## Preface

Exploring Uncharted Territories in Psychological Assessment: The EFPA New Horizons in Psychological Assessment conference

We extend our warmest welcome to the abstract book of the EFPA New Horizons in Psychological Assessment conference, scheduled in dual modality on the 22nd and 23rd of September 2023 in Padova, Italy. Within these meticulously assembled abstracts, we invite you to embark on a dynamic journey into the forefront of psychological assessment. It is a journey that promises to challenge your understanding, expand your horizons, and ignite your passion for the science of assessment.

The EFPA New Horizons in Psychological Assessment conference serves as an intellectual nexus, uniting experts, scholars, and practitioners in the field of psychological assessment from across the globe. It is a platform where innovation converges with tradition, where insights from diverse perspectives pave the way for the future.

This conference promises to be a truly enriching experience, with a program that comprises not only traditional presentations but also interactive scientific round tables, illuminating symposia, thought-provoking regular talk sessions, and a groundbreaking video poster session. Together, these components weave a tapestry of knowledge that captures the essence of contemporary psychological assessment.

**Scientific Round Tables:** Our two scientific round tables are dedicated to the most pressing and transformative issues in psychological assessment. Leading experts will engage in insightful dialogues on these topics, providing fresh perspectives and sparking critical debates.

**Symposia:** The heart of the conference lies in its five symposia. These symposia offer indepth explorations of specific themes and subjects, shedding light on the latest advancements, methodologies, and applications in psychological assessment.

**Regular Talk Sessions:** With five regular talk sessions, attendees will have the opportunity to delve into a myriad of topics, ranging from cutting-edge methodologies to applied research. These sessions offer a platform for scholars and researchers to present their work, fostering an environment of collaboration and exchange.

**Video Poster Sessions:** Breaking new ground in the way we present research, our video poster sessions offer a dynamic and engaging format. Here, researchers will present their work in bite-sized video presentations, allowing for a rich visual and auditory experience.

This compilation of abstracts is a testament to the dedication and passion of the contributors. It represents countless hours of research, analysis, and innovation. Each abstract not only presents discoveries but also poses new questions, challenging the boundaries of knowledge in psychological assessment. As you delve into these abstracts and engage with our diverse sessions, we encourage you to embrace the spirit of inquiry and discovery that defines the EFPA New Horizons in Psychological Assessment conference. Let these abstracts and sessions inspire you, push your boundaries, and encourage you to contribute to the exciting future of psychological assessment.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the researchers, scholars, and contributors whose work graces these pages. Your tireless efforts enrich not only your respective fields but also the collective landscape of psychological assessment.

In closing, we invite you to immerse yourself in the abstracts and sessions within these pages. May they inspire you, provoke your curiosity, and fuel your own contributions to the ever-evolving field of psychological assessment. Together, we stand at the threshold of new horizons, shaping the future of psychological assessment through our shared commitment to scientific excellence.

Warmest regards,

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