

Criteria for supporting the promotion of solution-focused thinking and practices

Introduction

The European Brief Therapy Association (EBTA) was formed in 1993 to promote and support solution-focused thinking and practices in Europe and beyond. Support to those who are endeavouring to promote solution-focused thinking and practices is coordinated by the International Cooperation Task Group in discussion with the EBTA Board. The EBTA Board makes available to the task group a fund for situations where financial support would be particularly useful.

Ways that support can be provided

Support can be provided in a number of ways,

- Financial
- The active involvement of a EBTA Board or a task-group Member
- Letters of support
- Other ways of being involved that show that EBTA is supporting an initiative and wishes to contribute to the credibility of the initiative by so doing.
- Use of EBTA logo as evidence of support of conferences.

Criteria for providing support

1. The proposer can demonstrate that the initiative has been well considered and has a good likelihood of promoting solution-focused thinking and practices in the area.
2. The initiative is not the promotion of the proposer's private business, instead it is if possible a joint venture with other local actors.
3. The proposer can demonstrate that she/he has a good understanding of solution-focused thinking and practices.
4. Where the proposer seeks financial support she/he also seeks other potential sources of funds available to them.
5. The proposer is willing to join EBTA and contribute something to EBTA once the initiative has happened, such as a presentation at a EBTA conference or a written account for the website.
6. The International Task Group can be confident that involvement with the initiative will not bring EBTA into disrepute.
7. In the event of it being agreed that a conference can use the EBTA logo, the conference
 - a. will define the relationship between EBTA and the conference as "supported by"
 - b. offer members of EBTA a reduction of at least 10%.
 - c. make EBTA promotional materials available at the conference
 - d. have in place an organising committee to plan the conference and ensure that plans are on track