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## CROATIA

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### Country information:

**Population: 4.500.000**

**Number of Physiotherapists:**

- in the association: 1238

- in the country:

### Headquarters:

The Croatian Council of Physiotherapists is both a professional body and regulatory body and has its own headquarter and has four staff employers and managing director. The organisation holds regular Executive Committee meetings (one per month) and furthers liaisons with other health care professions and authorities

### Migration Information:

Because Croatia is not a member of the European Union the European Region of the WCPT does not keep information on the migration procedures for this country. Please contact the Croatian Association for further information.

### Physiotherapy Education:

There are 4 physiotherapy schools in the country with about 220 students per year and the number is rising. Studies take 3 years (min. 2.700 hrs) Studies result in an academic degree. and allow for postgraduate courses. Physiotherapists are involved in both teaching and research. Schools training goes on for 3 years



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## Status of profession:

Professional Title/ Qualification: Bachelor Physiotherapists(Baccalureus Fizioterapeut) The title and the professional activity are protected by the law. The rules of professional conduct (code of ethics) are determined directly by Croatian Council for Physiotherapists. Croatia requires a registration to practice by the Croatian Council for Physiotherapists. The physiotherapist must be registered with the Croatian Council of Physiotherapists and obtain a licence to practice. The national authority responsible for the physiotherapy profession in Croatia is the Croatian Council for Physiotherapists.

## Practice of physiotherapy:

Physiotherapy services in the Croatia are determined by the profession. The physiotherapist has clinical autonomy.

The Croatia offers both public and private physiotherapy services.

The insurance cover for physiotherapy is paid both through the national health care system and privately the patient.

## Twinning:

The Croatian has not yet established any twinning program but the we hereby announces its wishes to do so.