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FROM THE GENERAL EDITOR

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Dear Presidents, dear colleagues,

With pleasure we wish to inform you about the new initiative of the EPF Executive.

As we already mentioned at our autumn Council meeting, we have been considering the condition of our website, familiar as it is to all of us but in a need of our enhanced attention. Namely, the penultimate (and current) websites, which all the actual technology comes from, was made 16 years ago, in 2005. The current website was facelifted 8 years ago, changing its look but keeping the same technology and operating data which runs it. We also received indications from the website administrator that the website's software will be obsolete within one or two years and will become vulnerable (security-wise) and unreliable, with the advice that the EPF starts working on a new website, suitable for the next 10 years.

We formed an EPF website consultative team consisting of Jasminka Šuljagić, the EPF General editor, Andrea Gaddini, the EPF Treasurer, François Dispaux, the EPF website administrator, and Neven Popović, an associate of the EPF in a visual and online media consultancy. Within this team and with the EPF Executive, different options and possibilities regarding the EPF website have been discussed. The joint conclusion was that the current website is an important archive and a testimony to the development of psychoanalysis in Europe. The new EPF website should preserve that quality and also be a valuable tool in the enhancement of our scientific exchanges and our communication.

We wish to share with you our joy in building new aspects and new possibilities in this joint resource, which will be formed in accordance with our needs. Concerning that, we kindly ask you to spread this information within your society, using the link to the questionnaire we have prepared: <u>https://forms.gle/bvZXV4zr8JKKdjY36</u>

Please also appoint a colleague to be a website/online media representative on behalf of your society. It could be the person in charge of your society website (content administrator/publishing editor), or secretary of your society, or you as President, or whoever you find the most suitable. Please send us the name and email address of that representative colleague, to participate in the two-way communication between the content of the EPF website and the websites of your societies.

We will continue to follow this project in our dialogue via emails, during our next online Council meeting, and hopefully in meeting in person in November.

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