

ITI CONGRESS

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International Keynote Speakers

Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas Prof. Dr. med Dr. med. Dent. and Dr. Ghida Lawand BDS, MSc

Join us at the ITI Congress Australasia 2026!

The International Team for Implantology (ITI) is a global, independent association dedicated to advancing implant dentistry through education, research and collaboration.

ITI Australasia is delighted to invite you to join us at the ITI Congress Australasia, taking place 4–6 June 2026 at 1 Hotel Melbourne.

Bringing together more than 23,000 Fellows and Members worldwide, including 850 local Australasia members, the ITI fosters the exchange of clinical and scientific expertise through meetings, courses, congresses and over 900 Study Clubs.

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Congress Program: Workshops

Pre-Congress Workshops

Thursday, June 4, 2026

08:30 - 12:30 **Design Smarter Smiles:** Smilecloud's Step-by-Step Workflow

Presenter: Dr. Ghida Lawand

08:30 - 16:00 **ITI Dental Assistant Implant Course**

Presenters: Prof. Ivan Darby / Ms. Rosemary White

Congress Workshops

Saturday, 6 June, 2026

08:30 - 11:15 **OHT Workshop:** How to become the Implant Champion in your Practice. Hosted by Emma Cubis

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Presenter: Ms. Sarah Laing

12:00 - 14:45 **Dental Tech Round Table:** From Chaos to Clarity
Hosted by John Lucas

Presenters: Mr. Jeroen Klijsma, Ms. Akruti Tataria,
Mr. David Hermann

*All workshops available for registration via the ITI Australasia Congress Website

*Program is subject to change.

ITI Congress Australasia – Day 1

Friday, June 5, 2026

07:30 - 08.15	Registration	
08:15	Opening	Dr. Benjamin Sellick
08:35	Session 1: The High-Stakes Patient	
	Moderator: Dr. Rebecca Ellis	
	Infection, Antibiotics and the Medically compromised patient	Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas
	Treating the Failed Dentition	Dr. Ghida Lawand
	Q&A	
	Coffee break	
10:55	Session 2: Pre-Clinical Perspectives	
	Moderator: Dr Janice Kan	
	The Patient Journey : Before They Sit in the Chair — Attracting the Right Patient	Ms. Carolyn Dean
	The Preclinical Perspective	Prof. Saso Ivanovski
	Q&A	
12:25	Lunch	
13:15	Session 3: Technology at the Frontier	
	Moderator: Dr. Benedicta Wong	
	Biologics of Bone Grafting / Sinus Floor Elevation	Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas
	Implantology in the Age of AI: Advancing Care and Addressing Errors	Dr. Ghida Lawand
	Q&A	
15:15	Coffee break	
15:35	Session 4: Our Patients' Perspectives	
	Moderators: Dr. Jennifer Chantler & Ms. Emma Cubis	
	Patient-Reported Outcome Measures: Trend or Essential Component of Patient-Centered Care	Dr. Franz Strauss
	Decision Making in Implantology: from Dentist Driven to Patient Centered Care	Dr. Cecilia So
	Q&A	
19:00 - 23:00	Social Event: Straumann® Party	

ITI Congress Australasia – Day 2

Saturday, June 6, 2026

08:15 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 Session 5: The Future of the Laboratory

Moderators: Mr John Lucas & Dr. Kirthi Kosalram

AI That Connects Clinic and Lab

Ms. Akruti Tataria

From Stone to Screen: Controlling accuracy in Digital Dentistry

Mr. Jeroen Klijnsma

Q&A

10:15 Coffee break

10:45 Session 6: Mastering Retreatment, Recovering from Disaster

Moderator: Dr. Nova Gibson

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Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas

Beyond Failure - Management of Complex Retreatment and Recovery

Dr. Felix Sim

Q&A

12:15 Lunch

13:15 Session 7: Protecting the Asset

Moderator: Dr. Amylia Bal

Immediate Implant Placement: When to Do It, and How to Do It More Predictably

Dr. Ghida Lawand

Maintaining the Restored Arch

Ms. Tabitha Acret

Q&A

14:45 Coffee break

15:15 Session 8: Medicolegal Ramifications of Surgical and Restorative Practice

Moderator: Dr. Benjamin Sellick

The Anatomy and Biology of Mistakes

Dr. Stephen Chen

I've Done it 1000 Times Before, Why Now?

Dr. Gerry Clausen & Dr. Annalene Weston

Panel Discussion

Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas, Dr. Ghida Lawand, A/Prof. Stephen Chen, Dr. Gerry Clausen, Dr. Annalene Weston, Mr. Jeroen Klijnsma

17:00 End of ITI Congress Australasia 2026

Keynote Speakers



Prof. Bilal Al-Nawas
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Bilal Al-Nawas is Chairman of the Department of Oral, Maxillofacial and Plastic Surgery at the J. Gutenberg University of Mainz, Germany. He has been Adjunctive Associate Professor at Kyung Hee University School of Dentistry, Seoul, Korea since 2009. Professor Al-Nawas' major clinical and scientific focus in dental implantology is on clinical studies and basic research. His clinical field of work is compromised patients with risk factors or local bone deficiency, as well as tumor and cleft reconstructions. He has published over 200 publications in peer-reviewed journals. He sits on the ITI Board of Directors and the ITI Research Committee, is an ITI Fellow and ITI Education Delegate of the ITI Section Germany. He was twice awarded "Best Teacher at the Medical Faculty". He is Past President of the International Federation of Dental Anesthesiology Societies (IFDAS) and Secretary General of the German Society of Implantology (DGI).



Dr Ghida Lawand
BDS, MSc, Prosthodontist
United States of America

Dr. Ghida Lawand earned her Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) from Beirut Arab University, Lebanon, and pursued a Master's degree in Prosthodontics and Esthetic Dentistry at Saint Joseph University, Lebanon. She has served as a clinical and digital instructor in the Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics Department at Beirut Arab University. In addition to her academic role, she has practiced dentistry in her private practice and at Tohme Clinic. Currently, Dr. Lawand is a Digital Implant Fellow at the University of Florida, Gainesville, USA. In 2018, she won the Middle East and North Africa regional finals of the Global Clinical Case Contest held by Dentsply Sirona. In 2024, she was awarded the Audience Favorite Award at the World Series Final of the Young ITI Day in Singapore. Dr. Lawand has contributed to the field of prosthodontics, digital dentistry, and implantology through her publications in peer-reviewed journals.

Faculty



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Registration and Fees

Registration fees are including GST and are quoted in Australian Dollars

	Early Bird - before March 31st	Late - from April 1st
ITI Membership		
ITI Member/Fellow	\$1,200	\$1,500
ITI Hygienist, Dental Tech, Post Graduate Student	\$700	\$900
Non-ITI		
Non-ITI Clinician	\$1,500	\$1,800
Non-ITI Hygienist, Dental Tech, Post Graduate Student, Dental Assistant	\$900	\$1,100
Straumann Gala Dinner		
Delegate Ticket	\$150	
Extra Guest Ticket	\$150	
Workshops		
ITI Dental Assistant Implant Course	\$440	
Design Smarter Smiles: Smilecloud's Step-by-Step Workflow	\$400	
OHT Workshop: How to Become the Implant Champion in your Practice	\$100	
Dental Technician Round Table: From Chaos to Clarity	\$100	

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The Straumann Party at the ITI Congress is a highlight of the program, bringing clinicians and industry partners together for an evening of relaxed networking, shared experiences and new collaborations in a vibrant, welcoming setting. With great food, music and a lively atmosphere, it perfectly complements the scientific sessions by strengthening community, sparking fresh ideas and celebrating the best of implant dentistry.



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Upcoming Educational Events

Sunday, April 19, 2026

Melbourne - Full Day Workshop

Implant Care 360: A Young Clinician's Guide: A Young ITI Roadshow

Speakers: Dr. Alana Smith, Dr. Jennifer Chantler, Ms. Emma Cubis & more

Thursday, April 23, 2026

Online - Webinar

ITI Treatment Concept Webinar 2

Speaker: Dr. Carme Riera

Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Online - Webinar

ITI Treatment Concept Webinar 3

Speaker: Dr. Samuel Akhondi

Friday, October 2, 2026

Melbourne - Full Day Hands-On Course

ITI Soft Tissue Management Around Natural Teeth and Dental Implants

Speakers: Dr. Rebecca Ellis and Dr. Alex Khominsky

Saturday, October 24, 2026

Perth - Full Day Workshop

Implant Care 360: A Young Clinician's Guide: A Young ITI Roadshow

Dr. Leila Kazemi, Dr. Jennifer Chantler, Ms. Emma Cubis & more



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