

11th International Congress of Coaching Psychology

Updates on Coaching Psychology around the globe

COPC, Catalunya (Spain)

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"Enhancing Wellbeing,
Managing Complexity and
Navigating Transition
through Positive and
Coaching Psychology"

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In Spain, the **psychology profession** is regulated by the official psychology societies, which is where the activities and development of **coaching psychology** take place.



Throughout Spain there are **23 societies** (known as "Colegios Oficiales de Psicología", **COP**), that are grouped into the <u>General Psychology</u> <u>Council of Spain</u> (known as **CGCOP**), with **77,800** chartered members. The CGCOP is a member of the European Federation of Psychologists' Associations (EFPA).



One of these societies is the <u>Col·legi Oficial de Psicologia de Catalunya</u> (known as **COPC**), that has four provinces (*Barcelona, Girona, Lleida* and *Tarragona*) and **16,200** chartered members.



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The COPC is organised into professional sections; one of these is the **Coaching Psychology Section**, which I am representing as president. It was created in **2012** with about 100 people, and currently has **510 members**, from the different fields (organisational, educational, life, health, sports, etc.).



In the framework of the 1st International Congress of Coaching Psychology-Spain (Barcelona, 11th-12th October, 2011), the COPC signed a MoU with the ISCP, an agreement to work together in support of the development of coaching psychology. This MoU was updated in May 2019 to recognise that both accreditation systems for coaching psychologists are equivalent.



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The mission of our section:



- ✓ To respond to the needs and expectations of the coaching psychologists, ensuring the consolidation of their professional role and differentiated positioning in the market.
- ✓ With the new scenario of COVID-19 and post COVID, to give support to refocussing our profession, turning a crisis into an opportunity, reinventing oneself to navigate adversity, uncertainty and "new normal": training new skills for remote working and leadership, for virtual relationships, for resilience, to manage time and emotions, etc.

Right now, **positive and coaching psychology** face an important role and a big challenge!



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- ✓ **Trained** coaching psychologists: **600** (initial & advanced level)
- ✓ Certified coaching psychologists: 150
- ✓ **ISCP Affiliated** members: **100** (as agreed in the MoU)
- ✓ ISCP Accredited members: 40 (as agreed in the MoU)



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- ✓ The psychology societies of Spain programme and carry out conferences, roundtables, workshops and courses to continue diffusion and training in coaching psychology.
- ✓ They also accredit coaching psychologists (COP Catalunya:
 140; COP Madrid: 100; COP Comunitat Valenciana: 80; and
 COP Región de Murcia: 15), ensuring the best practices and
 promoting the recognition by the society in general.



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Strategic Plan 2020-2022 of our section:

- ✓ To stimulate the activity of the section's members (working groups).
- ✓ To further professional development: training (courses, workshops, conferences, roundtables...., now most online) and accreditation (requirements: training, experience and supervision).
- ✓ To consolidate the coaching psychologist brand: "Institutional Manifesto on Coaching Psychology" (approved by the CGCOP, 2019).
- ✓ To further supervision: training and professional service for coaching psychologists.
- ✓ To further research: training, awards, support for PhD thesis, publications in journals, etc.





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12th International Congress of Coaching Psychology-Spain, 2022 Virtual Conference

"Coaching Psychology for the Adjustment of Organisations and People over the next 10 years"



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