

**Research Committee
IASSW**

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Report of the Research Committee of the IASSW

Dear colleagues,

During the last half-year the research activities were mostly related to the effects of sars-cov-2 pandemic infections and some members of the Research Committee were involved in work on a comparative overview on »Social Work and the COVID-19«. I sent the Report to the board members in June 2020 and the report will soon be available online.

Following out proposal from 2019 we discussed the possibility to create a global list of researchers among the IASSW member schools and individuals. When we started to collect the names of researchers who were interested to become research-resource persons, we faced data protection and the informed consent and other data protection issues/obstacles. For this reasons we contacted John Rautenbach who suggested an online “live” database, the same one which is used by the ASASWEI:

Association of South African Social Work Education Institutions (ASASWEI)

Social Work Expertise:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XvFhIly8CZ686sgd-vnX5A3qyLJgZFwaYsNnluxVfwo/edit>


We propose to the board that we create such online “live” database on the IASSW web site. The Research Committee will be responsible to send reminders and circulate the request for research-resource persons among the global members. For this, we need a space on-line under “Research-resource persons of the IASSW”.

-We would like to propose to create a database with link to already existing social work research Portals. For this work we would need some financial support for the MA or PhD student to make a focused research. We would like to ask the board for 1.000 USD for the work on research Portals and links. The money will be used for the person who will do the search and made the database.

-research Committee looks for additional active members of the Committee.

-Darja has a Zoom meeting with Agnes Yeung, Communication Manager about the potential joint grant application with Hungary, but it came out that the proposal asks for several practitioners from Hungary who were contacted but there were no responses in this regard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darja Zaviršek". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Darja Zaviršek, Chair

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