



In memory of Luis de Nicolas y Martinez who passed away on October 10, 2017.

He was Professor Emeritus of Psychology at the University of Deusto in Spain. His labor was marked by his extensive activity in different areas of the knowledge of a discipline: Psychology, which between 1970 and 1980 was in the process of being defined. The experience which he acquired in Italy and Germany during twelve years aided as a guide in organizing the first formative programs for the earning of a degree as well as post graduate degrees and Doctorates at the University of Deusto. His contributions were also recognized in the field of social work where he participated in the teachings of this study at the Escuela de Asistencia Social (The School of Social Assistance) in Vitoria.

Nicolas y Martinez collaborated with the professors Juan Maria Isasi and Manuel Marroquin in the designing of contents and itineraries specializing in the career of Psychology. He started the first laboratories of Psychology at the University of Deusto favoring the creation of networks specializing in the formation of Clinical Psychology; thus creating the first Masters Degree in Spain.

His professional work was also highly recognized by the Spanish Colegio Oficial de Psicologas(oficial school of psychologists) of Spain. Therefore he participated on the commissions which defined the professional profiles of Sports Psychology, Traffic, and Road Safety as well as the intervention in Crisis' and Catastrophes.

As of 1983, Luis de Nicolas was the founder of The School of Psychodrama,Sociodrama and Dynamics, Zerka T. Moreno de Vitoria Gasteiz Center of Formation which he directed together with Monica Zuretti. There, to hundreds of psychologists, the work of Jacob Levi Moreno was let known . It was thereafter initiated,formed and work continues in this field.

We give thanks to Luis de Nicolas, for his efforts, his commitment and constant dedication throughout his long trajectory. He always maintained loyalty to the theoretic principles and methodology of Psychodrama's founder.

As also in other areas of Psychology, a line of work, study, and investigation in Psychodrama was left open for all professionals and those who meet with Monica Zuretti each year to continue working, all of them summoned by Luis de Nicolas y Martinez.

We thank you Luis for the legacy you left us. It is a path which has turned out to be a thrilling passion, a path which now begins for us and all those who can continue with what they have learned about human relations via initiative and practice and there continues the challenge for more to be discovered in the future.

On a more human level and according to that which Professor Imanol Amaral remembers, "He has been the teacher of investigations in psychology, a man with an acute ingenuity who sought amongst his collaborators not only the academic stimulus of knowledge but also a self knowledge, a restless man with great intuition and a pragmatic sense which he could not hide, a timid and tender man. He will be remembered by us who knew him, who saw him walking head bowed with his astute, crafty look and his rucksack at the ready, always full of papers and books as he hurriedly left his office to get to the bus which took him daily to Vitoria, and always filled with the desire of returning to his University of Deusto another day."

Monica Zuretti
Ana Meras