5<sup>th</sup> International Viktor Frankl Congress – The Future of Logotherapie Sept. 9-12. Valencia, Spain

Dear colleagues, dear friends,

many of you might have wondered about the implications of the current Covid-19 crisis for the upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> International Viktor Frankl Congress – The Future of Logotherapie 5, scheduled to take place Sept. 9-12 in Valencia, Spain.

In the light of the global health emergency we are facing, we, as organizers, fully adhere to the guidelines issued by health authorities and the WHO.

Given that the situation is dynamic, our World Congress is faced with a number of uncertainties, and we will therefore regularly send out communications on the current status of the Congress. Please note, however, that we strongly advise those who plan to attend to buy refundable tickets to Valencia in case that last-minute changes might be necessary (for example, a 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of infections in late summer/autumn as some models predict).

We all wish and hope that we soon will be able to get a grip on this health emergency, with all its socio-economic and moral implications. We all are called to contribute to this according to our possibilities and responsibilities.

Hence meaningful contributions of the logotherapeutic community are especially important and necessary at this time as many people struggle to overcome the situations of adversity that affect them – psychologically, socially, and economically. Sharing our reflections and actions, personal and institutional, is one possibility to stand together in these difficult times and, equally important, could be an important way for logotherapy to contribute to society at large.

We therefore would like to encourage Congress submissions specifically pertaining to topics raised during the Covid-19-crisis and likely relevant during its aftermath (such as: coping, resilience, life rebuilding, social development, as well as PTSD and bereavement counselling).

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Looking forward to hearing from you!

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