

Standing Committee Nomination Form 2025

☒ First Nomination ☐ Nomination for re-election

This nomination is for:

(tick one box only) PLEASE USE **ONE FORM PER NOMINATION**

☒ Membership Liaison and Support Committee ☐ Dental Practice Committee
☐ Education Committee ☐ Science Committee

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

Written presentation from the Nominee in English (Maximum 350 words for Standing Committees)

☒ Included

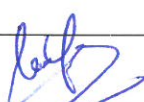
Curriculum Vitae (CV) / personal record in English in a Word format

☒ Included

NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

Title: Assistant Professor
Name: Antoine Choufani
Address: Fanar729 A Building, Beirut, Lebanon
Member Association: Lebanese Dental Association
The nominee declares that he/she is willing to serve in this position <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Signature <i>A. Choufani</i>

NOMINATING ASSOCIATION/ORGANIZATION'S INFORMATION

Name of the Association/Organization	Lebanese Dental Association (LDA)
Name of Official representing this Association/Organisation (President/NLO/President-elect). The Nominee may not nominate himself/herself.	Professor Ronald Younes
Position of Official	LDA President
Signature	

To be eligible for election to a standing committee, nominees should meet the specific criteria for each committee listed below. Please tick the boxes below if the corresponding criteria are met.

Membership Liaison and Support Committee

- ☒ Able to communicate effectively in English, verbally and in documents
- ☒ Documented knowledge and experience of working within a national or international organization
- ☒ Documented knowledge and experience in promotion of health policies of writing, printing and/or publishing
- ☒ Networking and communication skills
- ☐ A successful candidate evaluation results (only in case of nomination for re-election)

Dental Practice Committee

- ☐ Able to communicate effectively in English, verbally and in writing
- ☐ Documented knowledge and experience of clinical dental practice
- ☐ Experience in the management of projects related to dental practice
- ☐ Knowledge in areas relevant to the practice of dentistry, such as dental and professional legislation, ethics, practice management, working within a dental team, education, community oral health, etc...
- ☐ Experience in policy formulation, management and advocacy in the field of dental practice
- ☐ A successful candidate evaluation results (in case of nomination for re-election)

Education Committee

- ☐ Able to communicate effectively in English, verbally and in writing
- ☐ Documented knowledge and experience in organising continuing education programmes for dental practitioners, lecturing experience, and knowledge of educational and training methods
- ☐ A record of attendance/participation of international dental congresses
- ☐ Contacts (network) of internationally renowned dental scientists and speakers
- ☐ A successful candidate evaluation results (in case of nomination for re-election)

Science Committee Note: *for Science Committee, a mix of members with expertise from different areas is important. There is currently a requirement for candidates with experience in the fields of radiology, gerodontology / general dentistry and periodontology.*

- ☐ Able to communicate effectively in English verbally and in writing
- ☐ Post-graduate scientific qualifications
- ☐ A substantial record of publications in scientific journals especially dental
- ☐ Experience in the management of scientific projects
- ☐ Knowledge of the principles and practice of evidence-based dentistry
- ☐ Contacts (network) of internationally renowned dental scientists
- ☐ A successful candidate evaluation results (in case of nomination for re-election)

CLOSING DATES FOR NOMINATIONS FOR STANDING COMMITTEES: **14 May 2025**

This form must be signed and returned **preferably by email** to:

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with copy to Ms Maria Kramarenko mkramarenko@fdiworldddental.org
or **by fax** at +41 (0)22 560 8140

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14th May 2025

To:

FDI World Dental Federation

Subject: Application for Membership Liaison and Support Committee Nomination

I am writing to express my sincere interest in joining the Membership Liaison and Support Committee of the FDI World Dental Federation. My deep commitment to oral health and my belief in the power of collaboration across national and professional boundaries motivate me to take part in this important mission.

With over 26 years of experience as a professor and public health advocate, I've had the privilege of contributing to the advancement of oral health policy and practice in Lebanon. As Chairman of the Public Dental Health Department at the Lebanese University and a board member of the Lebanese Dental Association, I have been directly involved in numerous initiatives aimed at improving awareness, access, and standards of dental care.

Some of the projects I've led or contributed to include:

1. The first national study on oral health in Lebanon: "*Oral Health in Lebanon, A Situation Analysis*" (in collaboration with the WHO)
2. Nationwide oral health awareness campaigns
3. A national study on oral health among the elderly
4. Launching "February: National Month for Oral Health" with the Ministry of Public Health
5. Contributing to the *Lebanon Oral Health Strategy*, reviewed in a workshop with FDI experts
6. Participating in the FDI's OHO and OHAP projects

Throughout my career, I've worked closely with both local and international organizations. Nationally, I currently head the Information and Communication Committee at the Lebanese Dental Association. I have also served as a board member of the Lebanese Red Cross training committee and as a field officer in South Lebanon, in addition to collaborating with various social organizations.

On the international front, I have partnered with WHO, UNICEF, YMCA, and Offre Joie on various initiatives. One of the accomplishments I am particularly proud of is helping establish a cooperation protocol between the Lebanese Dental Association and the French Dental Association (ADF).

What draws me most to this committee is its vital role in building bridges between FDI and its member organizations. I strongly believe in the importance of listening to and supporting each member's voice. With my multicultural background, fluency in several languages, and collaborative leadership style, I am confident I can help strengthen connections, foster engagement, and promote mutual understanding.

I would be proud to contribute my expertise to the FDI's global mission and am eager to help foster a more connected and collaborative dental community.

Warm regards,

Dr. Antoine Choufani

Professor, Public Dental Health

Lebanese University



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Academic Qualifications

- **Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)** – Saint Joseph University - 1986
- **Diploma of Higher Studies (D.E.S.) in Oral Biology** – Lebanese University - 1996
- **Diploma of Higher Specialized Studies (D.E.S.S.) in Community Dentistry** – Lebanese University - 1998
- **Certificate in Public Dental Health** – René Descartes Paris University – 2002
- **Diploma in Advanced Implant Surgery (D.U.C.I.A.)** – Saint Joseph University - 2016
- **PhD in Odontological Sciences** – Lebanese University - 2021

Academic & Clinical Roles

- **Assistant Professor**, Faculty of Dental Medicine – Lebanese University
- **Head**, Department of Public Dental Health – Lebanese University
- **Chair**, Unit for Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office – Lebanese University
- **Chair**, Unit for Special Needs Dental Care – Lebanese University
- **Chair**, Infection Control Unit – Lebanese University
- **Instructor and First Aid Trainer** – Lebanese Red Cross
- **Owner and Director** – Choufani Dental Polyclinic Beirut, Lebanon
- **Owner and Director** – Choufani Dental Polyclinic Naqoura, Lebanon

Professional Memberships & Affiliations

- **National Liaison Officer**, FDI World Dental Federation
- **Fellow**, International College of Dentists (ICD)
- **Member**, International Team for Implantology (ITI)
- **Board Member**, Lebanese Dental Association (LDA)
 - Head, Prevention & Media Committee
 - Head, International Affairs
- **Committee Member**, Scientific and Organizing Committees – Beirut International Dental Meeting (BIDM)

Publications & Conferences

- International speaker on dental public health and clinical topics
- Author of multiple peer-reviewed international publications
- Consultant, WHO–UNICEF project: *Health Conditions in South Lebanon*
- Lead Researcher, National Oral Health Study – WHO & Lebanese University
- Lead Researcher, *Oral Health of Institutionalized Elderly in Lebanon*

Creative and Community Engagement

- **Published Poet and Writer**
- **Instructor and Trainer**, Lebanese Red Cross
- **Project Coordinator**, Guilde Européenne du Raid
- **Coordinator**, Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, South Lebanon
- **Former Trainer**, UNICEF
- **YMCA Representative**, South Lebanon
- **Co-founder**, “Education for Peace” Project – UNICEF
- **Trainer**, Non-violence Education and Conflict Resolution

Languages

- **English** – Fluent (spoken and written)
- **French** – Fluent (spoken and written)
- **Arabic** – Fluent (spoken and written)
- **Italian**- Intermediate (spoken and written)