

STATEMENT

Ewa Glod (Polish Psychoanalytical Society)

I am a psychologist by profession, a graduate of the University of Warsaw.

Between 1999 and 2006 I received my psychoanalytic training at the Polish Psychoanalytical Society.

I am a training analyst at the Polish Psychoanalytical Society and have been an active member of my society for many years, where I have held various positions - I was a member of the Board from 2009 to 2011, then a member of the Training Committee. From 2015-2019, I served two terms as President of the Polish Psychoanalytical Society.

From 2020 to 2024, I was a member of the EPF Executive in the position of General Secretary. During this time, one of my tasks was to represent the EPF, together with the President Heribert Blass at international meetings. This gave me many opportunities to discuss current controversies about psychoanalysis with the IPA authorities, as well as with colleagues from other regions. This period has greatly broadened my knowledge of the complexity of the issues in the different regions, but also gave me the opportunity to understand the European perspective on difficult and contentious issues concerning training procedures and the role of the IPA.

I come from Eastern Europe and I understand very well that sometimes special geo-political circumstances require unique regulations in the training system in order to allow psychoanalysis to develop in a particular region. Such special conditions were created by the IPA in agreement with the EPF for Central and Eastern Europe in the 1990s, which enabled the dynamic development of psychoanalysis in this region. At the same time, I remember how crucial it was to monitor this process by the relevant IPA bodies (the Liason Committee and the Sponsoring Committee). This provided us with great support and helped us to overcome our internal crises. I am also convinced that, thanks to this support,

both I and many colleagues from this part of Europe were able to receive a really solid psychoanalytic training. Therefore, I think that in discussions about psychoanalytical training now, on the one hand, it is very important to take into account the specifics of the region and to have a mutual dialogue, but at the same time it is extremely important to maintain the basic, common conditions for psychoanalytic training with the support of the IPA and regional federations.

In my view, the description of the specific circumstances and conditions for a change of training mode should be monitored by the relevant IPA bodies and treated as exceptions rather than as variations to the Procedural Code. We are living in difficult times, under the pressure of populism and easy solutions, so preserving the common ground of psychoanalysis seems to me particularly valuable.

I believe that I am quite well prepared to apply for the position of IPA European Representative. I would be grateful for every vote cast for me.

Candidates for European Representative (in alphabetical order)

List of Positions

Polish Psychoanalytical Society:

- 2009-2011 I was the member of the Executive Board, in position of Treasurer
- 2011-2015 - I was a member of the Training Committee as a member of the Subcommittee on Candidate Evaluation
- 2015-2019 - I was the President of the Polish Psychoanalytical Society (two terms)

European Psychoanalytical Federation:

- 2020-2024 I was the member of the Executive on the position of General Secretary