

# Letter of Intent

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It is not easy to write a Letter of Intent without falling in the usual phrases and formal promises. Instead, here, I will try to tell you briefly who I am, where I am coming from and what I do believe in.

I grew up in Rome, family of Physicians and Dentists, in a house where almost every breakfast, lunch and dinner was looking like a scientific consultation, if not a true Meeting. That was fun, we were sharing knowledge, and education was simply seen as the excellent, important basic way to learn and grow.

During all my academic life, I had the good chance to meet highly educated and passionate Professionals, whose example has been essential to motivate and make me understand that Prosthodontics would have been the best Specialty in my hands ever. I have been a full of hope, enthusiasm, curiosity and good will International student, and like many others I flew to the US with my precious slides-case to be interviewed. After my Graduation, I was asked to teach, and from there on my curiosity and professional life never slowed down, because my learning curve never got to an end.

My US Board Certification in Prosthodontics played a key role in my effort to better integrate the traditional medical-dental care with Prosthodontics. This gave me further chances to brush up on so many matters, providing me a better understanding and certainty that ours is the most comprehensive and forever young Specialty able to mold capable and modern Professionals into Dental Care Leaders. Today, I am attracted by the newer and astonishing Digital Technology, as I do understand that its tsunami wave is proving us that, no limits may exist to our clinical and lab future! It offers the best chances to perfect our Prosthodontic Profession, allowing us to treatment plan and cure increasingly better all patients.

Since 4 years, I am humbly serving the American College of Prosthodontists as the Membership Director of the 7<sup>th</sup> Region, International. This unique opportunity gave me chances to see the powerful link existing between the College and its National and International Membership. I also realized that a large, if not the largest, number of our PG Students is International, and that so many times the best of them become unique and exceptional Faculties, Directors, Chairs and Deans. All in all they are the living evidence of the past, present and future high values of the US Educational Dental Medical System.

As an ACP BOD Member, Member of Committees and as a Spokesperson, I appreciate the huge commitment, wise intelligence and aimed consistency the ACP always demonstrated toward our Specialty. In fact, its long-standing close link with the ABP, and its productive dialog with CODA, lead to important achievements in our Schools and Offices. For example, thanks to them, all our students experience the optimal practice of implant placement in all accredited US Prosthodontic Programs, thus refining their professional competence to treatment plan and to boost our professional clinical capabilities.

As an Adjunct Associate Professor, I have been humbly serving for 25 years my School, also asked to lecture at other accredited Advanced Specialty Programs. There I learned a lot, as I was always given while giving. Today I am facing another challenge: I am asked to run as Vice President in this ballot. It is my true belief the ACP to be "The Very One" Professional Organization able to support actively our Prosthodontic Students, Faculties, and all the best Clinicians. In fact, not only we gather almost them all at our Meetings, but proudly I know we are spreading abroad the highest Specialty standards of care ever!

I will never forget the honor I had to meet many of them who are not with us anymore. They will live in our hearts forever; we need them, the roots of our future lie strong in our past. I grew up everywhere, but as a former I-Student and Teacher I do strongly believe America will always be the Country of Opportunities, as here the best meritocratic principles live all free to stand high. Finally, best wishes to the next Vice-President with joy! Only positive results of this fair dream will take place in the ACP this time too. Thanks for your reading time, wherever you are, long live to you, to the US, and to our Unique ACP!

## Curriculum Vitae

### Calvani Lino Pasquale, MD, DDS, MSc, CDT, FACP, FICD.

Dr. Calvani achieved his Medical and Dental Degree and Licence at the University La Sapienza in Rome, Italy, where he also achieved an Italian and European Dental Technician Certificate and Licence at the Maggiori Institute of Rome.

He also achieved a two years Certificate in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery of the Nose, Neck and Face at Scuola Medica Ospedaliera of Rome.

In 1991 he achieved a Postgraduate Certificate in Prosthodontics at TUFTS University School of Dental Medicine, in Boston, Director Professor Gino Passamonti, where he is teaching in the same Department since 1997 as an Adjunct Associate Professor of Prosthodontics and Operative Dentistry, Directors Professor Hiroshi Hirayama, and Professor Kiho Kang.

He achieved also a two years Master Degree in Applied Biomechanics Engineering in the Department of Biomechanical Engineering, the Biomedical Engineering Wolfson Center, at Strathclyde University, Glasgow, Director Professor Eng. Sandy Nicol. (2007-2009)

He is a PhD Candidate on Dental Implants Biomechanics in the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Thessaloniki, Director Professor Argiris Pissiotis, Greece.

Since 2002 he is a Course Director of two Continuing Education Courses at TUFTS University in “*Full Arch Prosthetic Rehabilitations: Complete Denture Prosthetics*” and in “*Treatment Planning: The Prosthodontic Challenges of Simple Cases and Complicate Rehabilitations*”, in the Department of Continuing Education, Directors: Professor Van Zissi and Samuel Ruth.

He has been lecturing in the Department of Reconstructive Sciences Health Center at University of Connecticut in Farmington, Connecticut, Chair Dr. Thomas Taylor, Director Dr. John Agar and Avinash Bidra, and also in the Department of Advanced Graduate Program in Prosthodontics at Harvard University in Boston, with former Director Dr. Robert Wright.

He is a Former Professor of Prosthodontics with a Contract in the Institute of Normal Anatomy at the University of Siena, School of Dental Medicine, Director Professor Luciano Fonzi, Siena, Italy, (2003-2007).

Also, he has been collaborating in the same Department with Professor Vasilios Kaitsas in Scanning Electron Microscope Researches, both on the Dental-Prostheses Microscopic Interfaces and on the new Enamel-Dentin-Restorative Adhesive Systems.

Dr. Calvani is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontists, and holds his Board Certification since 2009.

He served as a Prosthodontist and Restorative Professional in a Community Service at Veterans Hospital, Chelsea, Boston, MA, (1990-1991).

Dr. Calvani holds the position of Membership Director of the VII Region, International, of the *American College of Prosthodontists* since 2013 (**ACP**).

He is Co-Founder and President of the Italian Academy of Esthetic Dentistry (**IAED**).

He is Fellow of the *American College of Prosthodontists* (**FACP**); Associate Fellow of the *Academy of Prosthodontists* (**AP**); Associate Fellow of the *Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics* (**GNYAP**); Fellow of the *International College of Dentists* (**FICD**).

He is an Active Member of the *American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics* (**AAFP**); *American Prosthodontic Society* (**APS**); *International Association for Dental Research* (**IADR**); *International Society of Biomechanics* (**ISB**); *Academy of Osseointegration* (**AO**); *International Federation of Esthetic Dentistry* (**IFED**).

He is also an Active Member and served as Publication Chairman to the European Academy of Aesthetic Dentistry (**EAED**) for the years 2003 and 2004.

He is a Constituent Member of the *International College of Prosthodontists (ICP)*; Co-Founder of the *Italian College of Prosthodontists (ICP)*, and he is an Associate Member of the *Italian Academy of Prosthetic Dentistry (AIOP)*.

Dr. Calvani is the Co-Founder and President of the Italian Tufts Alumni (**ITA**) and he is the Italian Regional Chairman of the Tufts Prosthodontic Alumni Charitable Organization (**TPACO**) since 2009.

He has been a Member of the Membership Committee of the *International College of Prosthodontists* (2010-13);

He is a Member of the Strategic Planning Committee of the *American Academy Fixed Prosthodontics* (2012-16);

He has been and is a Member of the Scientific Program Organizing Committees of the *American College of Prosthodontists Annual Meetings*: Baltimore 2014, San Diego 2016 (also Conductor);

He has been a Member of the Scientific Program Organizing Committee of the ACP Digital Dentistry Symposium of the *American College of Prosthodontists*, Chicago 2015;

He has been a Member of the Table Clinic Judge Committees of the *American College of Prosthodontists* (2009-2015), and of the *American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics* (2008-2015);

He is a Member of the Fall Meeting Scientific Committee of the *Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontists*, (2016)

He is a Member of the Scientific Program Organizing Committee of the International Annual Meeting of the *European Academy of Esthetic Dentistry*, Milano 2017;

He is a Member of the National Prosthodontics Awareness Week Task Force, of the *American College of Prosthodontists*;

He is a Member of the *American College of Prosthodontists* Spokespersons Network;

He is a Member of the ICP Professional Relations Committee;

Dr. Calvani is a Former Member of the Editorial Review Board of the *Journal of Dental Implantology and Periodontology* and a Reviewer of the *European Journal of Aesthetic Dentistry*.

He authored and co-authored numerous scientific articles on peer review Journals of Medicine, Dentistry and Prosthodontics.

He is co-authoring a Book in *Complete Denture Prosthodontics* and a book in *Dental Biomechanics*, Quintessence International Editions,

He is active in research, and he has been lecturing extensively at Meetings since 1984 in Europe, Asia, South-Africa and in the USA.

He maintains his Private Office in Rome, limiting his activity to Prosthodontics, Implant and Aesthetic Dentistry. He is Founder and Director of the *Dental Engineering Prosthodontics Center* in Rome, Italy.

Dr. Calvani is a Windsurf Former Master Instructor and Athlete, and Co-founder of the Windsurfing School Hawaiian Surfing in the City of Anzio, Rome, Italy. He run and won numerous Windsurf Competitions, and in the Seventies and Eighties he also competed to the Windsurf European and World Championships, Volume Class, with the Italian Sailboard Team.

He has been Guest and Conductor at Medical and Dental, Regional and National TV Programs in Italy. He has been interviewed by a number of Daily, Weekly and Monthly Italian papers on Dental, Prosthodontic and Facial Esthetics topics.

Dr. Calvani served in the 125° Infantry Regiment of the Italian Air Force, and in the 56° Airborne ANPDI.

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