

June 22, 2018

*to Executive Committee
of The International Union of Psychological Science*

Dear colleagues,

National Psychological Association (NPA) of Ukraine would like to ask the IUPsyS Executive Committee to consider the application for changing information about the National Member adhering body of Ukraine and NPA for IUPsyS Affiliate Status.

NPA is the only organization in Ukraine which brings together professional psychological society and psychological specialists from different fields of psychology. Since July 2017 NPA had become the National Representative of Ukraine in European Federation of Psychologists Association (www.efpa.eu/members). Also NPA collaborate with American Psychological Association.

We want to collaborate with IUPsyS because during long time Ukrainian psychological society was excluded from active engagement with world psychological organizations and one of main NPA's goals is to comprehensively integrate Ukrainian psychologists into international psychological community in purpose to improve psychology in Ukraine to current level of development. But it is impossible to achieve in isolation from the leading psychological organizations.

National Psychological Association is the young umbrella union and the largest psychological organization of Ukraine. Legal status – Public Association, its legal form is nongovernmental organization. Today NPA involves only a collective membership and currently consists of 312 members-psychologists, practitioners and researchers, from 12 association-members (10 full association-members and 2 associative association-members).

NPA's mission is to promote psychology and psychological knowledge as a science, a profession and a means of improving well-being, ensuring mental health and an adequate level of education of citizens.

Our **primary goals** are allocated to working groups which are aiming for:

- development/expertise/participation in the adoption of laws and administrative legal acts regulating psychological activity;

- accepting of the roadmap and the Europsy certification system implementation;
- development of the model of licensing and certification of psychologists of Ukraine;
- protection of the interests of professional psychologists, the creation of the Code of Ethics and the Ethics Committee.

The NPA is guided by the principles of democracy and equality for all members of the union. The change of leadership of the association is held every two years by open voting with the participation of Board's members.

The Board consist of two representatives from each member organizations and now stands at 24 members.

Under the Charter the Executive Council is chosen from the Board's members. Current composition of the Executive Council from May 29 2018 is:

President - prof. Leonid Burlachuk (leonid@burlachuk.kiev.ua), PsyD

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Treasurer - Valeria Paliy (valeria.tsykhonya@gmail.com), PhD

In March 23, 2018 we held **National Round table** "Legal regulation of psychological aid in Ukraine: strategy for European and world integration", organized by NPA, jointly with the Committee on European integration of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and inter-faction group of MPs of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine "Promotion of rights protection and social rehabilitation of Anti-terrorist operation veterans", with international support of the EFPA and the APA. Also we applied for EFPA's European Semester of psychology in Ukraine. In this autumn we are planning few local events.

We look forward for a long and productive association!

Sincerely,

Prof. **Leonid Burlachuk**
President of The NPA

