



Dear Colleague,

I am writing to ask you to please consider coming to Italy this spring to take advantage of a wonderful opportunity. The American Dental Education Association is hosting the sixth [ADEA International Women's Leadership Conference](#) (ADEA IWLC VI) in Brescia, Italy, April 23-25. This conference brings together women in dental education from all over the world and at all stages of their careers to explore their personal growth as leaders, their contributions to their institutions and their commitment to global oral health.

[Register today](#) to join us. An amazing group of colleagues will share their experiences and views. Speakers include:

Judith Albino, Ph.D., University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine
Ebtissam Al-Madi, B.D.S., M.Sc., Princess Nourah Bint Abdulrahman University
Sandra Andrieu, Ph.D., Louisiana State University Health New Orleans School of Dentistry
Lara Bakaeen, D.D.S., M.S., Bakaeen Smile Clinic
Cathia Bergeron, D.D.S., D.M.D., M.S., Université Laval Faculté de Médecine Dentaire
Rena D'Souza, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D., International Association for Dental Research
Isabel Garcia, D.D.S., M.P.H., University of Florida College of Dentistry
Maria Ginebra Molins, Ph.D., Polytechnic University of Catalonia
Denise Kassebaum, D.D.S., M.S., University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine
Kathryn Kell, D.D.S., M.A., FDI International
Yolande Gnage Koffi, D.D.S., Abidjan School of Dentistry, University Felix Houphouet Boigny
Hok Sim Kor, D.D.S., M.S., Faculty of Dentistry, International University, Cambodia
Michelle Krupp, Ed.D., The University of Iowa College of Dentistry & Dental Clinics
Ana Lopez-Fuentes, D.M.D., M.P.H., University of Puerto Rico School of Dental Medicine
Melanie Mayberry, D.D.S., M.S.-HCM, University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry
Sophia Saeed, D.M.D., University of Nevada, Las Vegas, School of Dentistry
Lisa Tedesco, Ph.D., James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies, Emory University
Tamanna Tiwari, M.D.S., M.P.H., B.D.S., University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine

We will have ample time to network, learn from each other and share our stories.

Dr. Denise Kassebaum, Dean of the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine and Professor in the Department of Diagnostic and Biological Sciences, shares her story:

I chose to balance my life by taking a position in administration early in my academic career at the time of my first son's birth. As one of a few women dentist faculty at the institution, the role required me to "lean in" and assume new responsibilities when the demands of becoming a new mother were also new to me. I began a journey to become more self-aware of my potential to vision change. Leadership training and a network of incredible colleagues have informed my perspectives and passion for change. The fulfillment I experienced from working with faculty to innovate, create programs and shift long-standing institutional priorities has led to great professional satisfaction. My family has given me the resilience for the journey. After having had the privilege of serving as a dental dean for over a decade, my excitement is seeing the spark to change ignite in others.

The [2019 ADEA IWLC conference](#) convenes a diverse array of attendees from around the world committed to advancing women's leadership in global health, academic dentistry and research. The 2019 meeting theme centers on three lenses essential to successful and informed leadership: knowing yourself, knowing your organization and knowing your world.

Join colleagues from around the globe for this important experience. [Register](#) today!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lily T. Garcia, D.D.S., M.S." The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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