

## **Annual General Meeting, 27 March 2020 Co-chair's Report**

2019 was an outstanding year for us. We held our first conference in mainland Europe, welcoming more than 120 members from across the region. We welcomed 60 new members and continued to see growth of our ever-popular regional Connect Groups. Added to this we provided a series of one day event run by members for the community. These are listed on the Calendar of Connections. We've also appointed four new Board members and you can find a full list of our Board on our website here, <https://odneurope.org/about/board/>

In 2019 we began a three year strategic plan focussing on our priorities of:

- Building a pan-European OD community
- Supporting the growth of emerging OD communities
- Maintaining and growing our heritage base in the UK
- Increasing membership diversity
- Creating the conditions for the OD community to connect, self-manage, and thrive

The work highlighted is key to our progress in many of these areas. Our membership now represents 14 different countries and our growth in events, often alongside other partners, is enabling that to continue to grow.

We look forward to working with you, our members, in 2020 and thank you for the support you provide to ODN Europe. There is lots to look forward to – we are relaunching our mentoring programme and planning events in Vienna, Skopje, Bucharest and Cluj. The Skopje/ Macedonia event is a one day conference on 27 May 2020 and is being hosted by our two Board members from Macedonia.

It would be great to meet with you next month at our Annual Conference at the Warwick Conference Centre on 23-24 April. Entitled “Disruption and Disruptive Practice”, the event will feature presentations and workshops delivered by leading practitioners. Full details are available here: <https://odneurope.org/odne-2020-annual-conference-disruption-and-disruptive/>

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