



**Semmelweis University**  
**Faculty of**  
**Health Sciences**

## **Culture in healing - Healing in culture**

### ***Intercultural conflicts in healthcare***

*6-8 March 2019 Budapest, Hungary*





#### Coehre Academy

The Coehre Academy is one of the activities within the Coehre consortium. The aim of the Academy is to enhance international, interdisciplinary, interprofessional cooperation and capacity building within health education among the members institutions.

The Academy acts as a platform that initiates, supports and coordinates different activities. It offers opportunities to create, stimulate, found and intensify networking of partner institutions and to develop joint initiatives.

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### Aims and rationale of the workshop

- The quality of the relation connecting the health worker to the patient is an important element of the healing process. The cultural distance separating the two often creates an invisible bias producing unnecessary tensions, compromising successful patient-professional cooperation. Minorities and migrants are often cited as obvious examples of cultural otherness; it is less readily recognized that patients coming simply from different social contexts than that of the majority population might also pose problems to the medical system.
- **The aim of the seminar is:** to introduce and discuss a method based on the work of French social psychologist Margalit Cohen-Emerique to increase self-consciousness and self-reflection of health professionals. A conceptual framework and few keys will be given to understand better cultural patterns different from theirs, in order to render their work more efficient and less contentious.

### Practical information

Participants will arrive on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of March 2019.

The workshop starts on Wednesday morning and will end on 8 March, Friday afternoon by 16.00.

**Location:** Semmelweis University, Faculty of Health Sciences. 17. Vas u. Budapest 1088

Participants need to book their accommodation by themselves. Suggestions will be given upon request.

#### Costs:

COEHRE members:	250€
Low Income Countries:	150€
Non-members:	450€

(Costs involve the seminar, 3 lunches, 6 coffee breaks, a joint welcome dinner)

The workshop is based on keynote lectures, various interactive & group based activities & site visit.

Detailed program will be available soon!

## Workshop facilitators:

### Attila Dobos, MA, asst.prof.

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By his background Attila is a cultural anthropologist and philosopher defending his PhD thesis in the coming months on cultural hermeneutics. He has been working in the field of healthcare for more than ten years now with a focus on different aspects of sociocultural diversity and interculturality. Besides lecturing on social scientific subjects and bioethics, he is active in international research and educational programs. Attila represents COEHRE Academy as a council member since 2015.

### Diana Szántó, PhD

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Diana is the president of Artemisszio Foundation, an organization actively promoting engaged anthropology in Hungary. Her research interest is in intercultural relations,

international development, urbanity, civil society, migration, West Africa and medical anthropology. Her doctoral thesis investigates the role of the international disability movement in the struggles of polio-disabled communities in Sierra Leone after the civil war. She is the author of a dozen of articles published in journals and collective books. Presently she leads the Hungarian team working on the European project “Health Diversity” (<http://healthydiversity.eu>)

## Artemisszió Foundation

is a private NGO established in 1998, aims to encourage continuous dialogue between culturally and socially diverse groups since 1998. We have three main sectors of work: integration of marginalized groups, adult training and school programs.

At the moment, 17 full time employees work at the Foundation. Our activities have an international scope: we have a wide network of social partners in Budapest, we are active in the impoverished regions of Hungary, collaborate with other NGOs from diverse European and non-European countries (e.g. Brazil, Colombia, Sierra Leone). The Foundation is member of the Hungarian Hub of the European Migration Network, the Anna Lindh Foundation and the Global Education Working Groups of Hand (the national NGDO platform).

Since our establishment, we have offered adult trainings to over 2000 people including social workers, teachers, employees of local municipalities, health professionals, youth workers. The core of our trainings is intercultural communication: we deem it of outmost importance that participants start with a conscious self-reflection so that their hidden biases, stereotypes, prejudices come to light. This aids them to create an unbiased working relationship with their clients.

## Semmelweis University

Semmelweis University is Hungary’s largest higher education institution training physicians and health care professionals. At present there are over 11000 students at the university founded in 1769.

The Faculty of Health Sciences of Semmelweis University, founded in 1975 as the Faculty of Health Care of Haynal Imre University, was the first higher education institution in Hungary training nurses, physiotherapists, dieticians, and other health professionals at the highest level. Then in 2000 the Faculty was integrated into the prestigious and famous Semmelweis University. In 2017 there are 3545 students at the Faculty of Health Sciences of whom 402 are foreign ones. Still as the most popular and most prestigious health care higher education institution in Hungary we run 10 BSc and 3 MSc programmes, whereas we also offer the opportunity for PhD studies in our “Health Sciences Researches” doctoral programme.

Our BSc Nursing, Midwifery, Physiotherapy, Optometry, and Health Visitor, and also our MSc Nursing and Physiotherapy programmes are available in English. Also, we have been running an off-campus BSc Physiotherapy training in English and Italian languages at University L.U.de.S. in Switzerland.

Our Faculty hosts the BSc Traditional Chinese Medicine training of Heilongjiang University of Chinese Medicine.

Due to the high quality and variety of our advanced training programmes we run several exchanges with universities and other organizations in the USA and China as well.