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## From the Editor

Welcome to the Spring, 2007 IAAP Newsletter. As many of you know, Dennis and I are just starting our IAAP newsletter editor careers. Our goals for the newsletter are to produce an interesting, snappy, readable one and, above all, to inform IAAP members of goings-on in International Psychology in general, and IAAP in particular. Anytime one starts something new, to get good, it takes practice and support. With every issue, we get more practice. The support we

need is from you, the members of IAAP.

Please help us by submitting news items that are around 350 words in length or a 350 word synopsis. If you send a longer article, it will appear on the IAAP website. (Because the website is being renovated, we cannot yet tell you when this will occur.) Also, please help us by providing feedback on our efforts and suggestions for the newsletter might become better.

Because another goal is to facilitate connections among IAAP members, we intend to produce no fewer than four editions of the IAAP Newsletter each year, assuming that we receive enough news to fill them. Conference announcements will be included in each edition. They will consist mostly of the same announcements that were in the last edition unless the dates have passed in which case those will have magically disappeared. Any new conference announcements will be included in the next issue after receipt. If you have conference announcements that are specific to your division, they will be listed in the Division News.

Deadlines for submissions are determined by the deadlines our publisher (Blackwell) has given us. Deadlines for submissions to the Summer and Autumn issues are May 14 and August 13, respectfully. Please submit news that has to do with your Division to your Division President or Division Newsletter Editor. Valerie (vchearn@comcast.net) will happily receive any other news.

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## The President's Corner

In an Association with the extensive range of activities that IAAP possesses there is much happening all the time, and the primary role of the *Newsletter* is to put before you a summary of a number of these wide-ranging exploits. The previous double Issue of the *Newsletter* is perhaps the best example of this for this Issue carried an article from every one of IAAP's 16 Divisions, the first time that this has happened in the history of the *Newsletter* which dates back to 1989. What this means is that all members of the Association can obtain, more or less at a glance, not only an idea of the orientation of the Divisions to which they belong but also a feeling for what IAAP as a whole

is all about.

In acknowledging this milestone I should like to congratulate each one of the Divisional Presidents for coming to the party, as it were, in order to make this memorable event possible. In addition, I should like to congratulate the present *Newsletter* editors, Valerie Hearn and Dennis Trent, for their commitment in making this happen. As a previous editor of the *Newsletter*, I value the importance they attached to this goal and I feel sure that all other previous *Newsletter* editors including Miriam Erez, Ingrid Lunt and Elizabeth Nair would share this sense of appreciation which is extended to all the present Divisional Presidents and both current *Newsletter* editors.

Another core IAAP activity has been the publication, in recent months, of three Issues of our flagship journal, *Applied Psychology: an International Review (AP:IR)*. Under Bob Wood's stimulating editorship the journal has continued to increase its standing and recognition as well as achieve a continuous growth of downloadable online articles, an increasingly high renewal rate of institutional subscriptions, and a continuous gain in the journal's financial viability. While each Issue of *AP:IR* has its own objectives which determines its particular structure and content, perhaps for present purposes it is useful to use as an example the Special Issue on Counseling Psychology that was published in January. This Issue contains articles written by 26 authors from 11 countries and presents a picture of counselling psychology across 5 continents. This is a fine example of the way IAAP is moving from being an international to a global organization.

One other dimension of our Association's activities concerns the Task Forces and Committees which were formed by the Board of Directors at the Athens Congress. While there are a number of Standing Committees such as the Membership Committee chaired by Ray Fowler, the Finance Committee chaired by Tuomo Tikkanen, the Publications Committee chaired by Miriam Erez, the Ethics Committee chaired by Janel Gautier and the ARTS (Advanced Research and Training Seminars) Committee chaired by Ingrid Lunt, perhaps those Task Forces and Committees most relevant to IAAP's general membership are the following with their respective chairs:

- Affirming Indigenous Cultures, John Berry
- Divisional Governance, Terry Hartig
- International and Regional Associations, Ray Fowler
- Survey of Athens Congress, Allan Williams
- Visibility and Impact, Mike Knowles
- Wellbeing, Michael Frese

- Women's Status, Eunice McCarthy
- Website Development, José Maria Prieto

These Task Forces and Committees represent specific matters upon which the Board of Directors is concentrating, and I feel sure that their Chairs would welcome contact from anyone wanting to know more about any particular Task Force and Committee or willing to make a contribution to its work.

The last point that I should like to cover today takes us back to the *Newsletter* itself. Although articles from the Divisions will always be at the heart of the *Newsletter*, what is published in the name of the Division will be enriched by contributions from the Divisions' members themselves. So if you come across any newsworthy items relevant to your Division please know that the *Newsletter* will benefit substantially if you send in this information to either your Divisional President or your Divisional newsletter editor. Alternatively, you may have news which cuts across a number of Divisions and is relevant to applied psychology generally which Valerie Hearn would welcome receiving as content editor of the *Newsletter*.

Kind regards and best wishes.

*Mike Knowles, President*

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IAAP members now have the opportunity to join the International Council of Psychologists (ICP) for a mere \$25 per year. ICP began as the National Council of Women Psychologists in New York with its first President, Florence L. Goodenough, being elected in 1942. In 1947 it became the International Council of Women Psychologists and in 1963 it chose to admit men, dropped the word Women from its title and became the International Council of Psychologists. With a strong clinical base, ICP is a group of psychologists from around the world who have a strong interest in international psychology both in research and the application of psychology in clinical, counselling, forensic and educational settings. For more information, contact the ICP Treasurer, Donna Goetz, at [donnag@elmhurst.edu](mailto:donnag@elmhurst.edu). She will be delighted to hear from you. You can also visit ICP at its conference at the Westgate Hotel in San Diego, Ca., which will be held on 11-14 August. Again, contact Donna for registration details.

#### **Reminders:**

The latest issue of Applied Psychology can be found on line at:

<http://www.blackwell-synergy.com/toc/apps/56/1?ai=10o&ui=1clhd&af=H>.

It is a special issue entitled *International Perspectives on Counseling Psychology*.

Members wanting to join Divisions may contact the publisher, Blackwell, by email on [membershipservices@blackwellpublishing.com](mailto:membershipservices@blackwellpublishing.com) or by telephone +44

(0)1865 778171.

Members should contact Blackwell at the email address above if they have address changes, or visit Blackwell's website at

<http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/cservices/address.asp?site=1> and update the changes.

*Valerie Hearn, Ed.*

## Division News...

### **Division 1: Work and Organizational Psychology**

#### **Survey - Work and Organizational Psychologists' Strengths Questionnaire**

On behalf of the Executive Committee of Division 1, Barbara Kozusznik and Philip Lievens are sending out a Membership Survey. This is Division 1's second survey of the opinions of its members.

As a result of our first survey we know that for Division 1 members the most important thing is to be better recognized among other professionals. Therefore, with this second survey we would like to know what the main message that we disseminate about the contribution of WOP in a global society should be.

This is also in line with the policy of IAAP to broadcast the important contributions of Psychology to the general society.

First, we have to know how good we are and what good things we do. Second, we have to present the evidence of our successful interventions to the broad public.

If our members answer the questions of the questionnaire we'll gather good material about positive WOP interventions all over the world. We'll gather information about our successes to present to the public all over the world.

The results will be presented in our Division 1 Newsletter, as well as other distribution forms, such as Division 1 Roundtables at the SIOP and EAWOP meetings in the future.

*Barbara Kozusznik, Division 1 Secretary*

### **Division 4: Environmental Psychology**

#### **Global Census for Environmental Psychologists**

One of my goals as President of the Environmental Psychology Division of the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) is to create the first global census of environmental psychologists. We belong to many different organizations around the world and, as far as I know, no one has ever tried to create a list that includes everyone. I hope that every person with **any degree of identification** as an environmental psychologist, from graduate students to the retired will participate. With the wonderful help of some colleagues, **the census form is in 6 languages.**

Someone is bound to ask whether he or she "is" an environmental psychologist. The two criteria are: (a) if you *think* you are one, then you *are* one, OR (b) if you do quantitative or qualitative research, or teach, or are a graduate student, or consult, or work in the public sector, where the topic is the relationship between human behavior, attitudes, perceptions, cognitions, or evaluations and the built, natural or virtual environment, then you "are one." Congratulations!

The census form can be found by typing the following URL into your web browser. <http://www.uvic.ca/psyc/EPCensus>

**Please enter your information..** I think you could complete the form in 5 minutes, or even less. You may choose to show all your information, or to "uncheck" some of it if you wish; any unchecked items will not be viewable by others. You will be able to see the entries of others and watch the census grow over the next several weeks.

**A most important part of this message** is to ask you to think of people who you know of who may not be on one of the two listservs that I will send this to, (APA Division 34 and EDRA). Please send it to other relevant listservs, and to individuals who may not be on any listserv. Please think of people and listservs in countries beyond the obvious ones.

If you have a question or a comment, please write to me at this address: [rgifford@uvic.ca](mailto:rgifford@uvic.ca).

OK, here again is the link to the census! <http://www.uvic.ca/psyc/EPCensus>

Environmentally yours,

*Robert Gifford*

*President, Environmental Division*

### Recent PhD Dissertations

Fischl, G, (2006). *Psychosocially Supportive Design in the Indoor Environment*. Division of Engineering Psychology, Department of Human Work Sciences, Luleå University of Technology, Sweden

The thesis applied two main approaches to design for psychosocial supportiveness. In the first approach, an Empowering Environment Evaluation tool was developed and tested in various environments. This tool provided sufficient information to generate design scenarios. The evaluation of these scenarios showed that indoor components like artificial light and windows were the most supportive environmental features. The second approach focused on restoration supportive environmental qualities. For design scenarios, these qualities were extracted from narratives using a modified lens model. The Built Environment Restoration Support questionnaire was tested to evaluate restorativeness in virtual and real settings. As a conclusion, psychosocial supportiveness could be found in architectural details providing freedom and security.

More information about this thesis can be obtained by emailing Geza Fischl at [Fischl.Geza@ltu.se](mailto:Fischl.Geza@ltu.se).

Waste water treatment plants and Nimby phenomenon: The environmental, social and individual conditions of acceptability

The Nimby or "Not In My Back Yard" phenomenon, is commonly observed in the vicinity of new facilities, that one recognizes as serving the public interest, but does not wish to see set up near one's home. Establishing or enlarging a structure has an environmental and social impact. These impacts are negative as well as positive, but it is in fact the negative aspects that hold one's attention. One encounters the Nimby phenomenon when setting up nuclear or waste management plants or when establishing psychiatric institutions or correctional facilities. In the case of waste water purification plants, *there is also* ambivalence between positively valued aspects (e.g., ensuring public health through water treatment) and negative aspects that are considered a nuisance (e.g. possible harmful effects). One can easily understand a population that does not wish to see a degradation of their living environment, fear medical risks, and are wary of environmental management and technologies. Moreover, the "Nimby" attitude is useful when considering the protection of living environments. From this point of view, the attitude is not negative, but the Nimby conflict is nevertheless a problem when one considers the question from a global point of view.

The present research consists in updating the environmental, social and individual conditions of the Nimby phenomenon with specific regard to waste water purification plants. Assuming that discomfort vis-à-vis the object in question (odour generated by the purification plant)

(1) mask other conscious or unconscious reasons for discomfort related to other aspects of the living environment, (2) is subject to the influence of the social context, and (3) can find an explanation in the personal characteristics of the residents, our hypothesis is: The acceptability or the rejection of the plant is not always determined by "objective" criteria of perception, rather: "feelings of discomfort or annoyance vis-à-vis odours rejection of the plant", is not systematic, and the action of other social, environmental and individual factors, can explain the reaction of the population.

Two purification plant sites, located in the eastern suburbs of Paris, served as fieldwork settings. The sites differ with regard to environmental and population characteristics, and to the state of advance of each project. Site 1 was undergoing enlargement work during this research, and site 2 was in planning to double its purification capacity. In total, 106 residents were questioned *in situ*, using a semi open-ended questionnaire and mental maps. The Nimby effect was operationalized through level of acceptability (level of olfactory annoyance and plant evaluation), and measured according to the following variables: environmental, social and individual. Moreover, the relation to the living environment and the source were studied as intermediate variables.

Main results show the effect of environmental variables (proximity and view on the plant), of social variables (impact of formal and informal communication), and of individual variables (personal stress factors and sociodemographic characteristics) on the acceptability or rejection of the plant. Specifically, the identification of a latent Nimby conflict among a part of the sample, allowed for consideration of the individualistic character of the population and the concept of "the general interest".

*Aimée Casal*

*Paris Descartes University and CNRS Laboratory of Environmental Psychology, UMR 8069*

### **Division 8: Health Psychology**

Division 8 members have been active in many areas. Below is a call for papers for a special journal issue on health behavior change. Our members are giving talks and organizing symposia in international congresses that feature health related topics. Below is a sample of some of these contributions along with new books and journal articles of interest to us. Also listed are upcoming conferences. Please visit our homepage (indicated below) and join Division 8 if you have not already done so.

In good health,

*Esther Greenglass*

*President, Division 8*

#### **Call for Papers for a Special Issue, *Applied Psychology: An international Review***

Conceptualizing Theory-Based Health Behavior Change Research

*Guest-Editors:* Sonia Lippke & Jochen P. Ziegelmann [slippke@zedat.fu-berlin.de](mailto:slippke@zedat.fu-berlin.de).

**Esther Greenglass**, President, Division 8 will present papers in two Invited Symposia on emotion labor and work engagement, European Congress of Work and Organizational Psychology (*EAWOP*) Stockholm, May 2007.

**Ralf Schwarzer**, Past-President, Div 8, keynote address

*The Second Middle East & North Africa Regional Conference of Psychology (2<sup>nd</sup> MENARCP)*

Amman, Jordan, April, 2007.

**Mina Westman** State-of-the-Art Address Crossover research: From spillover to crossover: Negative and positive experiences, *EAWOP*.

**Christine Schwarzer** Project head "Healthy Schools" (*OPUS*) Investigating school networks and health in students and teachers in Germany

**Irena Heszen & Barbara Mroziak (Co-ed's)** Special Issue of the *Polish Psychological Bulletin* (2006) "Health Resources of Man", dealing with such sense of coherence, spiritual resources, cognitive components of health-related behaviors, and social support

**Petra Buchwald (Ed)** (2006) *Stress and Anxiety: Application to Health, Work Place, Community, and Education*. Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

**Denise de Ridder and John de Wit (Ed)** (2006) *Self-Regulation in Health Behavior*. Wiley.

**Fiksenbaum, L., Marjanovic, Z., Greenglass, E. R., & Sue Coffey, S.** (2006). Emotional Exhaustion and State Anger in Nurses who Worked during the SARS Outbreak: The Role of Perceived Threat and Organizational Support. *Canadian Journal of Community Mental Health*, 25, 89-103.

Chirkov, V., Safdar, S., de Gusman, J., Playfords, K. (2007, May). **The role of motivation to study abroad in international students' adjustment: cross-sectional and longitudinal studies.** 3rd International Conference in Self-Determination Theory, Toronto, Canada.

**EHPS 21<sup>st</sup>** Conference of the European Health Psychology Society, Maastricht, The Netherlands

August 15 – 18, 2007

**STAR 28<sup>th</sup>** Conference of the Stress and Anxiety Research Society, Dominican Republic, July 19-22, 2007

For more information on Division 8, visit its homepage: <http://www.healthpsych.de/iaap/>

### **Division 12: Sport Psychology**

In this issue of the Newsletter I present information about selected conferences, professional meetings, and congresses our members have been involved in, as well as publications.

We are currently working on the development of the Division's homepage ([www.iaapdiv12.net.tf](http://www.iaapdiv12.net.tf)) that will be periodically updated. New links to the Psychology of Sport & Exercise Journal, the 'Stress and Anxiety Research Society', and 'European Network of Young Specialists in Sport Psychology' will be added, as well as new sections. Ideas or suggestions welcome!

Please contact me at [monruiz@yahoo.com](mailto:monruiz@yahoo.com) to get your news to all of us!

Recent Congresses and Meetings featuring Sport Psychology in 2006:

March 30-31. Edinburgh, UK. BASES Annual Student Conference [www.bases.org.uk](http://www.bases.org.uk).

June, 1-3. Denver, USA. NASPSPA Conference [www.naspspa.org](http://www.naspspa.org).

July, 8-10. Lausanne, Switzerland. 11th Annual ECSS Congress [www.ecss2006.com](http://www.ecss2006.com).

September, 10-13. Wolverhampton, UK. BASES Annual Conference. [www.bases.org.uk](http://www.bases.org.uk).

September 11-17. Guadalajara, Mexico. 1st Congress of the Iberoamerican Sport Psychology Society (SIPD) [www.sipd.org](http://www.sipd.org)

September 28-30. Lisbon, Portugal. V –Portuguese- Spanish Congress of Sport Psychology

Higher Institute of Applied Psychology (ISPA) [www.ispa.pt](http://www.ispa.pt)

November, 28-30. Paris, France. 4<sup>th</sup> INSEP International Conference of Sport Sciences. [www.insep.fr](http://www.insep.fr)

Upcoming Conferences:

**February 20-21, 2007.** Tehran, Iran. First International Congress of New Perspective and Innovation in Physical Education & Sport Science. [www.ssrciau.ir](http://www.ssrciau.ir).

**May, 22-23, 2007.** West Sussex, UK. BASES Annual Student Conference [www.bases.org.uk/newsite/studentconf.asp](http://www.bases.org.uk/newsite/studentconf.asp).

**June 16, 2007.** Springfield, Massachusetts, USA. 23rd Annual Conference on Counseling Athletes: There is No "I" in Mentor: It's All About Relationships. Contact: Katie Copeskey [mcopeskey@spfldcol.edu](mailto:mcopeskey@spfldcol.edu)

**July, 11-14, 2007.** Jyväskylä, Finland. 12<sup>th</sup> ECSS [www.jyu.fi/en/congress/ecss07](http://www.jyu.fi/en/congress/ecss07)

**September 4-9, 2007.** Halkidiki, Greece. Next FEPSAC Conference [www.fepsac2007.gr](http://www.fepsac2007.gr)

**12-14.09, 2007.** Bath. UK. BASES Annual Conference [www.bath.ac.uk/health/bases2007/index.html](http://www.bath.ac.uk/health/bases2007/index.html)

**October 13, 14-16, 2007.** Australian Conference of Science and Medicine in Sport, Sixth National Physical Activity Conference, and Fifth National Sports Injury Prevention Conference [www.sma.org.au/ACSMS/2007](http://www.sma.org.au/ACSMS/2007)

Publications:

Two interesting books were published in 2006. Joaquin Dosil's book *The Sport Psychologist's Handbook: A Guide for Sport-Specific Performance Enhancement* was published in John Wiley & Sons. Andrew M. Lane's *Mood and Human Performance: Conceptual, Measurement, and Applied Issues* was published in Nova Publishers.

"The International Journal of Sports Science & Coaching" was first published in 2006 [www.multi-science.co.uk/sports-science&coaching.htm](http://www.multi-science.co.uk/sports-science&coaching.htm)

The journal "International Review of Sport and Exercise Psychology" will be published in 2008 by Routledge/Taylor and Francis [www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/1750984X.asp](http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/1750984X.asp)

—Montse Ruiz, Div.8 Newsletter Editor

### **Division 13: Traffic and Transportation Psychology**

Our Division was very well represented at the 26<sup>th</sup> ICAP in Athens last year. The 17 sessions under our "banner" included over 50 individual papers and nearly 50 posters with over 250 authors from 23 countries. This degree and spread of participation indicates the strength of research activity within our Division. While the UK, Japan, Germany, France, Turkey, and the USA were particularly well-represented at this Congress, it was heartening to see that Iran, Qatar, Latvia and Brazil also contributed authors to traffic and transportation psychology papers.

Of particular note were the four papers authored by researchers based in different countries, in one case from four countries: Congratulations to: T. Ozkan (Finland), T. Lajunen (Turkey), H. Wallen Warner (Sweden) and G. Tzamalouka (Greece) for their paper, *Traffic climates and driver behaviours in four countries: Finland, Greece, Sweden, and Turkey*. We would like to see more comparative research presentations like this at future conferences. Congratulations

also to Jean Underwood and her colleagues for being awarded the Division 13 best paper prize for their presentation: *Reading the road: The influence of age and sex on child pedestrians' perceptions of road risk*. We were also treated to two excellent keynote addresses, *Traffic psychology today: A glance backwards and ahead*, from our in-coming Past President, Denis Huguenin, and *Driving: With due care, and attention*, from Geoff Underwood.

Quite a number of the papers delivered in the Division 4 Environmental Psychology sessions were also traffic-related, indicating a degree of overlap between the interests of some members of our two divisions. However, while it is excellent that researchers in these two sub-disciplines within applied psychology have interests in common, the prime orientation of these two divisions is sufficiently distinct for us to retain our separate identities.

At the Division 13 General Meeting held at ICAP, we welcomed 27 division members and observers. The chair and President, Denis Huguenin, announced that the Division had nominated Talib Rothengatter as an inaugural IAAP Fellow. Our congratulations to Talib on this recognition of his great efforts in helping to establish the Division as well as the journal, *Transportation Research Part F: Traffic Psychology and Behaviour*, and his numerous other contributions to this field over the years.

As we were unable to elect a President-elect at the Athens Congress, we will contact our membership with details of this election in the very near future.

We are now looking forward to the 4<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Traffic and Transportation Psychology, to be held in the Capital Hilton, Washington, DC, 31 August to 4 September, 2008. The first call for papers will be out very soon. Proposals for individual papers, group symposia, and poster presentations will be accepted. The first submission deadline is likely to be around September 2007. Bryan Porter ([bporter@odu.edu](mailto:bporter@odu.edu)) is to be congratulated for his fine job of leading and coordinating the scientific and organizational arrangements for this Congress.

—Ian Glendon, President

—Denis Huguenin, Past President

—Linda Steg, Treasurer

—Peter Chapman, Secretary

## **Division 15: Students**

### **Activities of the Division 15 at the 10th European Congress of Psychology**

In line with the main objective of Division 15 (to enhance the international network of students, to facilitate communication among them, and to promote knowledge sharing and research in applied psychology), our Division is preparing two activities for the next European Congress of Psychology, taking place from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2007 in Prague, Czech Republic. We will hold a symposium ("IAAP Division 15: Students, Over The Five Years Since Its Establishment), targeted to young researchers, undergraduate and postgraduate students. The purpose is to get acquainted with the Division's work, achievements, and activities and to stimulate their active participation in student associations, particularly, in Division 15 of the IAAP. We will outline a brief history of Division 15 (by Pedro Neves) and describe some notable achievements and an action plan for the near future (by Kristina Potocnik). Furthermore, we will present more details of our web communication tools (by Samuel García) and our Newsletter as an effective way to promote our Division (by Anna Sagana).

Moreover, Anna Sagana will moderate a round table ("Original Ways of Communication among Professionals' and Students' Associations"), aiming to underline the importance of

cooperation between professors/professionals and Students' Associations, Division 15 in our case. This event be attended by professionals, such as Mike Knowles (IAAP president), Ray Fowler (IAAP president elect), Tuomo Tikkanen (EFPA president), and Vasiliki Boukouvala (Greek representative in EFPA), as well as with student representatives in order to stimulate rich discussion about these issues.

Well, these are the "formal" activities. Once at the congress, I am sure we will get together in order to explore the wonderful city of Prague by day and night ;). Of course, anyone interested in joining us is more than welcome!

Looking forward to seeing you in Prague,

—*Kristina Potocnik*

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## Conference Announcements

### 2007

**April 27<sup>th</sup> – May 1, 2007 - Second Middle East and North Africa Regional Conference of Psychology (MENA RCP)**

**Location: Amman, Jordan.**

A Website is under construction and the First Announcement and Call for Papers is also being written.

By way of background, the Regional Conferences of Psychology are jointly sponsored ventures of the International Association of Applied Psychology, the International Union of Psychological Science, and the International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology. The general idea of these cooperative undertakings is to foster the development of psychology in selected regions of the world. Previous conferences have been organized every second year starting with Guangzhou in 1995 and followed by Mexico City (1997), Durban (1999), Mumbai (2001), Dubai (2003), Bangkok (2005) and now Amman (2007).



**May 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007 - 1st International Workshop on Complexity and Organizational Resilience**

**Location: Pohnpei, Micronesia**

The role of, and the means to achieve, resilience (the capacity to be sustainable through the impact of multitudinous future changes in a connected, dynamic

environment) are increasingly the focus of corporate strategy departments and government think tanks. The increasing volatility in economic markets, the natural environment and society generally require new tools to think about and take meaningful action toward the achievement and maintenance of resilience policies and practices.

The field of Complexity Thinking arguably has a significant role to play in informing and assisting our organizations achieve resilience in this context. This workshop aims to explore

the nature of this role and the ways in which Complexity science may be combined with other disciplines to increase resilience in many areas of human endeavor.

Further details of this event can be found at:

[http://isce.edu/ISCE\\_Group\\_Site/web-content/ISCE%20Events/Pohnpei\\_2007.html](http://isce.edu/ISCE_Group_Site/web-content/ISCE%20Events/Pohnpei_2007.html).

### June 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2007 - THE FOURTEENTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEARNING

University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. Full details of the conference, including an online call for papers form, are to be found at the conference website - <http://www.LearningConference.com>

### July 1 - 5, 2007 - 31st Interamerican Congress of Psychology: Integrating the Americas

Location: Mexico City, MEXICO

URL: [www.sipmexico2007.org.mx](http://www.sipmexico2007.org.mx)

### July 3 - 6, 2007 - 10th European Congress of Psychology

Location: Prague, Czech Republic

URL: <http://www.ecp2007.com/>

The European Congress has a tradition of being organised in cooperation with IAAP and IUPsyS. Therefore, we always see a vast number of psychologists, researchers and students from other parts of the world, too.



The abstract submission date in January has already passed, but European Congresses are naturally open to participation and meeting with colleagues without submission of an abstract.

By January 2007, there were already over 2000 submissions/registrations for the European Congress. The premises make it easy to arrange a socially and practically well-functioning Congress for more than 3000 persons.

Some of the interesting keynote speakers are listed below. Also speaking will be the winners of the Aristotle Prize 2007 and Wilhelm Wundt-William James Award 2007. The latter is a joint award granted by EFPA and the American Psychological Foundation. The names of the award recipients will be announced soon.

For a full list of the keynote speakers, state of the art speakers, invited symposia, and pre-congress workshops go to: [http://www.ecp2007.com/?page=scientific\\_programme](http://www.ecp2007.com/?page=scientific_programme).

For all of the details of the Congress please see [www.ecp2007.com](http://www.ecp2007.com)

*Tuomo Tikkanen, President EFPA, Member of IAAP Board of Directors*

### July 9 – 11, 2007 - 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Work and Family

**Harmonizing Work, Family, and Personal Life: Strategies for Crossing Boundaries, Barcelona**

The objective of the 2nd International Conference on Work and Family (ICWF) is to

create a forum for building theory to develop a better understanding of work and family relations, with special attention to the cross-cultural dimension and the application of theory in an organizational context.

The main lines of research of the ICWF are the following:

- Research of (international) family-responsible programs, policies, and practices
- Cross-cultural research of work and family
- Research on decision-making in a work-family context
- The study of expatriates and their families
- Coping and strategies for creating work-family enrichment

**July 19 – 22, 2007 - 28<sup>th</sup> Stress and Anxiety Research Society Conference**

Location: Bávaro - Punta Cana, in the Caribbean Sea

URL: <http://www.star2007.org/>.



**August 11 - 14, 2007 - International Council of Psychologists (ICP)**

Location: San Diego, California USA

URL: <http://icpsych.tripod.com/>

**August 15 – 18, 2007 - European Health Psychology Society**

Location: Maastricht, The Netherlands, with satellite events at Hasselt University, Belgium.

URL: <http://www.ehps2007.com/>.

**August 16 - 19, 2007 - 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association (APA)**

Location: San Francisco, California USA

URL: [www.apa.org/convention](http://www.apa.org/convention)

**September 9-12, 2007 - The 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference on Environmental Psychology**



Location: Bayreuth, Germany,

Papers from Environmental Psychology, Sociology, & Education, Conservation Psychology, Architectural, Investigative, & Media Psychology, Virtual Reality, Persuasive Technology, & Human Factors are welcome.

Conference language will be English. Information regarding deadlines, fees, presentations, keynotes etc. will be published on

<http://www.bayceer.uni-bayreuth.de/EP2007>. Alternatively, you may also contact the organizer Franz Bogner at [EP2007@bayceer.uni-bayreuth.de](mailto:EP2007@bayceer.uni-bayreuth.de)

**3 - 6 October, 2007 - X<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Organizational Psychology and Human Service Work «Work and Organizational Psychology in human services organizations: different European perspectives»**



## Location: Kyiv, Ukraine

### Background

Working life in Europe is changing rapidly, as far as human service work is concerned. To provide an arena for analyses and discussions of these developments, the European Network of Organizational Psychology (ENOP) initiated in 1985 a series of conferences on Work and Organizational Psychology. Originally these conferences exclusively focussed on health care, but later they developed into the broader field of human service work.

### Conference theme

**The conference will focus particularly, but not exclusively, on European perspectives of Work and Organizational Psychology application in human service work such as job control, autonomy, social leadership, skills development, team work, social support, commitment and engagement. It is the first time when the Conference from the series "Organizational Psychology and Human Service Work" is taking place in the NIS country therefore it is expected that particular attention will be paid to bridging and promoting of the East-West cooperation in the Work and Organisational Psychology of human services.**

The Invited speakers are:

- Prof. Dr. Jozien Bensing (Netherlands Institute of Health Services Research, Netherlands). **The topic of the presentation will relate to the *communication in health care (between doctor and patient) and based on the results of the researches in different European countries.***
- Prof. Dr. Quijano, Santiago D. (Social Psychology Department, Faculty of Psychology, University of Barcelona, Spain) will deliver presentation ***"The structure of construct 'people results' in Health Care Sector, according the EFQM model, in some European countries: a cross-cultural study"***.

The conference is organised by European Network of Organizational Psychology (ENOP), Paris, France in cooperation with Kostyuk Institute of Psychology (Laboratory of Organizational Psychology), Ukrainian Association of Work and Organizational Psychologists (UAOWP) and the Centre of Organizational and Economic Psychology, Kyiv, Ukraine.

The conference will take place at Hotel "Rus" located in beautiful downtown Kyiv. The conference fee is 350 Euro.

For more information regarding abstract submission, deadlines, and accommodation, please visit the web-side <http://enop2007.kiev.ua>

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**25-29. September, 2007 - 42nd Annual Conference of the Australian Psychological Society**

**Location: Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.**

[www.apconference.com.au/Content.aspx?PageID=1040](http://www.apconference.com.au/Content.aspx?PageID=1040)

2008

**July 14th-16th, 2008 - The 6th International Test Commission Conference**

Location: Liverpool, England

The conference theme is "The impact of testing on people and society: Enhancing the value of test use."

For further details and announcements, visit the ITC website at [www.intestcom.org](http://www.intestcom.org)

**July 27-31, 2008 - 4<sup>th</sup> Latin American Regional Congress of Cross-Cultural Psychology**

Location: Mexico City, MEXICO

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**July 20-25, 2008 - XXIX International Congress of Psychology**

Location: Berlin, GERMANY

URL: <http://www.icp2008.de>

**July 27-31, 2008 - 19<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Cross-Cultural Psychology**

Location: Bremen, GERMANY

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**June 27-29, 2008 - Second Annual Convention, Asian Psychological Association (APsyA)**

Location: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

URL: [www.apsya.org](http://www.apsya.org)

**Summer, 2008 - International Council of Psychologists (ICP)**

Location: St. Petersburg, Russia

URL: <http://icpsych.tripod.com/>

**August 14 - 17, 2008 - 116th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association**

Location: Boston, Massachusetts, USA

URL: [www.apa.org/convention](http://www.apa.org/convention)

**August 31 - September 4, 2008 - The 4th International Congress on Traffic and Transport Psychology**

Location: Washington, DC.

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## 2009

**July 7 - 10, 2009 - 11th European Congress of Psychology**

Oslo, Norway

URL: [www.ecp2009.no](http://www.ecp2009.no)

**August 13 - 16, 2009 - 117th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association**

Location: Toronto, Ontario, CANADA

## 2010

**July 11-16, 2010 - International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP)**

Location: Melbourne, AUSTRALIA

URL: [www.icap2010.com](http://www.icap2010.com)

## 2012

**Summer, 2012 - International Congress of Psychology**

Location: Cape Town, SOUTH AFRICA

For additional international conference announcements visit [www.am.org/iupsys/mtg.html](http://www.am.org/iupsys/mtg.html).

### Important Bits...

Ok, so maybe it isn't so important, but it did get your attention. We are still looking for a name for the newsletter and will keep the contest open until 30 April, so get your thinking hats on. We have already had some excellent ideas, but the more the merrier.

We also would like to mention that the photos in this issue (except for those of the editor and president) were all taken from two public domain sites on the web. They can be found at: <http://www.pbase.com/> and <http://pdphoto.org/> These are both very good sites if you need photos to liven up your presentations or lectures.

Finally, we would like to remind everyone that this is your newsletter and it will be as interesting as the information you send us. Any member can submit articles on themselves or what they are doing, where they have been or what is happening in their area. You would be surprised at how interesting the mundane to you might be to someone else. So if you have done something interesting, gone somewhere enchanting or just have a poem you wrote about your pet cat, let us have it and we will share it with the world. (That goes for any research you might be wanting to get cross-cultural verification for, as well!) Just email your contribution to: [vchearn@comcast.net](mailto:vchearn@comcast.net) You never know, "this could be the start of a beautiful friendship."