

# ReAttach Conference May 29-31 2020 Skopje

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### Scientific Committee



### Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovski

Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovkski is the founder and president of the Macedonian Scientific Society for Autism

He is a full professor in Autism Spectrum Disorders, Human Genetics, Physiology and Functional Anatomy, and Medical Aspects of Disability at the University of "Ss. Cyril and Methodius", where he works 22 years within the Faculty of Philosophy, Institute of Special Education and Rehabilitation. He is the Editor in Chief of Journal for ReAttach Therapy and Developmental Diversities.

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### Drs. Paula Weerkamp-Bartholomeus

President and Founder of ReAttach Therapy International Foundation Director of ReAttach Academy

Paula is an Educational Psychologist who developed ReAttach and founded ReAttach Therapy International Foundation and ReAttach Academy. Currently, she is conducting ReAttach studies at Maastricht University, Department of Psychiatry and Neuropsychology.



### Prof. Michael Fitzgerald

Honorary Member of the ReAttach Foundation

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**Autism Researcher** 

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### Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ghaziuddin

Associate Professor of Child Psychiatry at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, USA.



### Prof. Dmitry Butko

Department of Medical Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine, Federal State
Budgetary Institution of Higher Education "Saint-Petersburg State Pediatric
Medical University", Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation



# **Keynote Presentations**

8.30	Opening Ceremony Ivana Vasilevska Petrovska, vice-President MSSA Nadieh Roosen, vice-President ReAttach Therapy International Foundation Dr. Ritu Chauhan
8.45	Wiring Affect with ReAttach W.A.R.A. Drs. Paula Weerkamp-Bartholomeus
9.15	How far can one grow with the aid of ReAttach when it comes to autism? Dr. Ron Willems
9.45	The Neurobiology of Autism: Explaining the Autistic Way of Thinking Prof. Dr. Manuel Casanova
10.15	Coffee Break and Poster Presentations
10,45	Mental health challenges in adolescents with autism: an update Prof. Dr. Mohamad Ghaziuddin
11.15	What can we measure with EEC biofeedback during ReAttach treatment in children with psychiatric disorders?  Drs. Fanny Stempher
11.45	Neurodevelopment Disorders in Association with Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders Prof. Dr. Emily Casanova
12.15	<b>The gut-brain link with Autism Spectrum Disorders</b> Prof. Dr. Vladmir Trajkovski
12.45	Lunch Break and Poster Presentations



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9;15	Bridging the gap between early detection of Autism Prodrome in infants and intervention: Clinical Study Perspectives.  Dr. Hanna Alonim
9.45	History of child psychiatry and psychology during the second world war with particular reference to autism.  Prof. Michael Fitzgerald
10.15	Coffee Break and Poster Presentations
10.45	Markers autoantibodies as indicators of Cognitive Dysfunction in Children and Adults.  Prof. Dr. Alexander Poletaev
11.15	Attachment and jealousy: from heaven to hell! Prof. Dr. Donatella Marazziti
11.45	Continuing education for children with autism spectrum disorders: methodological guideilnes. Prof. Dr. Roman Demyanchuck
12.15	Sexual health of young athletes Prof. Dmitry Butko
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## 29-05-2019

## **Parallel Sessions**

14.00	<b>Drama-therapy and autism - workshop</b> Prof. Parasuram Ramamoorthi
	Post-Concussion Syndrome: What ReAttach can do for patients with persistent symptomatology Corry Heesterbeek
14.30	How ReAttach is used in the rehabilitation of patients with chronic pain Carla Kraaij
	ReAttach and work-related stress at school Henk van der Pas
15.00	Autism spectrum disorders and diet: our current orientations and considerations.  Dr. Carmello Rizzo
	<b>ReAttach and pediatric Occupational Therapy: time for new opportunities!</b> Marielle Bartholomeus
15.30	Coffee Break
16.00	Problematic internet use in drug addicts under treatment in public rehab centers Dr. Federico Mucci
	How ReAttach becomes the primary treatment by a pediatrician working in psychosocial medicine clinic.  Dr. Eric Sulkers
16.30	Environmental factors affecting participation of individuals with autism spectrum conditions: implications for person centered planning Ivana Vasiliveska Petrovska
	Autism in the eye of the beholder. A hedgehog or a cactus? Asia Dimitrova

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14.00	<b>ReAttach a Positive Psychology Intervention</b> Dr. Ashutosh Srivastava
	ReAttach and Conduct Disorder: a Case-Study Dr. Ritu Chauhan
14.30	The use of virtual reality for pupils with autism to reduce anxiety levels and develop social skills.  Ange Anderson
	Mathematics for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders Constanta Georgeta Rosca
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