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To: all TSTAs, PTSTAs, CTA Trainers and 101 Instructors from PTSC $N^{\circ}~35-September~2016$

The Professional Training and Standards Committee (PTSC) of EATA addresses this bulletin to all TSTAs, PTSTAs, CTA Trainers and 101 Instructors who are members of EATA. With the <u>PTSC Telegram</u> we want to inform you about new developments and decisions concerning training, exams, standards, regulations, etc. <u>Please share this information with your trainees and your colleagues.</u>

The <u>PTSC Telegram</u> will appear at irregular dates, whenever important decisions have been made by the EATA PTSC or COC. You may choose to collect the Telegrams for your personal memory. On top of the first page you will find the number and date of publication.

Please be aware that the <u>PTSC Telegram</u> is not an alternative to the <u>EATA Newsletter</u>, but offers specific information which you sometimes may also find in the other papers.

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Dear Colleagues,

This Telegram is informing you about the news regarding training and certification coming from the PTSC/COC meetings in Geneva July 2016 and from the TAWCS, in Geneva July 2016.

Members of PTSC

Several PTSC members have finished their term and leaved the Committee in Geneva. Many thanks to Eva Acs fron Hungary, Andreas Becker from Germany and Elena Soboleva from Russia, for their contribution, their ideas, their energy and their deep concern about keeping their rightness to our standards.

A special thank you and recognition to Sue Eusden (Chair of COC) who ended her term as member of PTSC in Geneva. We appreciate her clear thinking, her dynamism and her kindness. We didn't have new members in PTSC. To be members of PTSC one person need to be certified TSTA or CTA Trainer

Welcome to Sylvie Rossi New PTSC Chair Elect. She will be plainly Chair of PTSC in Berlin, July 2017.

Forms and Sections in the Handbook

PTSC and COC made changes in several Sections and Forms. In some Forms and some Sections the changes are only clarification or simplification, in others the changes are additions

By the end of September 2016 all the new changes are in the Handbook (English version) on the website.

For the Handbooks which are translated, the changes are sent to the translator contact in each country.

We bring to your attention that the English format of the Handbook is the only reference for contract, training and examination standards.

Clarification or simplification which are all immediately applicable

- **-Form 12.4.1: TA 101 Certificate.** Now the headline is TA 101 CERTIFICATE Form instead of "Verification"
- **-Form 12.6.4: Exception documentation list:** this form has been rewritten to get explicit who has to complete it
- -Form 12.7.3: simplification
- Section 7, Point 7.3.1: the COC examination procedure has been simplified and clarified.
- -Form 12.11.5: Principal Supervisor's Certification to COC of a candidate's readiness for examination as a Teaching and/or Supervising Transactional Analyst. In the point "For SUPERVISING Endorsement Requirements" we harmonize the number of minimum hours with the Section 11: the minimum hours in 45 hours instead of 50.

Forms where PTSC made changes

-Section 4 and Forms 12.6.2, about the time to run a 101 after the TEW, we made an harmonisation between the Section and the Forms

In Section 4, point 4.1, the sentence « Normally within 3 years of signing the TSTA contract" has been replaced by "PTSC suggests to run a supervised 101 within 3 years after the TEW"

The same sentence is added in the Form 12.6.2, point B6. This point is immediately applicable.

-Forms 12.6.2, point C: Commitment of the supervisor, Point 8, we add the possibility to count the service as observer during the examination. The point 8 is written as follow: "I am willing to serve as examiner for CTA Trainer and T/STA exams if examiners are needed and I commit myself to serve as an **examiner/observer** at 3 venues within the period of this contract." This change is immediately applicable

Translation of the Handbook

The Handbook has been translated or is being translated in several languages. Already the translation from France, Germany, Hungary and Slovenia are on the website. The translation from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Serbia, Spain and Czech Republic are coming soon. Thank you to the Affiliated Association which were willing to organise these translations and thank you to all the translators who spend time to give the opportunity to read the Handbook in their own language.

News for CTA Trainer

A new Section, the Section 13 about the CTA Trainer examination and standards will be publish in the Handbook by mid-October 2016. The finishing touches are being put by E. Alleysson, C. Chevalier and S. Rossi.

Trainer Meeting in Berlin, July 2017

PTSC decided to organise a trainer Meeting in Berlin, July 25th in the morning to help new TSTAs to prepare TEW's candidates.

This trainer meeting will be ran by 2 TSTAs of different field who have had the experience of being in the staff in several TEWs.

PTSC will keep you inform of the modalities to participate to this trainer meeting.

Erratum about plagiarism

In Telegram 34 we published a text for the declaration of no plagiarism that the CTA candidates have to send with their written exam (Form 12.7.15). PTSC delete the last sentence, so the text is now:

"I declare that I have developed and written the enclosed TA Written Exam completely by myself, and I have not used sources or means without declaration in the text. Any thoughts from others or literal quotations are clearly marked. The TA Written Exam was not used in the same or in a similar version to achieve an academic grading or is being published elsewhere."

NEWS FROM COC

Members of COC

As new COC Chair I would like to thank Sue Eusden on behalf of the team who completed his term in Geneva this year for his professionalism and his kindness. Thank you also to Jacqueline van Gent whose term also ended in Geneva. Thank you both for all the work you provided. The following members continue their investment: Cathy McQuaid and Lynda Tongue (UK), Barbara Repinc Zupančič (Slovenia), Elyane Alleysson (PTSC Chair) and Armelle Brunot (France), Sylvie Rossi (PTSC Chair Elected) (Italy), Evelyne Papaux (Suisse). We welcome now Marit Lyngra (Norway) and Jos ten Vergert (Netherlands).

About CTA written exams

COC receives and sends out approximately 200 CTA written exams per year. The exams are coordinated by 9 Language Coordinators (LC). As we move to a digital age COC decide that written exams can be received and sent out electronically. The procedure will be published in the EATA Newsletter and the website. Candidates will have the choice of how they want to submit (hard copy only, or both) and markers will also have the right to choose how they want to receive the written exam. COC plan to implement this for the next year and review it in March 2017 & 2018 at the LC meeting.

COC Exam Administrator

The decision of having an Exam Administrator to administer all CTA and TSTA exams arose from the fact that COC now runs many more exam sites each year and handles accompanying candidate applications which carry their own administration, queries and organisation. There is now an urgent need for this work to become coordinated by one person and all the data centralised. The role could also include being the administrator for the CTA Trainer exams too. The principle was passed, discussions are needed to refine the job description before a call for applications.

NEWS FROM TAWCS (Transactional Analysis World Council of Standards)

Role of the TAWCS

The TAWCS has the task to facilitate and coordinate training and certification matters. TAWCS is a group with no executive power but will discuss, consult and recommend in case of issues and developments about trading and certification. The focus will be, however, how decisions in the training bodies of the associations might affect mutual recognition of training and accreditation. Whenever mutuality is affected, TAWCS will discuss intensely and reports

consequences to the associations. Therefore, it is possible that different perspectives and point of views might exist at the same time. The allegiance should not be to the association but to the training and certification matters. Regarding the decision of PTSC after the discussion in Sydney to proceed with the CTA-trainer, this decision was put into new perspective of collaboration.

CTA-Trainer: about mutual recognition

EATA confirm that we maintain the CTA Trainer examination, in the modalities decided in Hamburg and published in Telegram 33. ITAA will discuss how the design of an extensive exam for a CTA-Trainer (ITAA) or even an aligned TSTA exam (ITAA) might stretch the resources for ITAA regarding examiners present and taken care of financially as well as the probability to have enough candidates to provide an exam structure like intended (peer feedback, exchange of examiners between teaching and supervision). ITAA will then need to decide for mutual recognition.

Set aside of that topic it was discussed how the CTA-Trainer might affect the future understanding of a TSTA.

How FTAA could be involved in the TAWCS?

FTAA don't have a training body, they handed over all training contacts to IBOC. Still, FTAA should be involved. TAWCS decided that three members of EATA might be equated with two members of ITAA and one member of FTAA.

Collaboration of ITAA and EATA (IBOC and COC) for the exams

This question is looked on a financial point of view.

IBOCs offer for exams is based on the decision to attach exams to ITAA conferences in order to raise the probability for a variety of examiners for international exams. Every year IBOC does not offer exams and will have candidates applying for EATA exams, ITAA is looking for a reimbursement for IBOC candidates to deal with the costs of an EATA exam. IBOC candidates will need to pay full for their participation in an EATA exam - no talent rate or Numbeo rate is considered.

EATA written exam in Organisational field

The EATA written exam for organisation field has 13 questions on theory and literature. In ITAA Handbook there are 9 questions. Harmonisation of EATA and ITAA written exam in organisational field will be done. PTSC will send the additional questions to VP PS. BOT will formally decide to change the training manual. This decision will further mutuality.

About PTSC decision concerning Recording tape for the oral Exam in Organisational field:

PTSC decision is: if it is not possible for a candidate to record tapes for her/his oral CTA exam, the candidate has to send a request to PTSC for an exception to explain how she/he will show her/his competence in the oral exam without three tapes.

PTSC made clear that the decision mentioned is an exception. VP PS will not support the proceeding with such an exception. A decision about that will be made within BOT and reported back to TAWCS.

Election of Co-Chair

- The term as co-chair for Elyane Alleysson is ending July 2016 Geneva meeting.
- Thorsten has one year more to do
- Christine Chevalier is appointed as the new co-chair of TAWCS. In order to maintain continuity it was suggested that the co-chairs should not be leaving at the same time.

Elyane Alleysson, September 2016 Chair of PTSC