



# Social Work International Conference (SWIC)

"ENVISIONING SUSTAINABLE SOCIAL WORK:  
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS"

NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, BUCHAREST

## Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016

### 9.00-10.45 **PARALLEL WORKSHOPS:**

1. *Clinical assessment and intervention for children with a history of abuse: an unifying experiential psychotherapy approach*

**Gabriela Marc**, SPER Institute (**IN RO LANGUAGE**) – Room 004 (Ground floor)

2. *Caring for children left behind by working with/in their communities*

**Alina-Crenguța Dumitru**, Terre des Hommes, Romania (**IN RO LANGUAGE**)

– Room FOCUS (Ground floor)

### 10.45-11.15 **BREAK**

### 11.15-13.00 **PARALLEL WORKSHOPS:**

3. *Using arts to depict the phenomenology of social experience in social work practice, teaching and research*

**Ephrat Huss**, Israel (**IN EN LANGUAGE**) – Room FOCUS (Ground floor)

4. *Protection of domestic abuse victims. Experiences from specialists' practice,*

**ANAIS Association**, Romania (**IN RO LANGUAGE**) – Room 004 (Ground floor)

### 13.00-14.00 **RECEPTION AND REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

### 13.00-14.00 **EXHIBITIONS** [open all conference long]

- Butterflies as a symbol of transformation, by **ANAIS Association**
- Photo Exhibition: No Direction Home, by **Iulian Ignat**
- Jewellery Exhibition, by **LouBijoux**

### 13.00-14.00 **COFFEE BREAK**



**14.00- 15.00 THE OFFICIAL CONFERENCE OPENING CEREMONY** [plenum, amphitheatre]

**Prof. Marian Preda, Ph.D.,** *President of the Senate, University of Bucharest*  
*President of the SWIC-UB 2016 Conference*

**Prof. Romiță Iucu, Ph.D.,** *Interim Rector, University of Bucharest*

**Mr. Dragoș Pîslaru, Ph.D.,** *Minister of Labour, Family, Social Protection and Elderly*

**Prof. Doru Buzducea, Ph.D.,** *Dean, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest*

**Assoc. Prof. Adrian Dan, Ph.D.,** *Head of Social Work Department, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest*  
*President of the Organizing Committee of SWIC-UB 2016 Conference*

**ARTISTIC MOMENT!!!**

**15.00-16.00 PUBLIC LECTURE** [plenum, amphitheatre 103]

**Dr. Rory Truell – International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) Secretary-General**  
**“International Trends and Developments in the Social work Profession”**

**16.00-16.30 COFFEE BREAK**

**16.30-18.00 PAPER PRESENTATION** [parallel sessions]

**SESSION 1**

**Social work and social development**

<b>16.30-18.00</b>	Room amphitheatre 103, ground floor	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>
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Chair: **Ephrat Huss**

- Using arts based methods to co-create knowledge for building sustainable community rehabilitation after natural and man- made disasters**  
**Ephrat Huss, Roni Kaufman, Amos Avgar,** *Ben-Gurion University, Negev, Israel*
- Romania: homelessness prevention in the context of evictions**  
**Adrian-Nicolae Dan,** *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*
- Child poverty and vulnerabilities in Romania – main drivers and opportunities for intervention**  
**Cosmin Briciu,** *Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy of Sciences; Romania*
- The Need of Investment in Human Capital – A Key to Increase Quality of Life in Marginalized Rural Areas**  
**Gabriela Motoi,** *University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania*
- Immigrants into the Labour Market in Romania**  
**Smaranda Witec,** *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*



## Human rights and vulnerable groups 1

**16.30-18.00**

Room – *Computer lab, ground floor*

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Chair: **Roxana Turcu**

**1. Oncology Social Work in Romania**

**Csaba László Dégi**, *Babeş-Bolyai University, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work*

**2. The Best Interests of Separation Children**

**Jan Piet H. de Man**, *European Institute for the Best Interests of the Child, Belgium*

**3. The subjective perception of human rights by a vulnerable and marginalized group: inmates and ex-prisoners**

**Elena Pîtiu**, *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Romania*

**4. The Place of Environment in Social Work. A case study of Social Workers working with Refugees**

**Roxana Turcu**, *University of Lincoln, UK*

**5. Being transgender in Romania - Between discrimination, family acceptance and social integration**

**Sorina Daniela Dumitrache**, *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*

**Film projection: Pieptiş/ Abreast**, followed by a Q&A session

Patrick Brăila, TRANSform Association

## Social work with adults and the elderly 1

**16.30-18.00**

Room – *Council Room, ground floor*

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Chair: **Linda Bell**

**1. Mental Health Treatment Preferences among Israeli Postpartum Mothers**

**Meital Simhi, Orly Sarid, Julie Cwikel**, *Spitzer Department of Social Work; Center for Women's Health Studies and Promotion, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel*

**2. Investigating the preparedness of social protection system for Romanian elderly – a systematic literature review on socio-medical services**

**Theodora Ene**, *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work*

**3. Gerontagogy and wisdom in the context of Lifelong learning**

**André Lemieux**, *Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada,*  
**Mihaela-Viorica Ruşitoru**, *University of Strasbourg, France*

**4. Mothers apart: working with birth mothers who have had children successively and permanently removed from their care**

**Linda Bell\***, **Sarah Lewis-Brooke\***, **Rachel Herring\***, **Sioban O'Farrell-Pearce\***,  
**Theresa So\*** **Lynne Lehane+**, **Karen Quinn+** *\*Middlesex University, London, UK; + London Borough of Tower Hamlets*

**5. Elderly adaptability in residential centers of Arad**

**Alina Maria Breaz** *Aurel Vlaicu University, Arad, Romania*

**18.30-20.00 WELCOME PARTY** [Panduri 90 building premises/ ground floor / Social Club]



## Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

### 9.00-10.45 PAPER PRESENTATION SESSION 2

#### Human rights and vulnerable groups 2

9.00-10.45

Room Amphitheatre103, ground floor

November 4<sup>th</sup>

Chair: *Livius Manea*

- 1. In and out informality: how to tackle invisibility, marginalization and vulnerability**  
*Adriana Davidescu, Cristina Mocanu, National Scientific Research Institute for Labour and Social Protection – INCSMPS*
- 2. The Persons with Disabilities' Access to levels of high school, vocational school, post-secondary and higher education**  
*Livius Manea, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work*
- 3. Resources and empowerment after prison**  
*Lucian Rotariu, University of Bucharest/ Faculty of Sociology and Social Work/ Centre of Research and Innovation in Social Services*
- 4. Right-based approach as a form of action to work with refugee children**  
*Natalia Fernandes, Mohammad Reza Alipour, University of Minho, Portugal*
- 5. Vocational education and training (VET) in time of changing: ways for improvement based on an extensive qualitative study**  
*Cristina Faludi, Maria-Carmen Pantea, Alina-Petronela Silian, Ovidiu Oltean, Anotolie Coşciug, Babes-Bolyai University/ Department of Sociology and Social Work*

#### Social work with children and youth 1

9.00-10.45

Room Computer Lab, ground floor

November 4<sup>th</sup>

Chair: *Carles Vila Mumbú*

- 1. Early school leavers, skills and labour market in Romania**  
*Cristina Mocanu, Ana Maria Zamfir, National Scientific Research Institute for Labour and Social Protection (INCSMPS)*
- 2. There are viable alternatives to the institutionalization of children? Abandoned children of Romania-where to?**  
*Scorcia (Popescu) Rebeca, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Romania*
- 3. Attitudes of young People with Physical Disabilities towards Work Preferences**  
*Limor Gadot, The Charlotte B. & Jack J. Spitzer Department of Social Work, Ben Gurion University, Israel*
- 4. Good practices in social work with children left behind**  
*George Roman, Leonard Andreescu, Anca Stamin, Save the Children Organisation, Romania*



5. **Design of participatory budgeting in youth in a Catalan village with a population of 6K**  
*Carles Vila Mumbrú, Theory and History of the Education Department (THE),  
University of Barcelona, Spain*
6. **Conflicts in social work**  
*Mihaela Popa, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work,  
Department of Social Work, Romania*

Social work practice and profession 1		
9.00-10.45	Room Council room, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>

Chair: *Darren Hill*

1. **Managing the current and future contextual turbulence**  
*Claudia Constantinescu, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social  
Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*
2. **Social work practice with beggars and vagrants in Romania**  
*Cristina Ilie-Goga, University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania*
3. **Strengthening and Enhancing Social Work at the Community Level**  
*Ana Rădulescu, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work,  
Department of Social Work, Romania*
4. **The phenomenon of violence against women in Roma families**  
*Oana Banu, Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy of Science ,  
Romania*  
*Adrian Dan-Nicolae, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work,  
Department of Social Work, Romania*
5. **Street Social Work: Responding Locally to Global Social Forces**  
*Darren Hill, Leeds Beckett University, UK*

**10.45-11.00 COFFEE BREAK**

**11.00-12.00 PUBLIC LECTURE** [plenum, amphitheatre 103]

**Prof. Marian Preda, Ph.D.,** *University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work,  
Department of Sociology, Romania*  
*President of the Senate of University of Bucharest*  
*“Social and Demographic Risks in Romania”*

**12.00-13.00 PUBLIC LECTURE** [plenum, amphitheatre 103]

**Prof. Silvia Fargion, Ph.D.,** *Free University of Bolzano, Italy*  
*Chair of the European Social Work Research Association*  
*“Social work professionals as political actors: thinking social work and policy practice”*

**13.00-14.00 LUNCH BREAK**



### **13.00-14.00 POSTER PRESENTATION – MAIN HALL**

- 1. Child protection as a fragmented social institution**  
*Andrea Rácz, University of Debrecen, Department of Sociology and Social Policy, Hungary*
- 2. Cyber - bullying as a Social Experience**  
*Gabriela Irimescu, Mihaela Rădoi, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania*
- 3. Survey on the Situation of Siblings in the Child Care System in Romania**  
*Alexandru Toth, Sociometrics Association – Grupul de Analiză Socială și Economică  
Florentina Balint, SOS Children's Villages Romania*
- 4. New trends in the “healing” of the delinquent children and youth**  
*Roxana Ungureanu, West University of Timișoara, Romania*
- 5. Socio-professional integration of Roma**  
*Diana Biriș, Paris 8 University, France*
- 6. The role of the social worker in the Palliative Care day center for adults at Hospice Casa Sperantei Brașov, Romania**  
*Irina Benedek, Hospice Foundation, Romania*

### **14.00-15.30 PAPER PRESENTATION - SESSION 3**

<b>International perspectives in social work</b>		
<b><u>14.00-15.30</u></b>	Room Computer Lab, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>

Chair: **Paul Rigby**

- 1. Social Work ‘meets’ International Development: the perceptions of national professional organizations of social workers on the interaction between social work and international development**  
*Daniela Gaba, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*
- 2. Improving the Protection and Wellbeing of Children in Europe: Enhancing the Curriculum**  
*Paul Rigby, University of Stirling, UK  
Sandra Engstrom, University of Stirling, UK*
- 3. A new challenge in the social sciences: Resilience legal**  
*Mihaela Tomiță, West University of Timisoara, Romania*
- 4. For a Propulsive Welfare. A desire to socialize useful to health in a reciprocity way**  
*Ionuț Virgil Șerban, University of Craiova, Department of Social Sciences, Romania  
Daniela Grignoli, University of Molise, Department of Economics, Society and Institutions, Italy*
- 5. International perspectives and human rights for elderly person. New challenges for the 21st century**  
*Mihaela-Viorica Rușitoru, University of Strasbourg, France  
Denizia Gal, University Babeș-Bolyai, Cluj-Napoca, Romania*

<b>Deviance and social behavior 1</b>		
<b><u>14.00-15.30</u></b>	Room Council Room, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>

Chair: **Gheorghita Nistor**





- 1. Perceptions regarding the violence phenomenon in pre-university education. Case Study: The violence in Craiova schools**  
*Andreea Mihaela Niță, University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania*
- 2. Family relationships in contemporary Romania and Japan – a comparative study**  
*Diana Tihan, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Romania*
- 3. The influence of the group and the type of the crime – a probation perspective**  
*Rebeca Scorcia (Popescu), University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Romania*
- 4. Aging and social care services for older people at home**  
*Gheorghita Nistor, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*

### Social work education

<b>14.00-15.30</b>	Room Amphiteatre 103, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>
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Chair: *Asun Llena Berñe*

- 1. Employing assessment practices in a social work postgraduate programs in children's rights: What students say?**  
*Mihai Bogdan Iovu, Babeş-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Romania*
- 2. "Acompañamiento" Walk with them, work with them or more than that?**  
*Erika Laredo, Leeds Beckett University, UK*  
*Asun Llena Berñe, University of Barcelona, Faculty of Education, Cataluña*
- 3. Using Non-violent Communication in Social Work as Means to Personal Development**  
*Mirela Anghel, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*
- 4. Islamic Social work in Romania**  
*Abdulla Osman Hassan, University of Oradea, Romania*
- 5. Social Education and active citizenship. Conditions for building participatory and empowering context for children political participation**  
*Asun Llena Berñe, University of Barcelona, Faculty of Education, Cataluña*  
*Anna Novella Cámara, University of Barcelona, Faculty of Education, Cataluña*  
*Ingrid Agud Morell, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Cataluña*

**15.30-16.00 COFFEE BREAK**

**16.00-18.00 PAPER PRESENTATION - SESSION 4**

### Social work with children and youth 2

<b>16.00-18.00</b>	Room Council Room, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>
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Chair: *Mihaela Tomiță*

- 1. Transition to independent life. A long way from institutionalized childhood to adulthood**  
*Ana Maria Preoteasa, Laura Tufă, Simona Ilie, Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy of Sciences*
- 2. Social work and protection of abused and neglected children**  
*Maria Constantinescu, Cornel Constantinescu, Cristina Dumitru, University of Pitesti, Romania*



3. **Online Risk Behaviours and the Patterns of Internet Use in Croatian Adolescents**  
*Lucija Vejmelka, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, Department of Social Work*  
*Miroslav Rajter, University of Zagreb, Research Office, Croatia*
4. **Positive Behavioural Intervention and Support as an approach to strengthen students' resilience in school**  
*Ioana Dârjan, Mihaela Tomiță, West University of Timișoara, Romania*
5. **11 Types of Felt Needs in Families with Autism Spectrum Disorder**  
*Sândica Ion, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*
6. **Children's responses to periodic parental unemployment and economic adversity**  
*Anette Bolin, University West, Division of social work/ social pedagogy and sociology, Sweden*

### Deviance and social behavior 2

<b>16.00-18.00</b>	Room Computer lab, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>
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Chair: *Mihai Predescu*

1. **Life after prison release – becoming economically active**  
*Andrada Istrate, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Romania*
2. **Aggressive and Auto-Destructive Behaviour Learnt by the Youth**  
*Gabriel Pricină, University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania*
3. **Juvenile delinquency treatment. Three lessons from disability studies` perspective**  
*Mihai Predescu, Ioana Dârjan, Mihaela Tomiță, West University of Timișoara, Romania*
4. **The staff perspective on rehabilitation of young offenders and therapeutic community intervention**  
*Mihai Predescu, Ioana Dârjan, Mihaela Tomiță, West University of Timișoara, Romania*

### Social work practice and profession 2

<b>16.00-18.00</b>	Room Amphiteatre 103, ground floor	November 4 <sup>th</sup>
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Chair: *Antonio Sandu*

1. **Social Construction of Probation. Professional interferences**  
*Antonio Sandu, „Stefan cel Mare” University of Suceava, Romania; State University, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova*  
*Elena Unguru, LUMEN Research in Social and Humanistic Sciences, Iasi, Romania*
2. **The cost of low investment in local public social work services**  
*Daniel Arpinte, Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy of Sciences*
3. **Social assistance for institutionalized children: objective and subjective aspects**  
*Dan Ioan Mihail, "1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia, Romania*
4. **Gender and Social Work: Research Avenues for the Feminisation of Social Work in Romania**  
*Daniela Gaba, Anca Mihai, Oana-Vera Pirneci, Georgiana-Cristina Rentea, Florin Lazăr, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, Romania*

**18.30-20:30 FAREWELL PARTY ???** [Panduri 90 building premises/ ground floor / Social Club]





## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

### *Rory Truell*



Dr. Rory Truell is the Secretary-General of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) since 2011. Dr. Truell has a distinguished background in the leadership of several social development organizations and he is a respected social work leader locally, nationally and internationally. His years at International Federation of Social Workers represent his fourth time leading a major organization, having served previously as the Chief Executive of The New Zealand (NZ) Social Services Industry Training Organization, Executive Director and Professor of Social Work at the Te Wananga o Aotearoa, and as Chief Executive of The NZ Institute of Training in Social Services. Throughout his career, Dr. Truell has been recognized as a transformative leader. Born in Northern Ireland, Dr. Truell has also been a Conflict Management Educator, a role funded by the Northern Ireland Peace and Reconciliation Commission; a Senior Lecturer in Counseling and Social Work, at the Central Institute of Technology (CIT), Senior Social Worker, Wellington Mental Health Services, and a Community Coordinator, in

Wellington and Auckland, New Zealand. Dr. Truell has a Doctorate from Bond University, Australia where his thesis was on mental health social work assessment; an MSc in Guidance and Counseling, from Ulster University, Northern Ireland; a Post-Graduate Diploma in Psychotherapy, from the Central Institute of Technology, New Zealand. He is a Certified Transactional Analyst, and has a Certificate in Managing Community Welfare Organizations and a Diploma in Social Work (CQSW) from Victoria University, New Zealand.

### *Silvia Fargion*



As a Professor of Social Work at the Free University of Bolzano/Bozen, Italy, I combine a comprehensive academic training with extensive experience in the field as a social worker. I have been active in research, in particular in the last few years I have coordinated several research projects on professional cultures in Italy, on access to social services, on quality standards for social work and social services organization. I have been a book review editor for International Social work, member of the editorial board Social Work Education and reviewed submissions on behalf of International Social Work, Journal of Social Work, European Journal of Social Work and Qualitative Social Work. I am the author of three monographic books and my articles appear in the main European journals.

### *Marian Preda*



Currently President of the Senate of the University of Bucharest, Professor Preda has 25 years experience in carrying out researches on social issues as researcher at the Research Institute for Quality of Life and within the University. The results of the researches have been published in various books and reviews. He also teaches at the University or in intensive training programs issues related to EU social policy, Romanian social policy in the international context and takes part at international conferences. Dr. Preda has also a good experience in writing and implementing projects financed by international organizations as the EU, UNICEF, UNFPA, the World Bank, some of them developed together with foreign partner Universities from UK, Sweden, Holland, Greece, etc. He has been also working as trainers on EU social policy in Romania (for the European Institute in Romania), on project management circle (for The Ministry of Labour and Social Solidarity) and in The Republic of Moldavia (for UNICEF

and also for UNFPA). He has been also consultant for The Ministry of Education, Ministry of Labour and Social Solidarity, National Antipoverty and Social Inclusion Commission of the Romanian Government under projects financed by EU, DFID and The World Bank. He has been appointed by President of Romania as president (coordinator) of The Presidential Commission for Social and Demographic Risks Analyses (2009).



## WORKSHOPS

### 1. *Clinical assessment and intervention for children with a history of abuse: an unifying experiential psychotherapy approach*

**Gabriela Marc, SPER Institute (IN ROMANIAN LANGUAGE)**

#### *DESCRIEREA WORKSHOPULUI:*

Complexitatea cazurilor care presupun situații de abuz asupra copiilor necesită în mod obișnuit un demers aprofundat, scopul fiind de a comunica o evaluare validă, obiectivă și relevantă pentru a asista serviciile de asistență socială și instanțele de judecată în deciziile cu privire la un caz.

Importanța utilizării procesului art-terapeutic în explorarea universului interior al copilului este esențială în demersul terapeutic.

Desenul liber, desenul familiei, modelajul, jocul cu nisip, dramaterapia, colaajul sau alte mijloace expresiv-creative sunt indispensabile în evaluarea psihodiagnostică a copiilor, ele acționând atât ca mijloc de susținere a efectelor terapeutice, cât și ca mijloc provocativ și catalizator al demersului terapeutic.

Exercițiile provocative îi focalizează pe copii într-o anumită experiență în care pot conștientiza cum fac și ce fac pentru a-și perpetua și întreține un anumit comportament dezadaptativ. Scopul acestui workshop este de a le oferi participanților informații despre principiile teoretice și aplicative ale evaluării și intervenției terapeutice la copiii care au suferit diferite forme de abuz.

Acest workshop ilustrează aplicabilitatea fundamentală a psihoterapiei experiențiale în lucrul cu copiii cu istoric de abuz, precedată de unele observații cu privire la evoluția procesului de experimentare.

#### *DESCRIEREA FACILITATORULUI:*

Gabriela Marc este doctor în psihologie, asistent universitar în cadrul Universității din București - Facultatea de Psihologie și Științele Educației, MD, psihoterapeut și consilier P.E.U., cu specializare în dezvoltare personală individuală și de grup, stagii de documentare în Franța, Norvegia și Israel, psiholog clinician principal, supervisor psihologie clinică; formator în cadrul Institutului SPER.

#### ENGLISH VERSION

### *Clinical assessment and intervention for children with a history of abuse: An unifying experiential psychotherapy approach*

#### *WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION:*

The complexity of cases involving child maltreatment ordinarily requires a trustworthy approach with the aim of communicating a reliable, objective and relevant assessment in order to assist social service and juvenile court professionals in planning and taking decisions on the case. The importance of using art therapy techniques in exploring the inner universe of the child is essential in the therapeutic approach.

Child drawings, family drawing, modeling, sand play, drama therapy, collage or other creative means are indispensable in psychological assessment of children; they act both as a therapeutic strategy and they sustain and facilitate therapeutic approach.

The provocative exercises help children focus on particular experience and realize how and what are they doing to perpetuate and maintain a maladaptive behavior.

The aim of this workshop is to provide theoretical information and strategies to the participants, for the assessment and treatment of children who suffered various types of abuse and neglect.

This workshop illustrates the fundamental applicability of experiential psychotherapy in working with abused and neglected children, preceded by some observations on the progress of the experiment.

#### *ABOUT THE TRAINER:*

Gabriela Marc, PhD in psychology, Teaching Assistant at the Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, University of Bucharest M.D., U.E.P. psychotherapist and counselor, specialized in personal and group development, documentation trainings in France, Norway and Israel, primary clinical psychologist and clinical psychology supervisor, trainer at SPER Institute.



## 2. *Caring for children left behind by working with/in their communities*

**Alina-Crenguța Dumitru, Terre des Hommes (IN ROMANIAN LANGUAGE)**

### *DESCRIEREA WORKSHOPULUI*

#### *Obiective:*

- Identificarea bunelor practici sau a posibilelor noi practici de adresare a unui fenomen deja amplu în România, care se poate extinde/agrava în condițiile noilor forme de migrație din Europa;
- Explorarea modurilor în care comunitățile pot fi implicate în protejarea copiilor "left behind" și chiar în prevenirea separării lor de familie.

#### *Metode de lucru:*

- prezentare;
- world cafe.

#### *Secvențe:*

- 20 min: prezentarea practicilor Tdh în domeniul protejării copiilor afectați de plecarea părinților:
  - serviciile de suport dezvoltate la nivel comunitar prin acordarea de micro-granturi și asistență tehnică în implementarea acestora;
  - activitățile psiho-sociale bazate pe metodologia "Mișcare, Joc și Sport".
- 5 min: tranziție către următoarea secvență
- 75 min: World Cafe - participanții sunt împărțiți în 3 grupuri și fiecare grup este angajat în schimb de idei sau experiențe pentru a răspunde următoarelor întrebări:
  - *Ce putem face pentru copiii ai căror părinți au plecat?*
  - *Ce putem face pentru copiii în risc de a fi lăsați în urmă?*
  - *Pot contribui comunitățile la prevenirea separării copiilor de familie?*

[Fiecare grup petrece câte 25 min/întrebare. Discuțiile vor fi moderate de către facilitatori din cadrul echipei Tdh.]

- 20 min: concluzii & story-sharing.

*Public țintă:* asistenți sociali, cercetători, studenți, practicieni din sectorul ONG.

### *DESCRIEREA FACILITATORULUI:*

Alina-Crenguța Dumitru este coordonator de traininguri în cadrul Fundației Terre des Hommes. Principalele sale atribuții sunt dezvoltarea unor programe de training și asigurarea formării lucrătorilor sociali, profesorilor, voluntarilor cu privire la drepturile copilului, dezvoltarea umană, incluziunea socială.

<http://www.terredeshommes.org/>

### *ENGLISH VERSION*

## *Caring for children left behind by working with/in their communities*

### *DESCRIEREA WORKSHOPULUI:*

#### *Objectives:*

- Identifying best practices or possible new practices to address a phenomenon already widely represented in Romania, that can extend / aggravate the conditions of new forms of migration in Europe;
- Exploring the ways in which communities can be involved in protecting children "left behind" and even prevent their separation by the own family.

#### *Methods of work:*

- presentation;
- World Cafe.

#### *Sequences:*

- 20 min: Tdh presentation practices in the protection of children affected by their parents leaving:
  - support services developed at community level by providing micro-grants and technical assistance in their implementation;
  - psychosocial activities based on methodology "Movement, Game and Sport".
- 5 min: transition to the next sequence
- 75 min: World Cafe - participants are divided in three groups and each group is engaged in the exchange of ideas and experiences to answer the following questions:



- • *What can we do for children whose parents have gone?*
- • *What can we do for children at risk of being left behind?*
- • *Can help communities prevent separation of children from their families?*

[Each group spent about 25 min / question. The discussions will be moderated by facilitators from the Tdh team.]

- 20 min: Conclusions & story-sharing.

*Target audience:* social workers, researchers, students, practitioners in the NGO sector.

*WORKSHOP COORDINATOR:*

Alina-Crenguța Dumitru is training coordinator within Terre des Hommes Foundation. Her main tasks are to develop training programs and provide training for social workers, teachers, volunteers on children's rights, human development, and social inclusion.

<http://www.terredeshommes.org/>

### **3. Using arts to depict the phenomenology of social experience in social work practice, teaching and research**

**Ephrat Huss, Ben-Gurion University, Negev, Israel (IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)**

*DESCRIEREA WORKSHOPULUI:*

Artele au o puternică legătură teoretică cu practica asistenței sociale și predarea deoarece ele pot crea un spațiu simbolic în cadrul căruia se face trecerea de la homeostazie la schimbare - atât pentru beneficiari, cât și pentru asistenții sociali.

Elaborând, experiențele câștigă în coerență și semnificație atunci când sunt descrise ori sunt reflectate prin producții simbolice, iar vasta bază hermeneutică de exprimări artistice, care include simboluri și metafore, devine un spațiu ce înlesnește reconstrucția și transformarea semnificațiilor. Acest fapt deschide un drum către noi perspective și comportamente.

O altă legătură conceptuală între artă și asistența socială constă în faptul că artele sunt un element de conexiune între micro-și macro-nivelurile de experiență ale persoanei-în-comunitate prin intermediul relației dintre persoană și mediu (subiect și mediu, actor și scenă, dansator și spațiu, piesa principală și muzica de fundal).

Având în vedere premisele teoretice expuse mai sus (Autor, 2012; 2014), workshopul propus are ca obiectiv prezentarea a trei metode bazate pe arte ce sunt relevante pentru practica asistenței sociale, predare, supervizare și cercetare, și care provin mai degrabă din teorii ale asistenței sociale decât din cele ale art-terapiei.

1. Utilizarea genogramelor creative în predare, practică și cercetare ca metodă de a integra experiența familială subiectivă și obiectivă.
2. Utilizarea unei singure imagini pentru a exprima situații generatoare de stres, reacții la acesta și metode de coping ca un gestalt interactiv ce situează trauma în contextul social.

Într-o prezentare mai detaliată, elementele la care se va face referire în cadrul acestui workshop includ:

- Abilități de bază în folosirea artei în practica, predarea și cercetarea în asistența socială.
  - Utilizarea artei pentru a oferi o semnificație personală diferitelor probleme cu care individual se confruntă și identificarea unor soluții pentru rezolvarea acestora.
  - Contextualizarea experienței subiective în cadrul social pornind de la produsul art-terapeutic.
  - Contactul cu resursele personale, evidențiate în spațiul lucrativ prin art-terapie.
  - Negocierea pozițiilor conflictuale prin intermediul simbolurilor ca un vast spațiu hermeneutic.
  - Propunerea de noi viziuni despre viitor prin reorganizarea elementelor compoziționale și a simbolurilor.
- Participanților li se vor evidenția aplicațiile acestor metode în practica lor.

*DESCRIEREA FACILITATORULUI:*

Ephrat Huss este profesor de asistență socială la Ben-Gurion University Negev, Israel. Ea coordonează un masterat inovator de asistență socială care integrează arta în practica și teoria acestui domeniu. Ariile sale generale de cercetare sunt axate pe conexiunea dintre artă și asistența socială prin folosirea artelor ca o metodă de a asculta vocea populației marginalizate precum popoarele indigene beduine din sudul Israelului, dar și ca instrument în managementul stresului asistenților sociali. Este autoarea a două cărți publicate de Routledge, dar a scris și peste 50 de articole dedicate subiectului acestui workshop.



### ENGLISH VERSION

#### *Using arts to depict the phenomenology of social experience in social work practice, teaching and research*

##### *WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION:*

The arts have a strong theoretical connection to social work practice and teaching because they can create a symbolic space within which to shift from homeostasis to change - for both service users and social workers.

To elaborate, experiences gain coherence and meaning when described or reflected back through symbolic productions, and the broad hermeneutic base of arts expression that includes symbols and metaphors becomes a space to enable constant reconstruction and transformation of meanings. This opens a pathway to new perspectives and new behaviors.

Another conceptual connection between arts and social work is that the arts connect between micro and macro levels of experience, capturing the experience of person-in-community through the relationship between figure and background (subject and background, actor and stage, dancer and space, central tune and background music).

Based on the above theoretical premises (Author, 2012; 2014) the proposed workshop aims to teach three arts based methods that are relevant for social work practice, teaching, supervision and research, and that emerge from theories of social work rather than theories of art therapy:

1. Using creative genograms in teaching, practice and research as a way to integrate subjective and objective family experience.
2. Using a single image to express stress situations, stress reactions, and coping as an interactive gestalt that situates trauma within social context.

You can find below a more detailed breakdown of skills taught in this workshop:

- Basic skills in using arts in practice, teaching and research in social work.
- Using arts to excavate a self-definition of a problem and a solution for silenced or processed groups.
- Contextualizing subjective experience within social context with the help of the compositional relationship between figure, background.
- Understanding how recourses are divided through spatial organization.
- Negotiating conflicting stands through symbols as a broad hermeneutic space.
- Initiating new visions of the future through re-organizing compositional elements and symbols.

After practicing these methods, then they will be applied to the participant's specific teaching, supervision, practice and research concerns.

##### *WORKSHOP COORDINATOR:*

Ephrat Huss is a professor of social work at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. She heads an innovative MA social work specialization that integrates arts in social work practice and theory. Her overall areas of research are the interface between arts and social work and using arts as a way for accessing the voices of marginalized populations such as the Bedouin indigenous people in the south of Israel, and as self-care for social workers. She is the author of two books published by Routledge and over fifty articles on the subject of arts in social work.

#### **4. Protection of domestic abuse victims. Experiences from specialists' practice, ANAIS Association (IN ROMANIAN LANGUAGE)**

##### *DESCRIEREA WORKSHOPULUI:*

- Prezentarea cadrului legislativ actual privind drepturile victimelor violenței domestice (25 min.)
- Servicii specializate pentru victimele violenței domestice (15 min.)
- Mărturiile ale victimelor violenței domestice (5 min.)
- Sesiune de întrebări și răspunsuri (20 min.)
- Exercițiu practic - "Pune-te în situația unei victime a violenței domestice" (40 min.)

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ANAIS este o asociație al cărei scop principal îl reprezintă promovarea, respectarea și apărarea drepturilor copilului, ale tinerilor și ale femeilor. Asociația își propune să acționeze pentru modificarea politicilor și legislației în





beneficiul copiilor, prin recunoașterea și punerea accentului pe responsabilitățile și îndatoririle părinților, profesorilor și ale altor autorități, de asemenea pentru prevenirea abandonului și reintegrarea familială prin oferirea de suport copiilor și familiilor aflate în dificultate.

Pentru ducerea la îndeplinire a obiectivelor, Asociația a demarat mai multe colaborări cu instituții publice locale: Direcția Generală de Asistență Socială a Municipiului București, Direcția Generală de Poliție a Municipiului București, Direcția de Asistență Socială și Protecția Copilului Sector 1, unități spitalicești aflate pe raza municipiului București și alte ONG-uri precum ADRA România, Solwodi.

Facem parte din „Rețeaua pentru prevenirea și combaterea violenței în familie” alături de Asociația Transcena, Asociația pentru Libertate și Egalitate de Gen A.L.E.G., Asociația Femeilor Împotriva Violenței Artemis, Asociația Front, Grupul Român pentru Apărarea Drepturilor Omului GRADO, Institutul Est-European pentru sănătatea reproducerii, Asociația Centrul de Dezvoltare Curriculară și Studii de Gen Filia, Fundația Centrul Parteneriat pentru Egalitate, Fundația Sensiblu, Asociația E-Romnja și alte ONG-uri.

Suntem membri ai rețelei europene privind lupta împotriva violenței în familie WAVE și ai rețelei europene ENGAGE - European Network of Gynaecological Cancer Advocacy Groups, ce are ca principal obiectiv sprijinirea, informarea și îndrumarea femeilor diagnosticate cu diverse forme ale cancerului ginecologic. Prin intermediul parteneriatelor cu Spitalul Universitar București și Spitalul Clinic Colțea, distribuim materiale informative pentru femeile diagnosticate în principal cu cancer mamar sau de col uterin.

Asociația ANAIS are în desfășurare trei proiecte principale:

- “*Stop violenței în familie*” - oferind gratuit victimelor violenței în familie consiliere și îndrumare socială, consiliere juridică cu privire la drepturile acestora și în vederea obținerii unui ordin de protecție și consiliere psihologică;
- “*Da, te putem ajuta cu ceva?*” - consiliere psihologică (grupuri de suport) pentru femeile diagnosticate cu cancer la sân sau de col uterin;
- “*Acțiuni caritabile și de susținere*”, pentru persoanele aflate în dificultate.

Oferim gratuit consiliere și îndrumare socială, consiliere juridică cu privire la drepturile victimelor violenței în familie, consiliere psihologică și psihoterapie pentru victimele violenței în familie (femei, bătrâni și copii), consiliere psihologică/psihoterapie pentru victimele abuzului sexual în care agresorul nu este partener, psihoterapie suportivă de grup pentru femeile diagnosticate cu cancer la sân sau de col uterin (și nu numai). Prin acțiunile caritabile organizate în principal cu ocazia sărbătorilor de Paște și de Crăciun oferim beneficiarilor noștri produse alimentare, de curățenie și de îngrijire personală, jucării, dulciuri și alte obiecte necesare. De asemenea, pe tot parcursul anului strângem obiecte electrocasnice, mobilier, haine și încălțăminte, pe care le oferim beneficiarilor aflați în nevoie.

Pe raza municipiului București (și nu numai), avem înregistrate în evidențele asociației un număr mare de femei aflate în dificultate, trăind în condiții insalubre, cu o alimentație deficitară, fiind private de produsele minime pentru un trai decent. De aceea acțiunile caritabile pe care le desfășurăm au ca scop creșterea calității vieții, în special, pentru femeile și copiii din familii defavorizate, prevenirea marginalizării sociale și incluziunea socială a grupurilor vulnerabile.

Promovăm egalitatea de șanse între femei și bărbați prin sprijin acordat ridicării statutului social și creșterii vizibilității femeilor în profesiile și comunitățile lor, activăm pentru combaterea violenței împotriva femeilor oferind servicii pentru protecția și asistență victimelor violenței în familie, inclusiv protecția minorului în fața violenței.

Activitățile Asociației și alte informații pot fi găsite pe site-ul [www.asociația-anais.ro](http://www.asociația-anais.ro)

Pagina de Facebook [www.facebook.com/pages/Asociația-Anais](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Asociația-Anais) sau [www.facebook.com/Asociația-Anais](https://www.facebook.com/Asociația-Anais) și pe canalul video [www.youtube.com/ANAISVideoChannel](https://www.youtube.com/ANAISVideoChannel)

### ENGLISH VERSION

#### ***Protection of domestic abuse victims. Experiences from specialists' practice***

##### **WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION**

- Presentation of the current legal framework regarding the rights of domestic abuse victims (25 min.)
- Specialized services for domestic abuse victims (15 min.)
- Testimonials of domestic abuse victims (5 min.)
- Questions and answers (20 min.)
- Exercise: “*Put yourself in the situation of a domestic abuse victim*” (40 min.)

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by recognizing and focusing on the responsibilities and duties of parents, teachers and other authorities, also to prevent abandonment and family reintegration by offering support to children and families in need.

We offer advice and support for parents and children (families at risk of abandoning their children, at risk of disintegrating families, single parents etc.), counseling and expertise in social, educational, child protection and health matters.

Thus, the Association has launched several collaborations with local public institutions: the General Directorate of Social Assistance of the Bucharest, General Directorate of Bucharest Police, hospital units located in the municipality of Bucharest; other NGOs active in the field of family violence: ADRA Association, Solwodi, Transcena Association, Sensiblu Foundation, GRADO Association, Foundation for Partnership and Gender Equality ALEG, Filia Center, Front Association, East European Institute for Reproductive Health; and private partners - including Novartis, AstraZeneca and Roche.

We are members of WAVE - an european network that fights against domestic violence and members of ENGAGE p the European Network of Gynecological Cancer Advocacy Groups, whose main objective is to support, inform and guide women that have been diagnosed with different forms of gynecological cancer. Through the partnerships with the Bucharest University Hospital and Colțea Hospital, we deliver informational materials mainly to women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer.

ANAIS Association is developing three major projects:

- “*Stop the domestic violence*” - offering to victims of domestic violence free counseling and social guidance, legal advice on their rights and helping them to obtain an order of protection and counseling;
- “*Yes, we can help you*” - psychological counseling (support groups) for women diagnosed with breast cancer or cervical cancer;
- “*Charitable and supportive actions*” - for the people in need.

We provide free advice and social guidance, legal advice regarding the rights of the victims of domestic violence, psychological counseling and psychotherapy for victims of domestic violence (women, elderly and children), psychological counseling / psychotherapy for victims of sexual abuse where the abuser is not a partner, supportive group psychotherapy for women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer (and not only). Through the charitable actions organized mainly during Easter and Christmas time, we offer to our beneficiaries food, cleaning and personal care products, toys, sweets and other necessary items. Also, throughout the year, we collect home appliances, furniture, clothes and shoes that we offer to beneficiaries in need.

We promote equality between women and men through support granted for strengthening the social status and increasing the visibility of women in their professions and their communities, our work is aimed towards fighting violence against women, offering protection and assistance services to victims of domestic violence, including protection against juvenile violence.

The actions carried out by ANAIS Association aim to increase the quality of life, especially for women and children from disadvantaged families, to prevent social exclusion and support social acceptance.

You can find more information regarding The Association’s activities at [www.asociatia-anais.ro](http://www.asociatia-anais.ro), [www.facebook.com/pages/Asociatia-Anais](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Asociatia-Anais) or [www.facebook.com/Asociatia-Anais](https://www.facebook.com/Asociatia-Anais) and [www.youtube.com/ANAISVideoChannel](https://www.youtube.com/ANAISVideoChannel).



## EXHIBITIONS

### Butterflies as a symbol of transformation, by *ANAIS Association*

In March this year, along with the ladies from the support groups, we started to manufacture butterfly and heart shaped pillows. The shape of the pillows was not chosen randomly, each having a special symbolism.

Butterflies as a symbol of transformation. A transformation for which we looked beyond diagnosis, beyond the echoes of helplessness. We searched and built together, heart to heart, hoping for the better. Our hands joined together to carry forward the hope, the living flame of life and from suffering we created a spring, a piece of beauty, which we can give to everyone.

Hearts as a symbol of solidarity and encouragement, hearts with a story. The concept was developed by ABC Breast Care, starting from the need of a patient. Heart shaped pillows come in support of women who underwent mastectomy surgery interventions and represent an aid in the post-operative period and after. It is specially designed in the shape of a heart so it can be placed under the armpit without creating discomfort. Its role is to help them avoid the contact between the arm and the operated area and offer them a more comfortable position.

**ANAIS Association** headquarters became a tailor shop where each team member worked side by side with the support group beneficiaries of the project "Beyond cancer diagnosis" to create these beautiful pillows. They were crafted painstakingly and with excitement for those who want to support our project and for women who have undergone mastectomy surgeries.

So far, we have participated with the crafted objects at two events, where we managed to offer in return for a donation approximately 150 pillows. With the money that we earned, we will go to the partner hospitals and will provide heart shaped pillows to the ladies who suffered mastectomy surgery. We want to be able to create many pillows and give them to the women who underwent mastectomy surgery!

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### Jewellery Exhibition, by *LouBijoux*

Loubijou jewellery are living history creations especially made for unique women capable of strong emotions and feelings. Natural pearls and crystals remind us of the earth strength and the eternity of time, natural leather and semiprecious metal create a permanent connection with nature. Loubijou jewellery purpose is to delight and to bring joy in women's lives.

We met Lucia at ALIAT. She is one of the most active, dynamic, joyful and friendly persons I've ever known. The jewellery she creates, mirror her energy and delicacy, a beautiful mixture of fragility and strength. Her line of jewellery represents more than a simple hobby and a way of earning a living, but it is her life story that stays behind her art, revealed her creativity and encourages her to move on every day.

<https://www.facebook.com/Loubijou.ro/>



## Photo Exhibition: *No Direction Home*, by **Iulian Ignat**

The twelfth Iulian Ignat's personal exhibition has the theme homeless in Bucharest. For four seasons, he met a number of homeless, recorded or noted their stories and photographed them.

“One breath away from us, a parallel world shudders, one that we most often try not to see, not to notice. Unlike us, the people of this world are preoccupied by one thing only. Will they survive the cold of the night, will they catch the next day, alone, without medical assistance, with no help, with no safety net?”

I tried to get to know and to photograph these people living on the streets of Bucharest and to hear their stories. Emotional stories showing how thin the line between is or world and theirs. I met people who too had a house, a job, a sense in life, people who are no better or worse than us. A simple greeting, a friendly approach usually makes a world of difference to many of them.

The result of this project is an exhibition of 20 photographs in black and white. These photographs, shot on medium film between April 2015 and February 2016 and printed on silver halide paper in the darkroom, represent his homage to these street people”.

### **Iulian Ignat**

Born in July 1972, in Bucharest. Working since 1994 with various newspapers, magazines and radio stations. Copy editor and photographer for „Formula AS” magazine, for which he signed more than 90 covers since 1998. He is one of the five photographers who created the photo album „Răzvan Mazilu – Oglinzi”. Other projects: covers for records like „Grigore Leșe și aromânii fârșeroți”, Trei Parale „Bazar II”.

<http://www.iulianignat.ro/>

## Film projection: *Pieptiș/ Abreast*, followed by a Q&A session

### **Patrick Brăila, TRANSform Association**

The first short biopic to show the struggle of a transgender man coming out in Romania.

Two souls are partakers on the road between the grandmother's anniversary and the grandfather's grave.

Both with their own pain, both with their own transformation. On the narrow, steep road, that compels them to interact, that brings them closer together more than the blood they share, unfolds the metamorphosis of the mother-daughter relationship into the turmoil of the mother-son bond.

It took 11 years for this story to exist. Another two for it to take shape. In the past year, dozens of people contributed to its development, making it an independent production that talks honestly and committedly about identity, becoming and love. Abreast's just been born.

*\*The movie will be English subtitled.*

<https://www.facebook.com/abreastshort/>