Florence, It – The Comité Permanent de Liaison des Orthophonistes/Logopèdes de l’Union Européenne (Standing Liaison Committee of Speech and Language Therapists / Logopedists in the European Union) - will be holding its ninth scientific congress on May 8th and 9th in Florence, Italy. During two days, Speech and Language Therapists from 37 different countries will be united under the motto „Open the doors to communication“, for a program of oral speeches, workshops and poster presentations concerning the different aspects of speech, language, communication and oral functions and their impairments.

The umbrella organisation CPLOL, which groups thirty-five national professional organizations of Speech and Language Therapists / logopedists in thirty-two countries, represents more than 85'000 professionals. Every three years, we organize a scientific congress in one of the member country: in 2015 the FLI - Federazione Italiane dei Logopedisti is hosting the congress, which immediately follows their own national congress in the same location.

With keynote speakers from Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States topics will be addressed on a scientific level about neurological disorders, voice, speech acquisition, professional education and practice, and development. Presenters from Europe, North and South America, Australia and Africa will be presenting researches in the logopedic field in one hundred and fifty presentations and workshops.

Uniting professionals with the common interest in treating people of all ages, social classes and origins who suffer from impairment in their oral or written speech, their communication, their nutrition or swallowing will transform the “Palazzo degli Affari” in an exhilarating place, creating synergies and connections and supporting the development of a growing profession.

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