto Justus, Dr. Loh Kai Woh, Dr. Hee-Moon Kyung, Dr. Nita Viwattanatipa, Dr. Haroutium Dedeyan and Dr. William Ka-Lun Choi. The lectures given by all the speakers were a special delight. Dr. Roberto Justus spoke on versatile topics including treatment of anterior open bite, dentofacial orthopedics and post-surgical relapse in orthodontics. Each topic was well-covered.

Workshops at the conference were conducted by Dr. Joseph Bouserhal, Dr. Edmond Chaptini, Dr. William Ka-Lun Choi and Dr. Viwattanatipa. The conference also included 25 scientific poster presentations.

The successful conclusion of the conference was truly rewarding. The organizing committee offered activities like Cruise Night which included a dinner cruise in the creek of the North Arabian Sea. There was a Gala Night which included dinner and music. This event extended into late hours. The participants danced and enjoyed themselves. The organizing committee, sponsors and exhibitors were also given mementos of appreciation.

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Organizing Committee of First Pakistan International orthodontic conference



Dr. Roberto Justus presenting in Burki Auditorium during conference.



Prof. Ambreen Afzal Ehsan (president PAO) giving conference memento to Dr. Joseph Bousheral



Prof. Hee Moon Kyung Judging the poster competition



Cultural Night



The Cruise Night