

## Obituary



### In Memoriam | Anatoly Polyankin (1952 – 2022)

It is with great sadness that the General Secretariat is announcing to you that Anatoly Polyankin passed away. He was the Rector of the Graduate School of Performing Arts in Russia. Anatoly Polyankin was the Vice President of the Russian Centre of ITI and Board Member of the ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts.

“A big loss for ITI, for the ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts, for his wife and family, and for me.” Tobias Biancone, DG ITI

Please read the message that a friend of the family, Dmitry Trubochkin, has written:

*“Dear friends and colleagues,*

*It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of Anatoly Polyankin (born 2 February 1952), Rector of the Graduate School of Performing Arts, Moscow, one of the most prominent theatre managers in Russia. He died after illness on 29 June 2022.*

*Since 2013 he was the Rector of the Graduate School of Performing Arts. He was very fond and very proud of his building of the School which was created on the base of his own architectural concept. In the School, he initiated and promoted innovative educational programmes, such as “School of Practical Theatrolology”, “Social Theatre”, “Inclusive Theatre” and many more. He was a great enthusiast of international cooperation of his School and worked very actively within the ITI/UNESCO Network of Higher Education of the Performing Arts of ITI UNESCO since its First General Assembly in 2015.*

*He truly loved his colleagues and friends; he was a true creator; he managed to do a great deal to develop his lifework in the field of theatre arts, theatre management and theatre education.*

*We grieve and condole with the family of dear Anatoly.*

*Rest in peace.*

*Dmitry Trubochkin*

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