

**FEPAL COMMUNITY AND CULTURE PROJECT
BEYOND BORDERS - INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE WITH ACROSS REGIONS:
LATIN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES .**

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We extend , in this presentation, an invitation to Latin America colleagues living in Europe, USA and Canada to participate in FEPAL to create and strengthen links between Latin America colleagues living abroad and those living in Latin America to enhance our psychoanalytic community.

Migration is a reality that has been present in the history of psychoanalysis , so when a colleague migrates to another country , it is difficult for them to maintain their Latin American Membership as well as any memberships of the country in which they reside. This is why we are proposing a type of membership which would allow them to actively participate in FEPAL.

Some of the benefits of this project are :

- 1- To establish more forms of continuity between the Regions.
- 2- To highlight that we as a Federation are a Community which is not defined by regions but rather that what unites us as a Community is our commitment with humanity, psychic pain and mental growth and psychoanalysis .
- 3- To increase our scientific network; the European Federation, Latinoamerica , NaPsaC and CIPS. Today, most Congresses are regional and participation is limited to local psychoanalysts so through this Project, we hope to make more accessible for new members and colleagues outside of Latin American psychoanalysis to be informed of all Latin America events and vice versa.
- 4- This project could serve as a model so that, in the near future, European Colleagues living in Latin America would be able to actively participate in European Federations and/or Canadian colleagues to integrate into APsaA, etc.

We hope to receive your feedback and comments about ways to make participation in FEPAL and in our cultural activities (please check out website) more accessible for APSaA, NAPSAC, CIPS and Canadian members.

Our President of the IPA Stefano Bolognini has already shared, in his New Year Speech, the new proposals of sisters societies and professional observatory.

Even though this proposals aren't directly linked, they served to highlight that we need to function as bridges that traverse geographical borders.