



EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR TRANSACTIONAL ANALYSIS

Executive Committee in agreement with Professional Training Standards Committee

Dear members of EATA,

This mail is directed to all of you who are interested on the topic of online exams.. It is both for an updating of the exam online process, and state of the art, and to share information about the recent decisions taken by PTSC in this pandemic time.

PTSC has undertaken a lengthy process in order to work on the possibility of developing online exams, with the goal of ensuring both the needed rigorous standards and protection of candidates (CTA and TSTA) as well as providing opportunities to be examined. This process will be described throughly in the next issue of the EATA Newsletter.

EATA CTA exams online will be taking place, and dates for the next venues will be communicated on the website.

Following to a mock TSTA exam and its evaluation by external observers and their report, the decision of PTSC has been that online TSTA exams will be developed and take place, during pandemic times or other exceptional times, since at the moment there is uncertainty about possible future developments.

The Theory part of the TSTA exams will be the first part of the exam to be held online. Available dates will be communicated on the website as soon as possible, most probably within May 2021.

Concerning the Supervision part of the exam there are concerns at the moment, PTSC needs to further develop a procedure which will provide enough protection for all people involved in this part of the exam, therefore the Supervision part of exams will not be held online at the moment; It will be held, following to the needed adjustments, within the second half of 2021. It will anyway be possible to take the Supervision part of exams within one year after having passed the theory

part of the exam, this will be possible in any combination of online and/or in-presence-exams.

There are serious concerns about the Teaching part of the TSTA exam. Therefore PTSC has decided not to run Teaching exams online at the moment. Further work will be done concerning this part of the exam, to develop a format in which to evaluate the different skills required for teaching online.

PTSC has also decided that contracts will be extended ,as long as the pandemic will last (see PTSC Updating on EATA's Website), also for those wishing to take their exam in presence, and not online.

Please be sure that PTSC in agreement with EC will do their best to make this transition as professional , and as smooth as possible.

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