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XII ECPD INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST SCHOOL LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS IN PREVENTION, THERAPY AND REHABILITATION OF ADDICTIVE DISEASES with the main topic

MASS TRAUMATISM (COVID-19 PANDEMIC) AND ADDICTIVE DISEASES

(Belgrade, 3 – 5 December 2020)

The European Center for Peace and Development UN University for Peace organizes this School with the aim to direct the focus to all modalities and aspects of youth addiction, as well as to bring together experts from various fields – physicians, social workers, special pedagogues, psychologists, lawyers, and other professionals, who will enable a more extensive exchange of experience as well as provide the latest knowledge, practical and scientific achievements in the area of **prevention, treatment and integral rehabilitation of addictive diseases**.

Director of the School is **Prof. Dr. Slavica Đukić Dejanović**, Minister in the Government of the Republic of Serbia and Professor of the ECPD UN University for Peace. **Co-directors** of the School are **Prof. Dr. Zoran Zoričić**, Clinical Hospital Center "Sisters of Mercy" Zagreb, President of the Croatian Society for Alcoholism and Other Addictions and **Prof. Dr. Petar Nastasić**, Professor of the ECPD UN University for Peace.

The school is internationally and nationally accredited (by the Health Council of Serbia, the School is accredited with 12 points for lecturers and 6 points for participants - The accreditation number of the School is A-1-1254 / 19).

Contemporary addictions are no longer manifested only as the excessive use of alcohol and other psychoactive substances (opiates, hallucinogens, stimulants ...). In the era of postmodernism, they still have epidemiological rates, but nowadays emerge so-called non-chemical addictions (pathological gambling, dependence on video games, the Internet and social networks, shopping...). Unfortunately, this change has not led to a reduction in the the so-called chemical addictions. Research shows that not only are some of them increasing in number but an increase in mortality associated with alcohol addictions is registered. Likewise, social and psychological consequences to family members, social status of families, especially children are more pronounced. In relation to addictive diseases, there is significant growth of social deviation, domestic violence, general crime, prostitution, and human trafficking.

It has to be said that contemporary addictions represent the greatest challenge globally in **(re) defining cause, prevention, treatment and recovery**. All addictions are primarily complex diseases of the central nervous system, but with specific behavioral determinants and psychological and social consequences. So these are the underlying diseases of disruptive behavior and all addictions have the characteristics of learned behavior. **Their formation is based on the processes of emotional and social learning, and has a very complex neurobiochemical basis** (verified by the findings of affective neuroscience).

It was this year that the challenge became extremely difficult. The massive trauma expressed through the consequences of the COVID 19 virus pandemic has brought new challenges, both to society as a whole and to the psychiatric and addiction professions. Many prevention, treatment and rehabilitation programs have been temporarily reduced or delayed. At the same time, the generated stress emphasized the recurrence of behavior and taking resources in one part of the addicted population, and a part of the wider population used psychoactive means to reduce stress, risking the development of addiction. The uncertainty of the further outcome of the pandemic poses challenges to the profession to better redefine the framework of treatment in crisis conditions, as well as the adoption of treatment for comorbid disorders.

According to its good tradition of the School, the emphasis will continue to be on the New Paradigm of Recovery, not only the diagnosis and medical treatment of addiction diseases. According to the postulates of the New Paradigm, the goal of addiction treatment is not simply to "abort" or "reduce" the use of psychoactive substances or to discontinue gambling and internet use. This is actually achieved successfully and relatively quickly by a formal medical episode according to the medical model. Accordingly, the New Paradigm insists on the establishment of treatment and its implementation, similar to the treatment of other chronic diseases, advocating long-term management of addiction treatment. In addition to solidarity with a sick member of the community, changes are expected in the family and in the community regarding the causes and consequences of the addiction disease.

This brings us to the place and space where the addiction was developed and maintained - into the ecosystem, into the social community and into the family. Where the problem originated, there is a cause and a cure, and hence - prevention and treatment and recovery. **Considerations of social ecosystems will now be deepened by an understanding of the pandemic environment and global impacts on the prevention and treatment of chemical and non-chemical addictions**.

Program

Program of the School includes the following main topics:

- (I) Mass traumatism (COVID-19 PANDEMIC) and addictive diseases
- (II) Can addictology be better after the COVID Pandemic experience
- (III) Alcoholism old or new pandemic
- (IV) Addictology do we all deserve better and more
- (V) The relationship between family and community in addiction
- (VI) The relationship between the family as a system and the neurobiochemistry of emotionality in addictions
- (VII) Modern psycho-pharmacological therapy of addiction at the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic
- (VIII) Social and professional identity of addictologist
- (IX) Non-institutional treatment of addictive diseases
- (X) Online interventions in the age of COVID
- (XI) The importance of treatment and recovery of addicts for society
- (XII) What is obtained by Harm reduction programs
- (XIII) Adaptation of harm-reduction programs during the COVID pandemic 19
- (XIV) Potentials and possibilities of medical sociology for the problem of addiction
- (XV) The importance of connecting social protection and public health in the local community

Lecturers

- **Prof. Dr. Slavica Đukić Dejanović**, Minister in the Government of the Republic of Serbia and Professor of the ECPD UN University for Peace, Belgrade
- **Prof. Dr. Zoran Zoričić**, Director of the Croatian Society for Alcoholism and Other Addictions, President of Croatian Association of Clubs of Treated Alcoholics, Zagreb
- **Prof. Dr. Petar Nastasić**, Professor of the ECPD UN University for Peace, Belgrade
- Prof. Dr. Luca Rosi, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome, Italy
- Prof. Dr. Andrej Kastelic, University Psychiatric Clinic Ljubljana, Slovenia
- **Prof. Dr. Mila Goldner Vukov**, Member of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists
- **Prim. Dr. Mira Kovačević**, Director of the Special Hospital for Addictive Diseases, Belgrade, President of the National Committee for Prevention and Control of Addictive Diseases of the Republic of Serbia
- Dr. Miloš Stojanović, Director of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime in Serbia
- **Prof. Dr. Nermana Mehić Basara**, Director of the Institute for Addiction Diseases, Sarajevo, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Prof. Dr. Zdenka Čebašek-Travnik, President, Medical Chamber of Slovenia
- **Prof. Dr. Nikša Dubreta**, Chair of Department of Sociology, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture, University of Zagreb
- **Prof. Dr. Nera Zivlak Radulović**, Head of Psychiatric Clinic, University Clinical Centre of the Republic of Srpska
- Prof. Dr. Srđan Milovanović, Clinical Center of Serbia, University Psychiatry Clinic
- Prof. Dr. Ante Bagarić, Psychiatric "Hospital Vrapče", Zagreb
- Prim. Dr. Ante Orešković, Psychiatric Hospital "St. Ivan Jankomir", Zagreb
- Prof. Dr. Olivera Vuković, Institute of Mental Health, Belgrade
- Prof. Dr. Erik Brezovec, sociologist, Croatian Studies, Zagreb
- **Dr. sc. med. Siniša Zovko**, Croatian Red Cross, Head of Department of Addiction Prevention and Harm Reduction Programs

Certificate

School participants that have successfully completed the School program will obtain an internationally accredited **Certificate of the European Center for Peace and Development of the University for Peace established by the United Nations**.

Application Form and Registration Fee

Registration fee for participation in the School is 350 EUR.

Application should be sent by **15 November 2020** to: European Center for Peace and Development UN University for Peace, Terazije 41, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia; Fax: +381 11 3240 673, +381 11 3234 082; E-mail: ecpd@Eunet.rs and office@ecpd.org.rs; www.ecpd.org.rs

Looking forward to your application and seeing you at the School, we remain,

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ECPD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (Prof. Dr. Negoslav Ostojić)



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APPLICATION FORM

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| 2. Educational background | | |
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| 4. Organization (name, address, phone, fax) | | |
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