EMTC NEWSLETTER

Dear EMTC Country Representatives,

In a very short time we shall all be meeting in Vienna for our General Assembly. In preparation for our meetings together, there are several text files you need to read and to bring with you to Vienna. The first attachment is the agenda for the General Assembly. Secondly, you will find four attachments that include applications for hosting the GA 2017 and the European Music Therapy conference 2019, and a proposal for the new core board of the EMTC (we guess you are very curious and excited to read these attachments!).

At the General Assembly each country will have two minutes’ time for giving brief country news. Please make sure that the full country information is updated at the website before the meeting: http://emtc-eu.com/country-reports/

European Music Therapy Conference 2016
We find it highly encouraging that it is possible to gather 600 participants in Vienna for the European Music Therapy Conference. This is the largest European music therapy conference to date and we are amazed about the inspiring programme. As you may have noticed, there will be a special EMTC Dialogue Session on Saturday where we will celebrate 25 years of collaborative work on developing the music therapy profession in Europe.

Training courses in Europe
We have realized that the information about training courses in Europe is not up to date for all countries at the EMTC website. Please check if the information for your country at http://emtc-eu.com/archive/ is in accordance with the country report written in Approaches 7(1) and with more recent changes, and mail us the correct information.

New country representatives
Marianne Wiltgen-Sanavia has announced to the board that her mandate as country representative for Luxembourg will finish after the GA-2016, where she will represent Luxembourg for the last time. Marianne has been active in the EMTC for many years and has contributed to the work in the EMTC with warmth and wisdom always in a collaborative spirit. At the General Assembly in Luxembourg 2014 we saw the fruit of her organizational skills where all details were cared for. We are grateful for the dedication Marianne has shown to the EMTC throughout the years! Marianne will be replaced as a country representative by Laurence Reuter. Laurence Reuter has a PhD in psychology and a Master degree in music therapy (UDK Berlin). She is presently involved in a psychotherapy training program and working part time as a music therapist in Germany. Laurence has been the treasurer of the Luxembourg association for some years and is a very active member of the board. She will be present at the GA in Vienna in order to make the transition easier.
Teresa Leite has announced to the board that in the Portuguese Music Therapy Association there has been a very energizing and gratifying process of succession, with a new board giving new life to the association. This happens in close collaboration with Teresa who has done an admirable job and enormous work during the years to build up the music therapy profession in Portugal. Teresa has been active in the EMTC since the very beginning and in the past also served as vice-president. We are grateful for the dedication Teresa has shown to the EMTC throughout the years and the constructive and insightful way she has contributed to building up the EMTC. Teresa is replaced as country representative by Rita Maia who is highly active in the Portuguese Music Therapy Association. She will be present at the GA in Vienna.

Nicole Duperret has announced to the board that her term as country representative for France is ending. Nicole has been active in the EMTC since 2010 and has done an impressive work in representing French music therapy in the EMTC, and we are very grateful for the compassion, hard work and commitment she has shown in her work. Nicole is replaced by Stéphanie Lefebvre who has been working as a music therapist in the field of dementia and gerontology as well as in the specific field of NICU with premature babies. She will be present at the GA in Vienna.

We are happy to welcome the three new country representatives from Luxembourg, Portugal and France: Laurence Reuter, Rita Maia and Stéphanie Lefebvre.

24 newsletters
This is the very last newsletter from this EMTC core board since our first newsletter in October 2010. All newsletters have been available at the EMTC website so our communication was open to all member associations, music therapists and interested, and with an open invitation to share information through this channel. At the conference in Vienna we will celebrate 25 years of the EMTC. Until we see you in Vienna, we will thank you now for the opportunity to work with you along the way and to share with you our dedication to promote the development of professional music therapy practice in Europe, and to foster exchange and collaboration.

Warmly,
Hanne Mette, Adrienne, and Ferdinando