



**Membership of  
the National Psychiatric  
Associations (NPAs) of Europe  
in  
the European Psychiatric  
Association (EPA)**

# Year 2012

## EPA accounts

**30 National Society Members  
from 28 countries:**

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Austria      | Lithuania   |
| Belarus      | Netherlands |
| Belgium      | Norway      |
| Bosnia-Herz. | Poland      |
| Czech Rep.   | Portugal    |
| Finland      | Romania     |
| France       | Russia      |
| Germany      | Serbia      |
| Greece       | Slovakia    |
| Hungary      | Slovenia    |
| Ireland      | Spain       |
| Israel       | Switzerland |
| Italy        | Turkey      |
| Latvia       | UK          |



## MAIN PURPOSES OF THE NEW EPA

- **Greater influence** of psychiatrists on European mental health policies
- **Better quality** of psychiatric care and service in Europe
- **Further harmonisation** of psychiatric practices across Europe
- **Sharing** common interests and resolving common problems



*Council of Europe, Strasbourg*



*European flag*



*European Commission, Brussels*

## MEANS FOR ACHIEVING THE PURPOSES

### *Representation of psychiatric profession in:*

- Council of Europe and European Union institutions
- European professional organisations such as UEMS and EBC

### *Organisation of:*

- Annual European Congress of Psychiatry
- Summer School and CME courses
- Other scientific and educational events

### *Publication of:*

- European Psychiatry journal
- European Guidance papers and Position statements

### *Support to:*

- European Early Career Psychiatrists in career development
- Activities of EPA Sections
- National psychiatric events through EPA patronage

### *Coordination: by the EPA Headquarters*



## BENEFITS FOR NATIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERS

### *Better representation at European level:*

- Being part of the largest European network of psychiatric associations
- Voting right at the EPA General Assembly, including Board elections (with a 50-50 balance of power)

### *Exchange of ideas and practices across Europe:*

- Regular meetings with other National Societies' leaders within the Council of NPAs
- Organisation of NPAs' special events during the European Congress of Psychiatry
- Organisation of CME courses, joint symposia and Sections symposia at national events
- One free of charge annual subscription to the European Psychiatry journal

### *Better visibility at European level:*

- EPA patronage to national events, publications, etc.
- Promotion of NPA's activities through EPA channels of communication



### *Easier access to European psychiatric community for national members:*

- Free Affiliate Membership with special benefits for all individual members of NPAs

## BENEFITS FOR EPA AFFILIATE MEMBERS (individual members of NPAs)

- Status of being affiliate to the European community of psychiatrists
- Regular EPA e-news on educational activities, research, CPD, EU initiatives, scientific events, etc.
- Possibility of e-news in local languages in cooperation with National Psychiatric Associations
- Observer status at the EPA General Assembly
- Special offer for upgrading Affiliate membership toward Individual:
  - *20% discount for each new single registration as Individual Member*
  - *30% discount for each of two Affiliate Members registering together*

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