

Council Nomination Form 2026

First Nomination Nomination for re-election

This nomination is for:
(tick one box only) PLEASE USE **ONE FORM PER NOMINATION**

Councillor

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

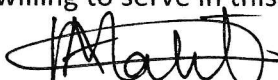
Written presentation from the Nominee in English (Maximum 500 words for Council)

Included

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


Included

NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

Title:	DENTAL SURGEON
Name:	DR. ARNOLD OPUDO MALIT
Address:	20059-00200 NAIROBI- KENYA
Member Association:	KENYA DENTAL ASSOCIATION
The nominee declares that he/she is willing to serve in this position	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	Signature 



NOMINATING ASSOCIATION/ORGANIZATION'S INFORMATION

Name of the Association/Organization KENYA DENTAL ASSOCIATION
Name of Official representing this Association/Organisation (President/NLO/President-elect). The Nominee may not nominate himself/herself. DR. ANDREW WETENDE
Position of Official NLO
Signature 

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

Councillor:

- Dentist
- Able to communicate effectively in English, verbally and in writing

CLOSING DATES FOR NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL: 10 June 2026

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

Ms Djerdana (Gina) Ivosevic at divosevic@fdiworlddental.org
with copy to Ms Maria Kramarenko mkramarenko@fdiworlddental.org

Dear Members of the FDI World Dental Federation Council and Voting Delegates,

It is with great honor that I submit my candidacy for the position of Council Member of the FDI World Dental Federation. As the current Secretary General of the Kenya Dental Association (KDA) and a master's candidate in Periodontology, I bring a combination of leadership experience, organizational governance expertise, clinical knowledge, and a deep commitment to advancing oral health at both regional and global levels.

My professional journey has been guided by a strong belief that effective leadership and scientific advancement must work hand in hand to improve oral health outcomes. Serving as Secretary General of the Kenya Dental Association has provided me with invaluable experience in strategic planning, stakeholder engagement, policy advocacy, and organizational management. In this capacity, I have worked closely with government agencies, healthcare institutions, academic bodies, and international partners to strengthen oral health initiatives and elevate the voice of the dental profession. These experiences have equipped me with the skills necessary to contribute meaningfully to the governance and strategic direction of the FDI.

Working within a developing healthcare environment has also given me firsthand insight into the challenges faced by dental professionals and patients in low- and middle-income countries. Issues such as limited access to oral healthcare services, workforce shortages, inequitable resource distribution, and insufficient integration of oral health into national health policies remain significant barriers. These realities have strengthened my conviction that global oral health strategies must be inclusive, equitable, and responsive to regional needs.

Alongside my leadership responsibilities, I am pursuing specialist training in Periodontology, a discipline that highlights the close relationship between oral health and systemic health. This academic and clinical engagement allows me to remain connected to emerging scientific evidence, innovative treatment approaches, and the evolving needs of dental practitioners. It also provides me with a unique perspective that bridges policy, research, education, and clinical practice.

If elected to the FDI Council, I will focus my efforts on three key priorities. First, I will advocate for stronger representation of underrepresented regions and ensure that the perspectives and challenges of low- and middle-income countries are reflected in FDI policies and initiatives. Second, I will support the continued integration of science-driven decision-making within the federation, promoting evidence-based policies that recognize oral health as an essential component of overall health and non-communicable disease prevention. Third, I will champion the development of future leaders within our profession

by supporting mentorship programs, research opportunities, leadership training, and greater engagement of young dentists and postgraduate students in FDI activities.

The future of global dentistry requires leaders who understand both the realities of clinical practice and the complexities of professional governance. My experience as an association executive, combined with my ongoing specialist training, enables me to approach challenges with strategic vision, practical understanding, and a commitment to collaboration.

I am eager to contribute my energy, experience, and perspective to the FDI Council and to work alongside colleagues from around the world in advancing our shared mission of leading the world to optimal oral health. I respectfully seek your support and vote, and I would be honored to serve our global dental community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Arnold Malit

Secretary General, Kenya Dental Association

ARNOLD MALIT

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SUMMARY

Experienced dentist with over 10 years of providing high-quality dental care. Proficient in advanced dental procedures, including endodontics, orthodontics, cosmetic dentistry, and oral surgery. Registered member of the Kenya Medical Practitioners Pharmacists and Dentists Union and elected official of the Kenya Dental Association.

SKILLS

Implant and periodontal surgery, oral surgery, prosthetics, orthodontics, conservative dentistry, and pediatric dentistry. Adept in HR management, multi-level stakeholder and leadership engagements, policy advocacy and organizational management.

WORK HISTORY

04/2015 - Present **Murang'a County Government**

Murang'a, Kenya *Multiple postings in government hospitals within Murang'a County*

2023 -current **Assistant Director Dental Services Services**

Kenneth Matiba Eye & Dental Hospital

- Developed and operationalized the hospital dental unit to xx% efficiency unit with limited resources within X months
- Led team of three junior officers in weekly surgical training sessions, resulting in a 40% decrease in trainee error rates
- Pioneered a community education program boosting practice visibility and increasing patient acquisition by 20%.

2019-2020 **Assistant Director Dental Services Services**

Senior Dental Officer

Dental Officer & Head of Department, Dental Unit

Kangema Sub-County Hospital

- Promoted to Assistant Director in 2019 assuming leadership and control of ...
- Optimized the use of CO2 lasers in cosmetic procedures, improving recovery times by 15%
- Implemented cutting-edge CBCT technology, reducing surgical planning time by 25%

2015 -2019 **Senior Dental Officer**

Murang'a Referral Hospital

- Provide dental care for patients and manage dental illnesses and diseases
- Assist in the regular updating of the dental clinic quality assurance systems
- Performed over 500 complex dentoalveolar surgeries annually, maintaining a patient satisfaction rate of 95%.

04/2018 - Present **Director & Dental Surgeon**

Nairobi, Kenya

Lavington Green Dental Suite

- Increased practice revenue by 30% through innovative implant surgery techniques.
- Manage various disciplines of dental reviewing care including oral surgery, prosthetics, orthodontics, periodontology and conservative dentistry
- Assist in the regular updating of the dental clinic quality assurance systems

03/2017 - 07/2018 Dental Surgeon, Locum General Dentist
Nairobi, Kenya **AAR Healthcare**

06/2016 – 06/2017 Dental Surgeon, Locum General Dentist
Nairobi, Kenya **Vimak Dental Centre**

04/2014 - 04/2015 Dental Officer Intern
Nairobi, Kenya **Ministry of Health, Kenyatta National Hospital**

- Provide dental care for patients and managing dental illnesses and diseases
- Manage various disciplines of dental reviewing care including oral surgery, prosthetics, orthodontics, periodontology and conservative dentistry
- Handle emergency cases during calls

EDUCATION

10/2025 - Master of Science in Periodontology
Nairobi, Kenya **University of Nairobi**

09/2007 – 11/2013 Bachelor of Dental Surgery
Nairobi, Kenya **University of Nairobi**

Disciplines: Maxillofacial surgery, prosthetic dentistry, Conservative and restorative dentistry, Oral pathology and Oral Medicine and Periodontology.

April 2017 -May 2017 Senior Management Course, SMC
Embu, Kenya **Kenya School of Government**

LICENSURE

The Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board Registered Since 2014

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Leadership

May 2026- Current Assistant Honorable treasurer of the Kenya Medical Pharmacists Dentists Union, Central Branch

May 2025-Secretary General of the Kenya Dental Association
Chair, Kenya Association of Dental Researchers

2021-2026-Deputy Secretary General of the Kenya Medical Pharmacists Dentists Union, Central Branch

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The Kenya Dental Association – 2015-present

Kenya Medical, Dentist and Pharmacist Union-2015 to present

Student Competition for Advancing Dental research and its Application (SCADA)-2012-present

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