



## **Antonio Vita**

Graduate in Medicine at the University of Milan in 1981. Specialization in Psychiatry from the same University in 1985. In 1988 awarded the title of Doctor of Research in Psychiatric and Relational Sciences.

After being Coordinator of the Center for Psychiatric Treatment and Rehabilitation of the Psychiatric Unit Policlinico, University of Milan (1995-2000), has been Director of the Department of Mental Health at Melegnano Hospital (Milan) (2000-2004) and, since December 2004, is Director of a Psychiatric Unit at the Department of Mental Health of the Hospital Spedali Civili of Brescia. Since February 2011 is Full Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Brescia.

He is President of the Italian Society for Psychiatric Rehabilitation, Past-Chair of the Section of Neuroimaging of the World Psychiatric Association, and President of the Italian Society for Neuroimaging in Psychiatry; member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Schizophrenia International Research Society and of the Italian Society of Biological Psychiatry.

He has been involved in the study of brain morphological and functional correlates of psychoses, especially using neuroimaging techniques. He took part in an international research network on the study of the genetics of schizophrenia. He has also adapted and applied structured cognitive rehabilitative interventions in patients with schizophrenia and is now involved in research and clinical application of cognitive remediation techniques to various psychiatric disorders.

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