“Chapter 6, Charter on Training of Medical Specialists in the EU Requirements for the Specialty Oro-Maxillo-Facial Surgery”

DEFINITION and SCOPE of the SPECIALTY
Oro-Maxillo-Facial Surgery is that Specialty concerned with the history – taking, examination, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of the congenital and acquired pathologic conditions of the cranium, the face, the neck, the mouth and the jaws.

Acquired conditions can result from disease, tumour, trauma, degeneration and ageing.

The scope includes but is not limited to:
- aesthetic/cosmetic/plastic facial surgery
- craniofacial surgery
- dento-alveolar surgery
- management of cranio-maxillo-facial trauma (bone, teeth and soft tissues), both acute and injuries and sequellae
- management of pain and anxiety
- oncologic treatment and surgery in the head and neck area, including benign and malignant salivary gland tumours, and including management of regional lymph node stations
- oral pathology/oral medicine
- orthognathic/facial orthopaedic surgery
- preprosthetic surgery including implantology
- regional reconstructive surgery including harvesting of hard and soft tissue grafts and microsurgery
- surgical and non-surgical management of temporomandibular joint diseases and disorders
- surgical treatment of congenital abnormalities including cleft lip and palate surgery
- treatment of infections involving bone and soft tissues in the head and neck area.