



ACTO Patron - Anne Stokes

ACTO is proud and excited that Anne Stokes, a pioneer in the online profession, has become ACTO's first patron. This is a great honour for ACTO as we move forward into 2020 and beyond. You can read about Anne on the ACTO website.



ACTO Competences

ACTO is delighted to publish the new ACTO Online Competences. This is a live document, designed to support online therapists, and those providing training, to consider all aspects of working therapeutically and ethically online. We have built on the excellent work created and by Anne Stokes in

As this is a live document, ACTO will be encouraging all members and professionals involved in the online field to comment and contribute to these competencies.



ACTO member Register

ACTO recognises that not all members wish to advertise on the directories, while it is important that they are able to demonstrate to members of the public that they are a professional member of ACTO, and therefore trained and work to a high level of competences and ethical-mindedness.

In response to this need, ACTO is building on the creation of the new Directories, by beginning work on developing a register of members.



International Directory

"The way to hell is paved with good intentions!"

This is certainly true of the International Directory.

The basic form of the Directory was ready in October, but the gremlins have been playing havoc behind the technology and we've struggled to get it all to work. However, the techno-elves are battling away to get this sorted.

The Directory will be a work in progress from the start. Gathering about 15 useful bits of information for nearly 200 countries, is quite a task.

We will rely on ACTO members to populate the Directory as we go along.



We have a small team behind the scenes who will co-ordinate this – but we could really use a couple more people to join us.

Please will you consider helping us as we gather pace with the Directory?

It promises to be a pleasant enough task, unpressured but interesting
- exploring all corners of the circular globe to find out what's happening in online therapy.

200th member benefit!

ACTO will shortly receive an application for our 200th member. In celebration of this ACTO will give this member free membership for their first year, and free Privacy4 membership



ACTO members competition

ACTO will shortly launch a regular blog competition, with the prize of a voucher to purchase a short online course or workshop from one of ACTO's Online Training Providers. Details to follow for the first competition in the summer.

