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- Born in Naples, Italy on June 20, 1953.
- MD (Naples, 1977); Specialist in Psychiatry (Naples, 1981); PhD in Behavioural Sciences (Umeå, Sweden, 1986).
- Professor of Psychiatry and Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, University of Naples (1992-present). Professor of Mental Hygiene, University of Naples (1985-1992).
- President, World Psychiatric Association (2008-2011). WPA Secretary for Publications (1999-2005).
- President, European Psychiatric Association (2003-2004). Chairman, AEP/UEMS/ WHO/WPA Task Force (2003-2004). Coordinator, European Community Project on Burden on the Families of Patients with Schizophrenia (1994-1997). Coordinator, European Community Project on the Implementation of Psychoeducational Interventions for Families of Patients with Schizophrenia (2000-2004).
- Founder and Editor of World Psychiatry, official journal of the WPA (impact factor: 26.561, ranking no. 1 among psychiatric journals and among all journals included in the Social Sciences Citation Index). Honorary Fellow, Royal College of Psychiatrists, UK (2012). Honorary Fellow, American College of Psychiatrists (2013). Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Craiova (2010).
- President, Italian Psychiatric Association (2000-2002). President, Council of Italian Professors of Psychiatry (1997-2000). President, Italian Society of Biological Psychiatry (1991-present). President, Italian Society of Psychopathology (2007-2013). Founder, Italian Society of Psychiatric Epidemiology (1983). Founder, Italian Society of Psychiatric Rehabilitation (1987). Counsellor, Italian Society of Neuroscience (1995-1999).
- Member of the Italian High Council of Medicine (2006-2013). Member of the Italian Academy of Medicine (1997-present). Advisor for Mental Health to the Minister of Health (1998-present).
- Member of the Editorial Board of several international journals, including the Journal of Clinical Psychiatry, Journal of Affective Disorders, Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica, Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology, International Review of Psychiatry, Current Opinion in Psychiatry, European Psychiatry, L'Evolution Psychiatrique, World Journal of Biological Psychiatry, International Journal of Social Psychiatry.
- Active as a researcher and an educator on behalf of the World Health Organization in sub-Saharan Africa, South East Asia and Latin America (1983-1991). Chairman, Section on Neuropsychiatry, Global Programme on AIDS, WHO Headquarters, Geneva (1989-1991). Director, Italian WHO Collaborating Center for Research and Training in Mental Health (1992-present).
- Member of the Advisory Board for the Chapter on Mental and Behavioural Disorders of the ICD-11. Chairperson of the Work Group on Mood and Anxiety Disorders for the Chapter on Mental and Behavioural Disorders of the ICD-11.
- Member of the Work Group for Mood Disorders of the DSM-5. Advisor for Schizophrenia and Other Psychotic Disorders to the Task Force for the DSM-IV and the DSM-IV-TR.
- Author of more than 700 papers in scientific journals and many monographs. His H-index (Google Scholar) is 74.