

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

AND

THE ECUADORIAN SOCIETY OF PSYCHOTHERAPY



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ASSOCIATION



THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (APA) AND THE  
ECUADORIAN SOCIETY OF PSYCHOTHERAPY (SEPs) AGREE AS FOLLOWS

**Whereas,**

the Bylaws of the APA and the Statutes of the SEPs share mutual objectives calling for the advancement of the discipline in the public interest; and

**WHEREAS,**

it is desirable to have integration and exchange between the psychological organizations in the United States and Ecuador; and

**WHEREAS,**

mutual concerns make it likely that occasions for joint consultation and cooperation will present themselves in the years to come; and

**WHEREAS,**

both organizations wish to anticipate such occasions by establishing a framework, when possible, for their timely discussion;

**NOW THEREFORE,**

the APA and the SEPs affirm and reaffirm their working relations in this Memorandum of Understanding.

**Furthermore,**

pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding, the executives of the APA and the SEPs shall maintain regular communication to discuss matters of common concern.

**FINALLY,**

the APA and the SEPs will seek to identify projects and activities in which they may work together, assist or support one another, or otherwise cooperate for the betterment of psychology and the public interest.

**SIGNED** on behalf of:

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