

17th EFTC Conference

Everything flows

19-20 September 2019, Thessaloniki, Greece

The **17th European Federation of Therapeutic Communities Conference** is being organized by the European Federation of Therapeutic Communities (EFTC), the Center for the Treatment of Dependent Individuals (KETHEA) and the Alternative Therapeutic Program for Addicted Individuals "ARGO", in cooperation with the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Law School and the Centers for Prevention of Dependence and Promotion Psychosocial Health "SEIRIOS" of the Municipality of Thessaloniki. The conference theme is ***'Everything Flows: Change in the Therapeutic Communities for Addiction'***, and will be held in Thessaloniki, Greece from the **19th to the 20th of September 2019**.

EFTC successfully holds biennial conferences since 1982 that aim to provide a meeting place for Therapeutic Communities' staff and members in order to present their work and evaluate processes of addiction recovery achieved in TCs.

The objective of the 17th EFTC Conference is to better understand the process of addiction recovery **with focus on change** that needs to be made in the Therapeutic Communities for Addiction, in order to meet with today's needs, based on contemporary research and practices. In particular, the thematic of the conference focuses on personal and organizational change in TCs, necessary organizational and administrative changes, innovative services in TCs as well as on new services in the field of prevention and criminal treatment of addiction.

Internationally acclaimed speakers will address lectures at the conference, while individual presentations and poster sessions will complete the scientific programme. At the same time, sports and social events will be organized, in order to broaden the horizons of change within Therapeutic Communities and to reinforce international cooperation links.

A unique opportunity derives from the conjunction of the 17th EFTC Conference with the **6th WFTC Institution** that will also be held in Thessaloniki on **17 & 18 September 2019** at Aristotle University's Research Dissemination Center (KEDEA). **Distinguished scientists** will conduct very interesting workshops during the Training Institute presenting ongoing developments and addressing unresolved issues in the field of addiction recovery. It is the first time that two significant events for the TC movement co-occur at the same time and the same city.

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