

Report of the Easter European sub regional Association of the Schools of Social Work

1.) In the first part of the year the board members were initiating the participation of the members of the EEsrASSW at the **European Conference in Social work Research** of ESWRA in April 2015 in Ljubljana, Slovenia. The 5th ESWRA conference titled "Re-visioning social work with individuals, collectives and communities: social work research« was organized by the local committee of the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Social Work, chaired by Darja Zaviršek. The conference took place in a post-socialist country that is at the same time a country of the European Union periphery but has a history of social work education that is quite remarkable (see the 2015 Conference Book of Abstracts and welcome speeches: <http://indosow.info/exordo2/book1.pdf>). Out of 468 oral and poster presentations (presenters came from 42 countries), there were 391 persons from western countries, **65 presenters came from one of the post-socialist countries** and 78 from outside Europe. This was a high number of researchers from a post-communist countries compared with some other international conferences.

Some members of the EesrASSW have organised the **pre-conference "Disability Studies in Eastern Europe and South East Asia"**, 22. April 2015. (as prof.dr. Natalija Lisak; prof. Sanela Basic; assist prof. dr.Sanela Sadić; assist prof. dr. Vjollca Kraniqi; prof. Darja zaviršek)

The local members of the EEsrASSW made sure that some members of the EesrASSW who came to the conference **were hosted by local colleagues** (contact: assist prof. jelka Zorn, as. Prof. Ana Sobocan).

2.) The web site has been updated, posting important events and documents. The members of the EEsrASSW have the chance to post their published or unpublished articles or research in the web site. The web site is a resource base for the region. <http://www.eesrassw.net/> (contact: Gašper Krstulović).

3.) The EEsrASSW started to **collect books** for a newly established library of the department of social work at the University of Pristine. The books are collected either at the University of Ljubljana or directly in Kosovo. In spring 2016 the books will be delivered to Kosovo. (contact: prof. Vjollca Kraniqi)

4.) Some members of the EEsrASSW from Romania were local organisers of the **ISPCAN** conference in Bucharest, end of September 2015. ([14th ISPCAN European Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect - International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect \(ISPCAN\)](#)). (contact: Prof. Maria Roth).

5.) Some members of the EEsrASSW joint the South East European Women leadership Initiative and joint the CSWE 2015 in Denver Colorado.

6.) The EEsrASSW have 135 institutional and individual members from 38 schools for social work and numerous additional other institutions and organizations 22 EE countries

And interested scholars from 5 additional Western Countries (Germany, Austria, Canada, UK and USA).

Sincerely,

Darja Zaviršek, president

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

Ljubljana, 29. 12. 2015