

Membership Committee report, summary - 2021/2022

The following actions has been taken during this time period:

1. **Coordination of the reviewing process for Full Professional Membership for Latvia:**
 - a. peer review done by Hungary and Poland associations. Both reviewing countries recommend voting for renewal.

The issue in this process is:

1. When it is a university programme:
 - a. The hours of internship are regulated by the university (and University programs are consistent with state and EU regulations of higher education) and are a smaller amount than EADMT suggested in the guidance.
 - b. Personal therapy requirements may not be part of the training programme. And for some programmes they become therapists and not psychotherapists.
2. When it is a state university funded program, the national association does not hold training program registration, and therefore the association does not control the training programme, but can recommend improvements.
3. When a state recognizes the title of profession, it means that some regulatory function is given to the state (not the association) - like CPD regulation.

Regarding 1 and 2:

Latvia is trying to close those gaps with certification procedures. But still it raised questions for the peer-reviewer countries this year as well. The reviewer has approved Latvia, with comments as they and the membership committee (Mette, In this concrete case as Indra could not be a part of her own country) leaned into the conclusion we did last year.

Conclusions from 2021/22:

Countries are in different stages of the TS implementation process - and it seems to create a misunderstanding - should the new TS hours be already there OR the process of implementing should be recognized. From our point of view - we accepted both situations. There still is a situation that countries have different structures of their training programs and not all the aspects in TS form (regarding hours) were directly applicable.

2. **Communication with** The Switzerland Association for dissolution of btk association and joining gpk professional association for art therapy (gpk Fachverband für Kunsttherapie). There will be a section of dance movement therapy within the gpk association and Switherland association aims to keep their membership status of Full Basic.

Comments & recommendations:

- 1) Recommendation regarding next renewal process - when national association does not hold the rights to control training programs - The national association needs to find resolutions and offer possibilities to fill the gaps in context of TS guidelines.
- 2) Suggestion – Regarding our suggestions from last year to split all the countries' renewals in blocks.... (from membership committee). Plans - to create a procedure of review process - how to look at requirements in the forms.
 - a) Vote for the decision
 - b) Decide which countries can move to one year earlier
 - c) The year of renewal from each country will be visible at the EADMT homepage
- 3) Create tables and put it on the EADMT's webpage, so every country can see when their membership renewal year is.

For next year:

- Membership committee will keep communication with the Switzerland association.
- We will continue to work on changes in the renewal form to make it more user friendly.
- Make a lottery the Renewal for Austria full basic membership.

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