



## EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSORS EMERITI

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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**Dear Colleagues and Friends,**

This is my monthly communication with you.

The international political and socio-economic situation does not promote well-being of humans in this world. Yet, there is always hope that good will, maturity, wisdom and resilience will prevail in order to control and prevent at least human-made disasters. We can do little for natural disasters produced by climate change but we can do a lot to reduce human-made disasters, like wars.

Concerning our micrography of the world, the world of Emeriti Professors, I have some very good news for you indicating that the EAPE is moving forward with quick steps.

#### **THE SECTIONS**

The program for the Sections' monthly seminars and webinars has been finalized and has been uploaded on our website, as well as it has been included in the last issue of the EAPE Bulletin, which you can also see online through EAPE website.

#### **SEMINAR IN BUCHAREST**

This month (29th to 30th November 2024) we will have a seminar of the section on Prevention and Health Promotion to be held in Bucharest, Romania, expertly organized by Prof. George-Andrei Dan, member of the Board and Editor of the EAPE Bulletin.

Former EAPE President Prof. Dennis Cokkinos and me, George Christodoulou, as well as distinguished experts from Romania will participate as speakers.

Further information will be provided by the organizers.

Many thanks to Prof. George-Andrei Dan for organizing this important event.

#### **ETHICS SECTION**

Next month (3rd December 2024) the Ethics Section, under the guidance of Prof. Luigi Campanella will organize a webinar on "Equality, Diversity and Inclusion".

Prof. Luigi Campanella, Prof. Nikos Markatos, Prof. Sir Leslie Ebdon and Professor Yeghis Kaheyian will be the speakers and I will say a few introductory words focusing on inclusion.

Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/kns-smcf-zjr>

#### **DONATION BY THE LILYAN VOUDOURI FOUNDATION**

I am happy to inform you that the Lilyan Voudouri Foundation in Athens has kindly agreed to provide the EAPE with a donation to promote the work of the Sections (more specifically to fund provision of technical support for the sections' webinars).

I am grateful to the President Ms Irene Kairi and the Secretary-General Ms Irene Markoulaki who have accepted my request to provide assistance for the implementation of our action plan for sections.

### **HIPPOCRATIC WEEK**

The EAPE has been appointed Collaborating organization in this important event (13-21 October 2024, Island of Kos, the birthplace of Hippocrates) to which Dennis Kokkinos and George Christodoulou were invited to participate. I had the opportunity to highlight the importance of the teachings of Hippocrates with reference to prevention.

Our new member Prof. Nikos Papantoniou was the chairman of the event.

### **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TOBACCO CONTROL**

The EAPE participated as a Collaborating organization in this important event (22 October 2024). Our member Prof. Panagiotis Behrakis was the main speaker. Dennis Cokkinos and George Christodoulou addressed the audience at the Opening.

### **NEW SECTIONS**

The Board has decided (during its meeting on the 30th October 2024) to establish two more sections, namely the Section on "The elderly in our society" and the section on "Education reform". The establishment of a "Section on Auxology" (growth) has also been discussed but its official presentation is pending. We already have expressions of interest from colleagues who want to join the two approved sections and soon we will have elections of officers.

Should you want to join either or both of these sections, please write to me ([profchristodoulou@gmail.com](mailto:profchristodoulou@gmail.com)).

### **THE EAPE CONFERENCE IN NAPLES**

Prof. Giancarlo Bracale, the EAPE President-elect, has informed us that the dates of this important EAPE conference will be 27th to 29th May 2025.

The impressive social Program has been announced and soon we will have the full scientific program as well.

Many thanks to Prof. Bracale and to the rest of our Italian colleagues for organizing this important event.

I would like to invite all of you to come to Naples and not only attend the scientific activities but also enjoy the warm local hospitality.

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(for logistic information).

This is all for now. Please remember to recruit at least one new member. This is important for the survival and further development of our Association. We are trying to make EAPE a living and active ("kicking") organization. Help us to perform this "kicking" properly.

With warmest personal regards,

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