



ASSOCIATION OF  
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS OF SLOVENIA  
INVITES YOU TO:

XI. CONGRESS WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION

# CONFRONTING LOSS AND GRIEF

MARCH 27 & 28, 2020 | FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

## ➤ PROGRAM

### **PLENARY LECTURE FRIDAY, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**dr. Vesna Radonjič Miholič, spec. Clinical psychology, with years of experience working in University Rehabilitation Institute, Republic of Slovenia - Soča.**

### **PLENARY LECTURE SATURDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**Joanna Hewitt Evans, MA MA, UKCP Gestalt Therapist, EAIP Integrative Psychotherapist, Supervisor and Trainer, works in private practice in UK and is a visiting trainer in several countries across Europe. She is particularly fond of Slovenia, where she has been a visiting trainer for IPSA for many years**

“My late husband was Ken Evans, former president of the European Association for Psychotherapy. Amongst other publications he was the author of ‘Living with Dying’, his experience of losing his first wife, to cancer and the process of their parting. Everyone I had ever lost had died very suddenly, my father, my stepfather a boyfriend, a friend - no goodbyes. I lived in fear of Ken dying this way too. And in 2015 he did - suddenly and unexpectedly.

Since then I have learned a lot about the interplay between loss, grief and trauma, particularly the impact on the body and the autonomic nervous system. I have experienced the revisiting of early attachment patterns, the complications of transference and unconscious processes. And most importantly I discovered through acceptance of vulnerability and compassion, a deeper resilience, a deeper connection to myself and others. Finally I am no longer afraid of the future.

This lecture will be a personal exploration of 'Living with Death' or 'Living with Loss', in which I hope to share some of my experience and what it has helped me learn. I also want to invite you to explore and share your experiences of loss.

Together, through compassion and connection, we develop resilience and can grow.”

### **PRESENTATIONS, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**

The presentations will take place in sections. Short sections offer a chance for authors to present their work to their colleges. They offer participants to widen their knowledge on certain fields of study. In between breaks and through lunch time for socializing will be provided.

### **ASSEMBLY OF THE ASSOCIATION, SATURDAY**

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#### ➤ **CONGRESS REGISTRATION**

Registration here: [Participants registration](#).

**Authors must also register!**

Upon registration, apply your name, as you wish to have it written on the certificate of attendance.

#### ➤ **REGISTRATION FEE**

**Registration fee for the congress is unified**, whether you are going to be present one or two days. **Registration fee is not refundable**. In the event of your absence and with a timely notice, it is possible for another participant to attend the congress in your name.

Please make the payment of registration fee at **TRR SI56 3300-0000-2502-979**.

#### **Data for the transfer:**

Združenje zakonskih in družinskih terapevtov Slovenije  
Ulica bratov Učakar 50  
1000 Ljubljana

**PURPOSE: 11K** your **name** and **surname** (example: 10K Mary Honnald) – we reserve the right to not include you to the list of participants due to lack of required information.

**PURPOSE when paying the registration fee and yearly membership fee: ČK** and **name** and **surname** (example: ČK Mary Honnald) - we reserve the right to not include you on the list of participants due to lack of the information about the name and surname.

**REFERENCE:**

-  In case of payment via electronic banking, you can check the box with **NRC**
-  Or write the date of **the payment**.

If you need the bill for the company or any other information regarding payment please contact Zarja Klun at: [blagajnik@zdt.si](mailto:blagajnik@zdt.si)

If you would like to become a member, please send an email with your request to [info@zdt.si](mailto:info@zdt.si)

**Registration fee until January 31<sup>st</sup> 2020 (early bird)**

Members and sympathizers with a payed membership fee for 2020	<b>70€</b>
Students ZDŠ and ZDT**	<b>50€</b>
Members with unpaid membership fee for the year 2020	<b>110€ = 70€ + 40€ (membership)</b>
Sympathizers with unpaid membership fee for 2020*	<b>100€ = 70€ + 30€ (membership)</b>
Students, unemployed	<b>60€</b>
Outsider participants	<b>140€</b>
Plenary lecture	<b>60€</b>

\* Payment: as PURPOSE write: ČK and name and surname (example: ČK Mary Honnald)

\*\* the prices apply for Family and Marital studies students (ZDŠ) and Marital and Family therapy students (ZDT) with a valid student status, students need to submit their valid students cards or a valid student list on the day of registration.

**Registration fee from February 1<sup>st</sup> until March 20<sup>nd</sup> 2020**

Members and sympathizers with a settled membership fee for 2020	<b>90€</b>
Students ZDŠ and ZDT**	<b>50€</b>
Members with unpaid membership fee for the year 2020	<b>130€ = 90€ + 40€ (membership)</b>
Sympathizers with unpaid membership fee for the year 2020*	<b>120€ = 90€ + 30€ (membership)</b>
Students, unemployed	<b>80€</b>
Outsider participants	<b>160€</b>
Plenary lecture	<b>70€</b>

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Online registrations and payments are possible until **March 20<sup>nd</sup>, midnight.**

**After this date, the registration fee is 200 € with payment receipt upon arrival.**

Registration fee includes lunch (Saturday) and snacks (Friday and Saturday).

➤ **CALL FOR SUBMISSION**

We invite you to send a submission on the topic: **“CONFRONTING LOSS AND GRIEF”**.

*“The topic of this year's Congress of The Association of Marriage and Family Therapists Slovenia is ‘loss’. With the words loss and mourning we first think of death, of passing away. But we feel loss and we grieve on many other occasions: when we have to deal with the effects of illness; with disability, trauma or guilt following a serious car accident; on infertility, loneliness and many other problems that life can bring. Separation from a partner can also be a kind of loss; of the previous relationship and a subsequent building of new relationships in its place, the loss of the ideal of eternal love and, ultimately, the loss of the feeling security in a relationship. For many people who have not had a happy childhood there is loss in the painful realization of losing hope in their parents’ ability of giving confirmation and love they crave and deserve. Loss is a part of life and facing it always presents a unique challenge, which we often grapple with in the therapeutic process.”*

President of the scientific committee  
Barbara Kreš, PhD

**EXTENDED DEADLINE UNTIL 14<sup>TH</sup> of FEBRUARY 2020.** Submit your abstract via [link](#).

Submission and registration after the required date will not be possible. Any changes or re-submissions are possible up to the submissions deadline. Your last entry will be taken into account.

Members of the scientific committee will make their final announcement of the acceptance of submitted works until **February 14<sup>th</sup> 2020**. The authors will be notified of any possible corrections during this time.

For further information about submissions, please contact the president of the scientific committee Barbara Kreš PhD via email: [znanstveni.odbor@zdt.si](mailto:znanstveni.odbor@zdt.si).

Book of abstracts will be published and accessible in electronic form.

## ➤ INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF SUBMISSIONS

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- We accept scientific and professional submissions. When preparing the submission clearly define the content area (clinical work, theory, research, workshop description...), which should refer to the congress theme.
- The abstract should be 250 to 350 words long.
- Two authors can present one contribution. Each author can present maximum of two contributions as an author or a co-author.
- The presentations are 20 minutes long, additional 10 minutes will be available for discussion (together 30 minutes).
- Workshops should last maximum of 60 minutes.
- Active participants can publish a scientific or professional article in the conference proceedings. The article should be no more than 30,000 characters with spaces. The method of quoting and quoting sources should be in the APA style. Font type Times New Roman 12.

Articles will be published after the congress.

### ➤ SCIENTIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS

The abstract has to include theoretical background, research results, conclusions and limitations. It has to be written in passive tense and it must contain up to five key words.

### ➤ PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

- The abstract has to include field of work, theme of the discussion, content and findings. It has to be written in passive tense and it must contain up to five key words.
- The abstract of an article or a workshop should include the purpose of the article, its objectives, connection to the congresses topic, its benefits for the participants and/or evaluation. It is preferable that a professional contribution includes a practical presentation of the subject area in the form of a case study.

### CRITERIA FOR ASSESSMENT OF SUITABILITY

- All submissions will be reviewed by our scientific committee, which will take into account the following criteria: the importance of the theme for the participants, its connection to

the congresses topic, suitable theoretical background, content quality (results, conclusions).

- If the summary will not be in accordance with the instructions, the author will be asked for corrections. Only contributions send in time will be accepted.

### ➤ SCIENTIFIC AND ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

#### SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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We are looking forward to meeting you!



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