

New scenarios for the 'Collegio dei Docenti'

The *Collegio dei Docenti di Odontoiatria* represents the organ which coordinates the several University Courses on the National territory; it has been created for allowing a continuous cultural comparison among the teachers with the aim of improving the teaching quality and to make homogenous the educational path of our students.

The advanced conclusion of Prof. Elettra De Stefano Dorigo's mandate has brought to the election of Prof. Antonella Polimeni, and to the election of Prof. Enrico Gherlone as Elected President.

The task which is assigned to the new executive body is difficult. The recent economical and political national events have brought to a change in the University world. The lack of funds imposes a reorganization regarding the growth of the several university sites, and it will be even difficult to succeed in keeping the acquired roles. Any way the crisis usually represent also some important moments of reflection and of growth opportunities. That perspective brings me to support the central role of the '*Collegio dei Docenti*' as the representative organ of the University Course at an institutional level, and for that reason it is fundamentally important the internal presence of each university group. From that point of view the inclusion of researchers and associated professors – which was requested from the representatives of the *Collegio* – has been very positive.

There are years of hard work to be faced in the future, but we are sure that the new executive body will be able to face all the several problems with the right skills in order to give some concrete replies to our professional world.

Cordially

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