



## **Application for European Prosthodontic Association Speciality Recognition**

The EPA will recognise three levels of application

1. any prosthodontic specialist legally authorised by a government or professional body in a European country (in the same way as EC (EU) now recognises a medical or dental specialist in the listed specialities - for dentistry only Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery).
2. prosthodontic specialists that have passed well-documented training programs (minimum 3 years or equivalent).
3. Individual training which may not follow any standard pathway of training

### **Recognition for the above groups will be**

1. Automatic recognition of any legally Nationally approved European prosthodontic specialist
2. “Direct recognition” of any European Dentist who has passed a Prosthodontic Specialist Training Programme that has been judged by the EPA to have a standard that is of the same level as those in countries with legal recognition
3. Individual recognition after evaluation of the submitted documentation and presented case studies and their defence by the EPA Specialisation Committee

Applicants in group 3 should:

Have a broad based understanding of the theory and practise of Prosthodontics set in the context of total patient care. The relevant basic and clinical science will be included.

The focus of the curriculum should be on clinical training so that the candidate attains competence to make diagnoses from, patient history and collection of findings, and to formulate overall treatment plans. To implement these and to critically evaluate the results. To acquire long-term experience through re-evaluation and further care of patients whom they have previously treated.

If required the completed and documented cases must display the spectrum of dental prostheses.

No syllabus can be comprehensive and the EPA will not be prescriptive but applicants are expected to be aware of recent developments in their specialist field.

**The level of understanding should be appropriate to a three year specialist training programme.**



## Application

### All applicants must complete:

1. The online application form & email to Prof Argirios Pissiotis
2. The PayPal online submission for the administration fee (€150).

### Post to the Hon Specialist Application Committee Secretary - Prof Argirios Pissiotis:

3. A signed copy of the application form
4. Any other details required to support your application (see below)
5. Proof of EPA membership

### For applicants in group 1 (see above)

1. send a copy of their National Specialist Certificate
2. send a copy of their National Specialist registration

### For applicants in group 2 (see above)

1. send certificate from the head of department that the candidate had worked full time for at least 3 years or equivalent in a prosthodontic department,
2. send diploma received at the end of training

### For applicants in group 3 (see above)

1. send details of their training they wish to be considered for equivalence.
2. send a full curriculum vitae

*(The exam committee will then study and research the information and if appropriate invite the candidate to the examination at the following EPA meeting.*

*Once invited to apply for the examination)*

3. prepare a report of 8 complex prosthodontic treatments, at least one of these must be re-evaluated 1 year after the prosthodontic treatment for presentation at the assessment examination.

*(This should be in the form of a "CD" with 8 powerpoint presentations.)*

4. A cheque for the examination fee €150)