

State Professionale Recognition WG – SPRWG

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Our work consisted in refining our survey on the mapping of places and institutions offering DMT in Europe and its launch in some member countries.

For this, our working group met online on a monthly basis.

In particular, after testing the questionnaire with the co-operation of colleagues from different countries, our group felt the need to involve a researcher who could play an advisory and support role. In particular, Prof. Dr. Marianna Siino of the University of Palermo, an expert in this type of survey, was identified.

In particular, the initial questionnaire was reorganised into two separate questionnaires:

- The first one addressed to all registered DMTs professionals aimed at identifying the places of institutional practice and those of private practice
- The second reserved for institutions to collect a range of information on DMT practice, type of users, etc.

The survey foresees two distinct time steps:

1° The administration of the questionnaire 1 to DMTs professions

2° On the basis of the list of places of practice, the administration of the questionnaire 2 to institutions, followed by data processing and publication and dissemination of the list.

A survey of DMT professionals is currently underway in a number of countries that first showed their interest and readiness for this first phase:

Belgium

Italy

Czech Republic

UK

Hungary

The questionnaire in English has been translated into some national languages to facilitate comprehension and compilation (Italy, Czech Republic, Hungary).

Chronoprogramme:

- By the end of this should conclude this first phase, dead line 28 September 2024 (first 5 countries).
- By 20 October, processing of questionnaires from the professions in the countries involved
- By October 31, distribution of questionnaires to institutions begins.
- By November 30 compilation of questionnaire 2
- From 1/ December 31, 2024 processing

We are confident that the survey can be extended to all other EADMT member countries, this first phase is proving to be very positive and interesting, and technical difficulties we had at the beginning are being overcome.

So a warm invitation to all delegates present at the GA to contact us and start the survey also in their own country, all our WG is available during the next days for any information or questions. The invitation is also extended to attend the SPRWG meeting!

Timetable:

- Delegates test the form and send written feedback before Oct 2nd. Also its possible to give feedback in our WG meeting on Sunday 8th after GA - we need a good minute taking person!);
- At GA we present the survey project to all delegates
- Receiving Responsible Person info before Oct 20th
- Meeting with all responsible persons on 27th at 20:00 or 29th at 11:00
- Receive translations before Nov 20th
- Send the 1st invitation for filling the questionnaire in the end of November (minimum).

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EADMT SPRWG Coordinator

Please important:

Here is a presentation of the survey, which you have already received, but it may be useful to have it in your sights.

What is this survey about?

We aim to map as many European Institutions as possible (including psychiatric and medical hospitals, schools, asylums, psychosocial rehabilitation centers, etc.) that employ recognized Dance Movement but also private professional practices.

This important data will provide EADMT network and each member association an overview of local and European field of dance movement therapy. We believe that each member association can benefit from the collected data. To measure is to know. Concrete data is informative and very useful in the light of visibility for our beautiful profession and can be used for various purposes related to professional recognition processes.

Firstly, by joining the data we design a powerful tool to facilitate the process of state recognition. After all, a document that lists DMT positions in a variety of settings, demonstrates its value and significance within social and mental health care. Secondly, the same tool will enhance one's personal search for an internship or job position, locally or abroad.

Who can fill the questionnaire?

The questionnaire refers to places where DMT practice (public or private institutions, health, social, cultural, schools, private practice-cabinets) is offered by a registered dance movement therapist. The DMT practitioner may be in contact with an institution or place of practice with different status or working relationships:

- full-time employee
- part-time employee
- freelance

The relationship with these places or institutions may vary in duration and frequency, but to be part of our survey, there must be a regularity of relationship:

- it may therefore be a stable relationship throughout the year, or it may involve different moments during the year (e.g., interventions carried out during a certain number of weekends or only in certain months, but with a certain regularity over the years).

If the DMT practitioner operates in several institutions, locations, spaces he/she should fill out several forms for each practice location, including his/her personal practice if he/she has one.

How will the questionnaire be disseminated?

Each EADMT member, through its Board, will be able to join this project by appointing a National Research Officer for this Survey, who can be the EADMT delegate her/him, deputy or another professional, by notifying the EADMT SPRWG Coordinator.

It will be the responsibility of this person to arrange for the questionnaire to be sent out to all registered DMT professionals, together with an accompanying letter with instructions for completion, the link to the Google form for online completion, and the deadline for completion..

The national responsible (National Research Officer) gives her/his availability to provide further information and support to DMTs in his country in close contact with the EADMT SPRWG

How will the questionnaire be processed?

The SPRWG will take care of the processing of the data both at the global European level and per individual country and will therefore be able to provide this processing, which will be useful for mapping the places of practice in an individual country and some data on the working reality of DMTs professionals

As illustrated above, survey uses 2 questionnaires:

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We thank you in advance for your support and cooperation, and we are available for any further information.

We need your help for develop and complete our survey!

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As a courtesy, it would be important to officially receive the name of the chosen person from the National Board, and his/her contact details by to start the survey in your country.