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**Press Release**

DELIVER AGM 2023 Strengthens Collaboration and Reflects on Research Progress in Oral Healthcare

The 2nd Annual General Meeting of the DELIVER project (DELiberative ImproVEment of oRal care quality) was held in Utrecht from 4–6 October 2023, gathering project partners, researchers, and advisory board members to exchange insights, reflect on research progress, and further strengthen consortium-wide collaboration.

The meeting provided an important platform for each work package lead to present updates on research findings and ongoing activities, as well as to explore the opportunities and challenges arising in the project's early implementation phase. Discussions spanned across domains including quality monitoring, patient-centred outcomes, community engagement, commissioning, governance, and data systems.

The meeting programme featured two keynote contributions:

* Prof. Sabine Oertelt-Prigione delivered a lecture titled *“The Impact of Sex and Gender on Health Care Research”*, exploring how these dimensions influence outcomes, design, and equity in healthcare systems.
* Emeritus Professor Ruud Bos presented on the theme *“Healthcare Should Not Be Without Obligation”*, addressing ethical and professional responsibilities in care delivery and system design.

Both lectures added depth to the consortium’s broader mission of improving quality, safety, and inclusivity in oral health systems across Europe.

The presence of the **Scientific Advisory Board** added further value, offering constructive feedback on the project’s direction and reinforcing its commitment to quality, safety, and inclusivity in oral health systems across Europe.

“This AGM was a powerful reminder of the strength of our collaboration and the shared vision that drives DELIVER forward”

**Dr Paula Vassallo**

**Disseminations Lead, Deliver Project**

**Additional Information: About Deliver Project**

Funded by the European Union’s Horizon Europe programme (Grant Agreement No. 101057077), DELIVER brings together academic institutions, healthcare organisations, ministries of health, and non-profits to co-create practical tools that strengthen the safety, accessibility, and person-centred quality of oral care.

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