



Press release from 18 August 2023



Prof Ralf Radlanski elected new President of the DGAO

Change of leadership of the German Society for Aligner Orthodontics

At an extraordinary general meeting on 17 August 2023 in Cologne, the German Association for Aligner Orthodontics (DGAO) elected Prof Ralf Radlanski as the new president of the association with an overwhelming majority. In November 2022, after serving as president for more than 15 years, Prof Rainer-Reginald Miethke stepped down for personal reasons. Nine months later to the day, the Board of the DGAO is forming anew – and thus setting the course for the future of the society.

“Further development of knowledge” as an important task of the DGAO

Radlanski is by no means a stranger at the helm of the DGAO. Since 2021, the passionate orthodontist and director of the Department of Craniofacial Developmental Biology at Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin been involved in the Board of the DGAO as Science and Research Officer. He also thanked his predecessor, Prof Rainer-Reginald Miethke, who had led the DGAO from day one and kept it on track, and said he was honoured to succeed the founding president. Miethke made a considerable contribution to the fact that aligner orthodontics, as part of modern orthodontics, places medical interests at the centre of the treatment. This is also the mission for the future. “The continual technical development and basic biomechanical research will guide us orthodontic specialists into the future of aligner treatment. The worldwide networking of experts in this field as well as the further development of knowledge about aligner orthodontics are central tasks of the DGAO”.

Prof Karl-Friedrich Krey moves up to the Board

The general meeting of the DGAO also elected Prof Karl-Friedrich Krey as Science and Research Officer – also with an overwhelming majority. The Director of the Polyclinic for Orthodontics at the University of Greifswald, long-standing speaker at the DGAO congresses, and proven aligner expert, thanked the members for their trust. He is also looking forward to the coming tasks, which he will take on together with his colleagues on the Board, Dr Boris Sonneberg (Vice President), Dr Jörg Schwarze (Secretary General), Dr Thomas Drechsler, Dr Werner Schupp, and Dr Julia Haubrich (Conference President).

The next regular general meeting will take place on 23 November 2024 – also in Cologne – and will conclude the 8th Scientific Congress for Aligner Orthodontics to which you are cordially invited by the DGAO.

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Prof Ralf Radlanski is the new president of the German Association for Aligner Orthodontics (DGAO). The general meeting elected him to head the association with an overwhelming majority.

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Prof Karl-Friedrich Krey completes the Board of the DGAO as Science and Research Officer.

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