



**Scientific Conference "Invisible Powers of Nature"**

Dolphin Assisted Therapy Center

Lithuanian Sea Museum

Smiltynės Str. 4, Klaipėda

*9.30 - 10.00 opening of the conference*

*Mrs. Olga Žalienė, director of the Lithuanian Sea Museum*

*Representative of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Lithuania*

*Representative of the Lithuanian Healthy Living and Alternatyve Medicine Organization*

*Representative of the Ministry of Social Protection of the Republic of Estonia*

*Representative of the Education Exchanges Support Foundation*

10.00-10.15 "Reglamentation of Complementary and Alternative Medicine in Lithuania". Giedrė Kavaliauskienė, M.D., Klaipėda University, Lithuania.

10.15-10.30 "Formation of Rehabilitation Cluster for Children of North-Western Lithuania. Process and Initial Results". Žilvinas Malinauskas, Ph.D., Rehabilitation center "Palangos gintaras", Lithuania.

10.30-10.50 "The Progression and Development of People with Autism through Informal Activities Involving Animals". Ruth Rogers, Red2Green organization, England.

10.50-11.05 "Methods, Possibilities and Necessity of Therapies for Children with Emotional and Behavioural Disorders". Aurelija Kasperavičienė, Švėkšna Special Education Centre, Lithuania.

11.05-11.20 "Pet Assisted Therapies at Esperando Association Baia Mare - Romania". Daniel Filipas, Esperando Association, Romania.

11.20-11.35 Coffee break

*Thematic block1: Dolphin Assisted Therapy*

11.35-12.00 "The Influence of Dolphin Assisted Therapy on the Development of Social and Communication Skills". Oksana Dąbrovska, Ph.D., Fundacja “Dobra Wioska”, Poland.

12.00-12.20 "The Effect of Breathing and Swallowing on the Development of Linguistic Competencies - Contemporary Methods of Therapy, Dolphin Assisted Therapy". Małgorzata Konczanin, Ph.D., Association "Ad Verbum Centrum Terapii Mowy i Dysleksji" / Centrum Medyczne Nzoz, Poland.

12.20-12.40 "The Development of the Child's Speech under the Influence of Dolphin Therapy - Correct Diagnosis and Effective Therapeutic Methods", Ewa Małachowska, Ph.D., Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Poland.

12.40-13.00 "Dolphin Assisted Therapy in Lithuanian and International Context: Scientific Groundwork and Regulation". Brigita Kreivinienė, Ph.D., Lithuanian Sea Museum / Klaipėda University, Lithuania.

13.00-14.00 Lunch

*Thematic block2: Canine therapy*

14.00-14.20 "Psychological and physiological effects of dog assisted therapy: results of meta-analysis". Vilmantė Pakalniškienė, Ph.D., Vilnius University / Association of dog assisted therapy, Lithuania.

14.20-14.40 "Dog Assisted Interventions in Estonia. Challenges and Possibilities". Maarja Tali, "The Estonian Assistance and Therapy Dogs Association", Estonia.

14.40-15.00 "Canine therapy of "Linksmosios pėdutės" in Klaipėda: the Beginning and First Results". Natalia Zukhbaya, NGO "Linksmosios pėdutės", Laura Aširovienė, Klaipėda "Medeinės" special school, Lithuania.

15.00-15.20 "ARCE Project. Dog Assisted Intervention at Special Schools". Riaño Galán, Ana María, Ph.D., C.E.E. Dr. Fernando Arce/Asociación APETTECE, Spain.

15.20-15.35 Coffee Break

*Thematic block3: Horse and Donkey therapy*

15.35 - 15.55 "On the Right Way on Horseback". Iren Piti, "On the Right Way on Horseback" Foundation (JoUton-LohatonAlapitvany), Hungary.

15.55-16.15 "Effects of Therapeutic Horseback Riding on Human Body". Jurgita Rutkienė, Agnė Savenkovienė, Šiauliai University, Lithuania.

16.15-16.35 "Equine Assisted Therapy and Learning in Natural Environment". Hele Aluste, Sven Aluste, Equilibre NPO, Estonia.

16.35-16.55 "The Donkey, Why?" Ivano Scorzato, PhD, C.I.A.O. “La Tela di Carlotta” Centro Interventi Assistiti con gli Animali Olistico, Italy.

16.55-17.10 Discussions and closing of the conference

17:10 Bus to the ferry