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The Forgotten Children Conference – follow up

A brief mention this month of the follow up work which is ongoing from this conference – we are currently putting the finishing touches to the Conference Report as well as preparatory work on collateral which hopefully will be used in schools across Europe and also proposed advocacy work amongst our members. Next month we also expect to move forward with the **Action Network** which was announced at the conference. More news and updates in the following months.



Video contest call for entries " Psychologists in schools- what do they do?"

A video clip contest of European Psychologists in the Educational system (NEPES) started on the 1st February 2010. The contest is part of the EFPA EU funded ESPIL project in the framework of Comenius actions within the EU Lifelong Learning Programme.

Students, teachers, parents and psychologists in the educational system of Europe are invited to take part by sending their video clip contributions. Until 31st May 2010 contest contributions under the title "Psychologists in schools- what do they do?" can be handed in online at <http://www.nepes.eu>.

NEPES is looking for video clip contributions exploring the work of psychologists in schools: presentation of projects, activities, interviews of people who experienced the work of psychologists in schools, interviews with psychologists in schools, interviews with people, who work with psychologists in schools, scenes of the work of psychologists in schools, imaginations of the work of school psychologists etc.

Mental Health and the Internet: Invitation to Complete a Survey

As part of preparation for a conference on Mental Health and the Internet, the Scottish Development Centre for Mental Health (SDC) is doing a brief survey for people with close personal experience of mental ill health (either personal or a friend or family member), about how people with lived experience use the web in relation to mental health.

The survey results will be used to inform the conference discussions, and may also be used for media work around the event. Once all the results are in, SDC intend to include a summary in the outcomes of the conference. No personal data will be recorded, so responses are entirely anonymous. The survey should take 5-10 minutes to complete, and is available at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/mhandthenet> - the survey is public and will remain open for a week.

European Patients' Forum (EPF) launches new website

The EPF has launched a new and enhanced, interactive member-focused website which can be found at www.eu-patient.eu.

EUFAMI representation at European Congresses

EUFAMI was represented at the Third European Brain Forum in Madrid, Spain on the 23rd and 24th February by Joy Ladurner, a member of the EUFAMI Executive committee. Joy's presentation was titled 'Schizophrenia – the impact on the Family'.

Alessandro Svettoni, another member of the Executive committee will be presenting a poster from EUFAMI titled 'On the way to Recovery from Schizophrenia: Sharing evaluation tools and experiences of psychosocial improvements between professionals and families' at the EPA Congress, which is taking place in Munich, Germany from the 27th February until the 2nd March. At the same congress, EUFAMI will also have an exhibition stand where information about EUFAMI and its members will be available.

EUFAMI Board Members – date for your calendar

The 2010 meeting of the Board of EUFAMI will take place on the 28th and 29th May 2010 at the EUFAMI offices in Leuven, Belgium.

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