

## **IAAP Elected to Board of CoNGO (The Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the UN)**

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IAAP was elected this year to be on the board of the Conference on Non-Governmental Organizations at the United Nations (CoNGO), for the term starting 2011. CoNGO is an independent, international, non-profit membership association of NGOs that advocates on behalf of NGOs at UN Headquarters and facilitates participation of NGOs in UN conferences, debates and decision-making to ensure that NGO voices are heard globally. NGO committees are provided for members to address matters with officials of the UN Secretariat and UN system agencies, UN delegations and other experts, and to collaborate with each other and the larger community of NGOs (e.g. in studying, planning and acting on issues related to the principles and programs of the UN and network of agencies). Members represent a large range of interests, such as human rights, gender, peace and disarmament, social justice, governance, environment and sustainable development. Notably, several psychological organizations were elected to the new board. Judy Kuriansky will represent IAAP on the board (see <http://www.ngocongo.org/about>).