



***Crisis Management in Schools (CMiS)***  
***Advanced Course: Imminent Dangers***

The basic course “Crisis Management in Schools” teaches and practices the basic theories and the main practical tools for handling a large scale violent act or major catastrophe affecting a school. The recent development shows that violence in schools is not diminishing. There are threats, suicides, bullying, accidents, deaths. Schools understand that professional support is useful and ask for it. Caring for members of the school community in cases of potential traumatisation leads to questions about what can be done to prevent violence. The advanced CMiS course focusses on dealing with suicide and threats. Schools need to be prepared for these situations and school psychologists informed how to support.

Participants will share their experience, discuss fundamental principles of dealing with suicide and practice meetings with concerned persons in different scenarios. Suicides always bear the danger of imitation and schools need to be aware of that. When schools are threatened by bombs or other attacks it is difficult to decide when to call the police and after the imminent danger is over how to deal with accused persons in their school.

School psychologists from EU countries working in the educational system are eligible for funds from the EU. Last funding must be at least two years ago. More details applicants will get after having sent their application form to ESPCT. Every school psychologist can pay on his own. In this case ask for amount of necessary payment on the application form.

**Aims of the Training**

- Fresh-up intervention and coping tools from the basic course
- Deal with suicide and suicide prevention
- Deal with threats and integrating accused students
- Promote safe schools
- Promote networking

**Methods**

- Reflect individual experiences in dealing with imminent dangers
- Scientific, theoretical basis for interventions
- Practice interventions in simulations
- Discuss and develop effective strategies
- Discuss preparing colleagues and school personnel for dealing with suicide and threats
- Share organizing and maintaining regional crisis response networks

**Follow-up**

Participants are already in touch, and they will report about intervention expertise in their countries and support each other. They might offer assistance in national training efforts and support in big tragic events at schools. Thus helpful strategies will be further developed.

**European dimension**

Unfortunately outbreaks of extreme violence in schools are observed recently more and more often in different European countries. Prevention programs should be taken into consideration. This approach will add important practical ways for improving academic achievement as well as quality of life in schools and will be a significant contribution for integration of the European countries in the educational systems.

**Languages of the seminar:** ENGLISH/other European languages

Presentations in plenary sessions are in English, simulations and exercises will be in native languages if there are enough participants of the same native language.