

Collaboration for Impact Award: Celebrating Joint Occupational Therapy-Speech and Language Therapy Work in Clinical Practice

The COTEC-ESLA Collaboration for Impact Award recognises, and rewards collaborative clinical initiatives between occupational therapists and speech and language therapists that promote our professions for the benefit of our clients and service users. It celebrates projects that showcase the impact of collaborative working that involves clients and inspires colleagues.

Who Can Apply?

This opportunity is open to Occupational Therapists and Speech-Language Therapists. At least one OT as well as one SLT within the team must be members of one of COTEC's or ESLA's member organisations. The lead contact person must be a registered practitioner with one of said organisations.

What do you need to do?

The submitted project must reflect an existing project that includes the two professions of Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy. Interested professionals are to fill in the application below or alternatively create a short video (less than 5 minutes) outlining the key information below. Email the application form/video to cotec-esla@coteceurope.eu

Deadline for Submission: 11 December 2023

Evaluation Process

All applications will be evaluated by a panel including representatives from both COTEC and ESLA, in addition to clinical representatives from Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy.

The winning submission will be awarded with the Collaboration for Impact Award, and one registration to both the OT-Europe and ESLA European Congresses with the possibility to showcase their project.

The short-listed 4 projects will be invited to give a short presentation about their project during a webinar organised jointly by COTEC and ESLA in the first half of 2024, during which the winner will be announced.

Candidates will be marked under the following headings:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Promotion of professional identity ● Fostering integration/ MDT working ● Empowerment and involvement of clients ● Meaningful clinical outcomes for clients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sustainability of the intervention ● Clinical context (inclusive of difficulties/challenges within that geographical context)
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Application form

Name of lead contact person: _____

Profession of lead contact: _____

Work Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

COTEC/ESLA membership Association: _____

Signature of applicant: _____

Other team members and Profession: _____

Date project was established: _____

Your project / intervention:

Title of project: _____

Description of project (max 500 words)

Background to the Project (please refer to clinical reasoning behind project, supporting theory/evidence base, inter-professional learning, relevant contextual factors) (max 500 words)

Outcomes of the project: (outcomes should be clear and measurable) (max 400 words)
