The Role of the EFPP Delegate

The overall task of the delegates is to embody the ethos of the EFPP and to promote the aims and purposes of the EFPP within their own national networks.

The EFPP delegate has a dual representative role. He/she is a representative of his/her own country and section (Adult, Child and adolescent, Group, or Couple and Family) and he/she is the official representative of that particular section of the EFPP.

The delegates are the vital link. The first task is to represent and connect their national networks of psychoanalytic psychotherapy organizations to the EFPP and the other European national networks within their section; the reciprocal task is to represent the aims and ideas of EFPP to their sections and organisations in their own countries.

These tasks require:

1. the delegate should attend the bi-annual delegates meeting.

2. the delegate should report back to his her national network.

3. the delegate is the link person for mail, and circulation of electronic notices to their network. The delegate must equip him/herself with a password to log in to the delegates area of the EFPP web site. The delegate MUST at all times provide valid contact information in his/her profile within the delegates area of the EFPP website, especially a valid email address. You can receive a username and password online if you visit efpp.org There you click on the link to the delegates area and you will find the facility for contacting the webpeople.

4. the delegate is the contact person for the EFPP Treasurer and the administrative and financial secretaries. The delegate has the responsibility to see that the annual subscription fees are paid and that membership numbers are up to date. The delegate must inform the Hon Treasurer and the administrative secretary of the name of his/her national organisation or network and the name and email of the financial administrator of their national organisation who will be responsible for paying the invoice for the annual subscription.

5. the delegate should notify the EFPP administrative secretary, the webpeople and their section coordinator of all changes in representatives in their network, particularly when delegates step down and are replaced.
6. The delegate is asked to encourage participation at conferences, workshops, and other activities of the EFPP and the promotion of the EFPP Clinical Series Books and the e-journal. The delegate must circulate the fliers concerning conferences and other workshops to the members of their national networks.

7. The delegate should inform their networks about information on the website and should encourage the use of this as an on-line professional publication and discussion forum.

8. The delegate should keep section coordinators informed about developments in the provision of psychoanalytic psychotherapy in their countries.

9. The delegate should support and encourage the implementation in his/her country of the minimum training standards that are agreed and decided by his/her section and described in the bylaws.

What is required of the National Network

1. Appointment of delegates, who have attained the minimal standards of qualification in psychotherapy for that section.

2. A commitment to pay the annual membership subscription of the EFPP and additional financial support for the delegates to attend the bi-annual delegates meeting.

3. Administrative support for the delegates to circulate and notify networks about the activities of the EFPP.