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Dear Colleagues

We wholeheartedly wish that our message finds you, your beloved ones and your families well, healthy and safe. We are all experiencing an unprecedented crisis due to the pandemic outbreak of the Covid-19 virus. The conditions of self-isolation and confinement at home are challenging for all of us.

The FEPTO Council had to make the difficult decision to postpone the 15th FEPTO Conference and the 28th Annual Meeting and re-schedule for 2021. The new dates for both events have already been announced and we are thankful for the prompt reaction of the Local Organizing Committee. Both events will be held at Metropol Hotel, in Ohrid, North Macedonia, on the following dates:

15th FEPTO Conference: 14-16 May 2021

28th FEPTO Annual Meeting: 16-20 May 2021

According to our constitution, it is a requirement that the General Assembly needs to take place at least once a year. Furthermore, since the yearly encounter of the FEPTO community is deemed highly significant, it has been decided that the General Assembly will be held online this year, on the day that it was originally planned, Tuesday, the 26th of May. You can find the announcement and more details in this issue.

FEPTO as a European Federation has been and always will be committed to promote and facilitate the development of the psychodramatic method and the constructive exchanges between its members. Despite the restrictions that have been imposed the past few

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weeks to minimize the spread of Covid-19 all over Europe, we remain dedicated to our mission. We have already organized an online seminar in psychodrama practicing and training, in collaboration with Victor Semenov, a distinguished member of our community with experience in delivering psychodrama and monodrama training and supervision online. We are planning more online activities that will be announced via email to the institutes, on the FEPTO page on Facebook and of course on our website.



We are trying as much as possible to support our members in this dire situation of the coronavirus pandemic. We have already posted some material on how to safeguard our practice and accommodate the needs of our clients and our trainees in the best possible way, to our Facebook page and our website. More useful information, guidelines, and instructions will be uploaded soon. We also suggest using the "open space" section of our platform, FEPTO Forum for exchanges and communication amongst us.

Finally, we highly encourage each and everyone of you who would like to contribute to our cause of supporting the psychodrama community in any possible way, to contact the FEPTO Council.

Through this editorial and the Newsletter, we would like to reassert our solidarity and support to all our colleagues stressing the significance of remaining connected, even when isolated. Within FEPTO, we are using all the means we have at our disposal, to ensure the connectivity among psychodramatists worldwide. Our thoughts are with our colleagues in Italy, Spain and all those who are suffering in these dire circumstances, and we hope for timely restoration of our daily lives, activities, and practices. We have faith in our creativity, spontaneity and collective resilience!

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