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## **The International Connection** April 2022

**Greetings!**

### **2022 World Family Therapy Congress in Puerto Rico Delights**

When Puerto Rico was named as the 2022 World Congress location, the Congress Board wasn't sure how the pandemic would affect the congress, or, whether IFTA would be able to gather. But, the IFTA officers and staff were surprised by the turnout. Just over 200 people attended the Congress!

The Congress featured Ruben Parra-Cardona as the plenary speaker. His topic was implementing community-based prevention with Latinx populations by integrating family therapy core theories, rigorous science, and social Justice.

### **Many workshops presented....**

At the 2022 World Family Therapy Congress there were 124 presenters and 136 presentations. In addition to the workshops, there were 20 posters shown during the Poster Session.

### **Many countries represented...**

Each year the IFTA World Congress draws people from many countries. With the COVID-19 pandemic closing our 2022 Congress (Switzerland) and making our 2021 Congress a Virtual one, IFTA Prsdiend Joyce Ma siad, "I think it is remarkable that over 200 people were determined to get together and met in San Juan!"

### **Tentative Dates for 2022 - 23:**

- **May 15: 2023 Congress Web Site OPENS**
- **May 20: 2023 Call for Proposals OPENS**





**Ruben Parra-Cardona**  
**Keynote Speaker in PR**



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