

**Founding Report IFAAET**  
**(International Federation of Anthroposophic Arts and Eurythmy Therapies)**

On 12 September 2011 the foundation of IFAAET took place in Dornach.

*"If you want to build a ship, don't begin by collecting wood, cutting the planks and arranging the work, but awaken in the inner man a longing for the great and wide sea."*

*(Antoine de Saint-Exupéry)*

*...Let our ship also swim along on the great ocean of health policy...*

*(Minutes 14 Sept. 2013 AGM)*

Kistin Kaiser, Nurene Armajani, Susan Bäuke - AKT and Angelika Jaschke, Monika Folz-EYT, were instrumental in the founding initiative.

The impetus was the question of why eurythmy therapy and art therapy, both of which have a basic artistic training as a prerequisite, have not yet been able to find legal recognition at the political-legal level (except in Switzerland). This legally recognised federation was founded in order to bring this further on a supranational political-legal level.

The term "Anthroposophical Artistic Therapies" was chosen in the statutes, as it has been in use nationally for a long time in some countries as alliances.

The representatives of the **AKT professional associations** from NL, GB, CH, AT, as well as **the EYT professional associations** from CH, SE, GB and Ireland, IT, DE, AT, RU participated as founding members. (International Newsletter No 10 2013)

In 2013 more members and interested parties joined, five EYT professional associations BE; FR; IS; SA, JP and five AKT professional associations BE, BR, FR, USA,SE: Korea EYT and New Zealand (AKT) showed interest. (International Newsletter No 10 2013)

In the coming years, the website, flyers and logo were created internally and work was done on revising the statutes.

Participation in **CAM (Complementary and Alternative Medicin)** conferences in Brussels (European Parliament), Scientific Congress of AM in Leiden and contact with **IVAA** (Federation of Anthroposophic Doctors Association).

Joining AnthroMed for IFAT members was made possible in 2013.

Membership and collaboration through delegates in **EUROCAM** and **ANME**.

**In September 2020 renaming to IFAT** (International Federation of Anthroposophic Therapies) and thus opening for anthroposophically recognised therapies and submission of the newly developed IFAT statutes.