

Open Call for Research Participants

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This is an open call for certified body psychotherapists to participate in a PhD research in the School of Therapy, Counseling, and Human Development at the University of Haifa, about the professional identity of body-psychotherapists.

For the purpose of this study, I am interviewing certified body-psychotherapists in order to understand how they define, describe, and interpret their professional identity and experiences.

To qualify for participation, therapists should have:

1. Completed their Body Psychotherapy training and received their certification.
2. Be in active practice for at least 2 years.

The interviews will be conducted in English or Hebrew, and will take place at a time and place of your choosing, face-to-face in The Netherlands or online.

Each interview is expected to last 60-90 minutes and will be recorded for transcription. The recordings will be stored on a secure drive and will be used for research purposes only. The recordings will be deleted immediately after the interviews are transcribed - up to a month from the date of the recording.

Important:

- * The participation in the study is voluntary and all information collected will be used for research purposes only.
- * Your personal information will be kept confidential and the data will be accessible only by the research team.
- * The publication of the research findings will occur in a way that will protect the anonymity of the participants and without any identifying information.

For more information and to apply to participate in the research, please contact Yaniv Gafner directly via one of the following:

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Please also share this with anyone who you think might be interested in participating.

Thank you,



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