

## In Memoriam - Professor Michel Boulanger



It is with profound and great sadness that the World Federation of Hydrotherapy and Climatotherapy announces the passing of [Professor Michel Boulanger], from Loraine University of Nancy, a distinguished member of FEMTEC and a tireless advocate for the advancement of hydrotherapy and climatotherapy.

Professor Michel Boulanger was a respected scientist, educator, and clinician whose contributions profoundly influenced balneo-crenotherapy. Through decades of dedicated work, he played a pivotal role in promoting evidence-based practices, fostering international collaboration, and mentoring generations of professionals committed to natural therapeutic factors.

Professor Michel Boulanger was not only a respected academic and clinician, but also a visionary leader behind the Nancy Thermal project, a landmark initiative that revitalized the heritage of thermal medicine in the Lorraine region and transformed it into a modern hub of balneotherapy, combining scientific rigor with a deep respect for tradition and natural healing.

His passion, insight, and unwavering commitment to human well-being through natural healing modalities have left an indelible mark on balneotherapy.

His legacy lives on in the institutions he helped build, the professionals he mentored, and the many lives improved through his dedication. In honouring his legacy, we recommit ourselves to the principles he championed and the vision he held for a healthier world through balneo-crenotherapy integrated with conventional medicine.

We extend our deepest condolences to his family, colleagues, and all who had the privilege of working with and learning from him.

With respect and remembrance,

Olga Surdu - FEMTEC President