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The President’s Corner

For those living in the Northern Hemisphere this is high summer with all its warmth and brightness, and since my last time of writing let us all hope that these two qualities are starting to affect the global economic outlook.

Because we as members of IAAIP are part of a community of colleagues united by an international outlook, the purpose of this present column is to provide information about psychology in Latin America as reflected in the recent XXXII Interamerican Congress of Psychology (CIP) which was held in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from June 28–July 2, 2009. Historically, IAAIP has had members from Latin American countries for many, many years but never in large numbers, and the links that our Association has had with the principal organization of psychologists in the region, the Interamerican Society of Psychology (the Sociedad Interamericana de Psicología, SIP), have not been strong. As a result what we in IAAIP know about SIP, its Congresses, and the contributions made by its members to the development of psychology in the region has not been substantial.

Thus, what I hope to convey now is something about both the institution of psychology in Latin America as well as the Guatemala Congress itself.

By way of background, the Interamerican Society of Psychology was founded in 1957 and now has a membership which covers 23 countries coming from the North, Central, South American and Caribbean regions. Its two main journals are the Interamerican Journal of Psychology (Revista Interamericana de Psicología, RJP) and the electronic Interamerican Psychologist. It holds major Congresses every two years.

This, the 32nd Interamerican Congress of Psychology (CIP) was organized under the auspices of SIP whose President at the time was Dr. Andrés Consoli. It was hosted by the Guatemalan SIP Chapter, the Guatemalan Psychological Association whose President is Sandra Luna, several universities, and the Guatemalan College of Psychologists. The President of the Congress Executive Committee was Dr. María del Pilar Grazioso and the Co-Chairs of the Scientific Program Committee were Lucia Cazali Leal, Claudia García de la Cadena and Alvaro Fortin. The Congress succeeded in attracting over 1,500 participants with the majority, naturally, drawn from the Latin American countries but others also coming from regions as far flung as Oceania, Africa, Europe and Asia.

For the Guatemalan psychologists and psychologists in training, this was a huge event insofar as this was the first CIP to ever take place in Guatemala. It was in this context that the Organizing Committee and the Board of Directors of SIP embraced the opportunity to offer a Scientific Program planned around the general theme of “Psychology: a path towards peace and democracy” and the following eight thematic axes: Health and Quality of Life; Human Rights and Social Violence; Gender; Legal-political Constructions; Effects and Consequences of Poverty; Impact of Disaster; Education, Assessment and Training; and Organizational and Occupational Challenges. These were addressed by more than 1000 presentations in different modalities.

In organizing the program, the Scientific Committee contacted renowned academics and professionals who were selected to maintain gender equality, a balance in geographical contributions, and an equilibrium among areas of specialized knowledge and practice. This ensured that the Congress participants benefited with direct contact experiences with these leading figures who are fundamental in the development of the educational and scientific resources included in many of the delegates’ formative institutional educational curricula.

In addition to these keynote addresses, presentation formats included invited symposia, roundtables, invited conferences, free symposia, workshops, convolution hours, book
presentations and thematic sessions. The combination of themes and presentation formats paved the way for a rich and varied Scientific Program with around 30 simultaneous sessions.

The Opening Ceremony took place in the Cultural Centre named after the Nobel Prize winner Miguel Angel Asturias. After a brief presentation of the Interamerican Psychologists Awards to Drs. José Toro Alfonso, Albert Bandura and the Student Award, a folklore group offered the audience the ‘Danza de los Nahuales’ which portrayed how Kaji Imox, one of the warrior grandfathers, courageously resisted being conquered by Pedro de Alvarado.

The Scientific Programming began with a Mayan opening ceremony conducted by three Mayan “sacerdotizas” (sacred dances), and throughout the Congress the participants could experience social and cultural activities that included an introduction to Guatemala colonial cultural patrimony, living indigenous presentations as well as textile and handcraft exhibits that reflected the Guatemalan indigenous traditions, history, arts, literature, linguistic diversity, ethnic plurality, and spirituality. Evening social events were also held in local museums including the Museo del Convento de Santo Domingo and the Palacio de la Cultura. Here delegates enjoyed Guatemalan music provided by local groups and thus shared with them their artistic skills playing the marimba and baroque instruments while singing pre-Colombian music.

In summary, it was a delight to attend this CIP with not only its comprehensive and impressive Scientific Program but also a flavour that was distinctly Latin American. What was equally memorable was the vigour and flair of all those who were involved in its organization and the contagious feeling of enthusiasm and enjoyment that pervaded the whole Congress.

Post-script

Apart from informing IAAP about psychology in the Latin American regions, another major outcome of the Congress was the strengthening of the relationship between SIP and IAAP. What augurs particularly well for a continuation of the momentum built up in Guatemala is that Maria Regina Maluf who is a member of our Association’s Board of Directors is the new President of SIP, and a meeting has already been held to examine areas of mutual interest and cooperation between IAAP and CIP as well as ways and means of advancing these.

In addition, discussions were also held with a view to increasing the contribution of academics and practitioners from countries in the SIP region to mainstream psychology. The next congress-related opportunity for more discussion will be the 2010 International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) which will be held in Melbourne from July 11 – 16, 2010. Two suggestions were made as follows:

To publicise the Congress in the Newsletters of the National Societies of Psychology in the SIP region.

To publicise the Congress to the Federation of Graduate Programs in Psychology (ANPEPP) which covers over 100 graduate programs and 1,000 graduate researchers.

It is hoped that both these avenues of publication will go a long way to increasing awareness among psychologists from Latin American countries of the Melbourne ICAP so that they will attend and also make important contributions to its Scientific Program. As a consequence, the visibility of SIP-related research and practice in the eyes of the international psychological community will be appreciably raised.

Kind regards,
Mike Knowles
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Editor’s Note: Mike can be seen at the ICAP Congress in Melbourne, 11-16 July, 2010. Register now to see him and many others who will be attending. You can register at: https://ei.eventinfotech.com.au/ei/rs.asp?id=886&scriptid=REG
From The Editor...

In my opinion, one of the best things about being involved in international psychology is the opportunity to learn from and collaborate with colleagues from all parts of the world by attending some of the wealth of conferences available to us. I’m sure that we are all looking forward, with great anticipation, to our own IAAP Congress that will be in Melbourne in July of next year.

I, among many IAAP members, attended the European Federation of Psychologists’ Associations (EFPAs) Congress which was held in Oslo in July. The theme of the conference was “A Rapidly Changing World - Challenges for Psychology.” The opening lecture, entitled “Psychology at the Crossroads of Scientific Disciplines”, was given by Dr. Vaira Vike-Freiberga (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vaira_Vike-Freiberga) who not only has had a long, distinguished career as a psychologist but served as President of Latvia from 1999 to 2007. Another notable presenter was Bruce Overmier (http://www.psych.umn.edu/people/faculty/overmier.htm) who gave a very thought-provoking overview of psychology. Among other things, he argued that, as is the case with the science of physics, there should be a core body of knowledge that each psychologist is required to learn. Makes sense to me. And, if you haven’t heard Phil Zimbardo speak about his work, do yourself a big favor, and find a conference where he is on the program. (http://www.zimbardo.com/zimbardo.html) His work is fascinating and has made an enormous contribution to our discipline. (The foregoing is completely subjective and takes into account the space allotted me here. There were many other terrific presentations.)

One of the goals of IAAP, as an association, is to improve relationships with other psychological associations to increase opportunities to disseminate psychological knowledge around the world. In the President’s Corner you will read about the Interamerican Society of Psychology (the Sociedad Interamericana de Psicología, SIP), under whose auspices the recent XXXII Interamerican Congress of Psychology (CIP) was organized. The conference provided an opportunity for IAAP to strengthen ties with SIP which is one of the oldest psychological organizations in the Americas. There is more information about the CIP in the Division News.

Before our July, 2010 Congress in Melbourne, members will have the opportunity to vote for the IAAP President-Elect as the Board of Directors changed the nomination and voting procedures at the 2008 meeting in Berlin. All IAAP members in good standing now have the opportunity to nominate candidates for this important office and also to vote for the candidate of their choice. Members also have the opportunity to nominate candidates for open positions on our Board of Directors. The Calls for Nominations and voting procedures for President-Elect and also for Secretary-General, Treasurer, and Members-at-Large of the Board of Directors appear in this Bulletin.

Also, next year there will be Divisional elections. Please note the reminder in this Bulletin to be certain that you belong to two Divisions, so that you may exercise your right to vote. In this issue we have lots of news from Divisions, so you can obtain information regarding which Divisions you would like to join.

This is the third Bulletin to appear this year. Henceforth, there will continue to be three each year. Also, I had hoped to be able to provide excerpts from interviews with well-known international psychologists in every issue, but that is proving to be very difficult. My goal now is to complete an interview for every second issue. My next interviewee is our own Harry Triandis.

In addition to the news mentioned above, read on for a call for submissions to the 2010 ICAP from the Task Force on Regional Development in Asia, news from Prof. Mohan, a reminder to submit bids for the 2018 ICAP, and the always interesting Commentary from Bob Morgan.

Valerie Hearn, Co-Editor, IAAP Bulletin
Calling all members: Divisional Election - 2010

In preparation for next year’s Divisional elections and to ensure that everyone is able to exercise their right to vote, we are currently updating our records regarding members’ Divisional affiliations.

Last month you will have received an email from our publisher requesting that you confirm your Divisional affiliation by emailing Wiley-Blackwell at iaap@wiley.com.

If you have not already done this please do so by 31st October 2009.

As part of your normal IAAP membership entitlement and at no extra charge, this is also an opportunity for you to join up to a maximum of two Divisions (students may join the Student Division plus two others) selected from the list below:

1. Division of Work and Organizational Psychology
2. Division of Psychological Assessment and Evaluation
3. Division of Psychological and Societal Development
4. Division of Environmental Psychology
5. Division of Educational, Instructional and School Psychology
6. Division of Clinical and Community Psychology
7. Division of Applied Gerontology
8. Division of Health Psychology
9. Division of Economic Psychology
10. Division of Psychology and Law
11. Division of Political Psychology
12. Division of Sport Psychology
13. Division of Traffic and Transportation Psychology
14. Division of Applied Cognitive Psychology
15. Psychology Students Division
16. Division of Counselling Psychology
17. Division of Professional Practice

Call for Nominations for President-Elect of the International Association of Applied Psychology

In 2010, IAAP members in good standing (membership dues paid) will be invited to elect a new President-Elect. The election will take place between May 10, 2010 and June 10, 2010.

It is the tradition of the IAAP for the Past-President to serve as Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee. Accordingly, I herewith ask all IAAP Full Members and Fellows to submit names of candidates for the office of President-Elect in keeping with the rules stipulated in our Constitution and Rules of Procedure.

The President-Elect serves as President-Elect of IAAP for four years and then proceeds to serve as President for four years and Past-President for another four years.

The current Presidential Officers are: Michael Knowles (Australia), President; Michael Frese (Germany), Past-President; and Raymond D. Fowler (United States), President-Elect.

Rules for the nomination and election of the President-Elect were amended by the Board of Directors (BoD) in 2008. The amended Rules of Procedure stipulate that each candidate for President-Elect is nominated by two members in good standing of IAAP and that the President-Elect is elected by all
members in good standing of the Association. However, the BoD approves the list of candidates for President-Elect before it is submitted to the IAAP general membership for voting.

To be eligible for nomination for President-Elect, one must be a member in good standing of IAAP for two years or more. Furthermore, for the 2010 elections, only IAAP members who reside outside of North America may be nominated for President-Elect. According to our Rules of Procedure, nominees for the position of President-Elect cannot be from the same continent as the current President-Elect, Ray Fowler, who is from North America. It is desirable that nominations be made by colleagues from different countries.

Nominations should provide the nominator’s name, street address, e-mail address, and should indicate the merits of the nominee. In addition, nominations should provide the nominee’s name, street address and e-mail address.

Your nominations must reach me by Friday, January 29, 2010, at the following address:

Prof. Dr. Michael Frese  
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NUS Business School  
National University of Singapore  
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E-mail: michfrese@gmail.com

You are strongly encouraged to submit your nominations by e-mail, using your own e-mail address as signature.

As Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee, I will then ask each nominee who is eligible to run for President-Elect whether he or she agrees, if elected, to serve for the full term of office, including the terms of office as President and Past-President. Furthermore, I will ask each nominee to submit a short biography (no more than one page) and a brief description of what he or she wants to achieve as President-Elect and as President of IAAP (no more than one page). I will aim to get several candidates to run for this important office.

In summary, the necessary documents for the nomination of a candidate for the position of President-Elect of IAAP are:

Two letters of nomination from members in good standing of IAAP that describe the qualifications and merits of the nominee as well as the position for which the candidate is being nominated – both letters should be addressed to the Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee;

A one-page biography of the candidate (including educational background, present and former positions, research and professional activities, organization membership and involvement, and international congress participation);

A letter from the nominee indicating that he/she consents to be nominated and that he/she is committed, if elected, to serve for the full term of office as President-Elect (4 years), plus the terms of office as President (4 years) and Past-President (4 years).

A brief description of what he/she wants to achieve as President-Elect and as President of IAAP (no more than one page).

Duties of the Presidential Officers

Here is a description of the tasks of the IAAP Presidential Officers:

President. Provides leadership and chairs meetings of Officers and BoD and of the Association. Develops and implements plans for major directions and activities of the Association. Serves as the
primary liaison of the Association with the Congress organizers and the Congress Chair. Presides at congresses held during the mandate. Calls meetings of the BoD every two years and Officers’ meetings at his/her discretion. Represents the Association to other groups, associations, and international bodies. The President shall authorize general expenditures according to the budget adopted by the Officers and BoD Members, adopt the final agenda of business to be transacted at meetings, and call emergency meetings. The President shall also stimulate, coordinate, and receive reports from the various appointed committees, cooperate with the other Officers in the conduct of the affairs of the Association, and represent the Association as required.

President-Elect. Supports the President, chairs meetings in the President’s absence, assists in the development of new programs or in selected activities such the association’s journals, and plays a proactive role regarding the ICAP and regional conferences to be held under his or her mandate.

Past-President. Chairs the Election and Awards Committees. Advises the President on long-range planning, parliamentary matters, and matters of precedent. Takes on special assignments from the President, such as the International Forum of Psychological Associations, the final report of the past ICAP, and the follow-up of affiliates associations and societies.

**Voting Procedure**

The “preferential voting” method, called also “instant runoff voting”, will be used to elect the President-Elect. Preferential voting is a type of ballot structure used in several electoral systems in which voters are required to rank a list of candidates in order of preference (i.e., who they want as their 1st choice, 2nd choice and so on).

*Michael Frese*

Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee
IAAP Past-President (2006 – 2010)

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**Call for Nominations for Secretary-General and Treasurer of the International Association of Applied Psychology**

At the next meeting of the IAAP Board of Directors (BoD), which will take place before the opening of the 27th International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) in Melbourne on July 10 and 11, 2010, the present BoD will elect a Secretary-General and a Treasurer.

It is the tradition of the IAAP for the Past-President to serve as Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee. Accordingly, I herewith ask all Members of the Board of Directors to submit names of candidates for the offices of Secretary-General and Treasurer in keeping with the rules stipulated in our Constitution and Rules of Procedure.

The Secretary-General and the Treasurer are elected to serve for terms of four years and may be re-elected once. The current Secretary-General is Janel Gauthier (Canada), and the current Treasurer is Elizabeth Nair (Singapore). Both of them are eligible for a second four-year term, and have expressed the wish to be considered for nomination as candidates for re-election.

**Election of a New Secretary-General or Treasurer**

To be eligible for nomination for Secretary-General or Treasurer, one must be an IAAP member in good standing (i.e., membership dues paid). As stipulated in our Rules of Procedure, candidates for Secretary-General and Treasurer are nominated by members of the Board of Directors by writing to the Secretary-General at least 6 months in advance of the congress where the election is to take place. The proposal shall contain standard biographical information (no more than one page), including
professional history, key publications, major impact on applied psychology, international recognition, service to IAAP, etc. It shall also provide the nominator’s name, street address, e-mail address, and signature. Furthermore, it shall include the nominee’s name, street address, e-mail address, consent to serve, and signature.

In summary, the necessary documents for the nomination of a new Secretary-General or Treasurer are:

A letter of nomination from a member of the Board of Directors that describes the qualifications and merits of the nominee as well as the position for which the candidate is being nominated – the letter should be addressed to the Chair of the Nominations and Election Committee;

A one-page biography of the candidate (including educational background, present and former positions, research and professional activities, organization membership and involvement, and international congress participation);

A letter from the nominee indicating that he or she consents to be nominated and that he or she is committed, if elected, to serve for the full term of office (4 years).

All nominations must be made by BoD Members who are Full Members or Fellows in good standing of IAAP (i.e., membership dues paid) and all nominees must be Full Members or Fellows in good standing of the Association.

It is the tradition of the IAAP for the Secretary-General to serve as Secretary of the Nominations and Elections Committee. Accordingly, nominations and all supporting documents shall be sent by e-mail to Secretary-General, Janel Gauthier, by Sunday, January 10, 2010, at the following address: janel.gauthier@psy.ulaval.ca

The Secretary-General will then send the nominations to the Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee of the Association. A ballot paper will be drawn up and presented to members of the Board of Directors. All names submitted may be considered by the Board of Directors.

**Re-election of Secretary-General or Treasurer**

A Secretary-General or a Treasurer applying for re-election should follow the following procedure:

In the past, IAAP Officers who were eligible for another term simply sent the Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee a letter indicating their interest in being considered for re-election. Since no changes in the election procedures for Secretary-General and Treasurer have been made, the Officers interested in running for re-election should send me a formal letter on their business stationary, indicating their willingness to continue to serve as Secretary-General or Treasurer if re-elected. Since their letters will be distributed to members of the Board prior to voting on candidates at the BoD meeting in Melbourne, they may want to provide a brief description of their qualifications and interests in international psychology (no more than one page) or a short biography (no more than one page).

**Duties of the Secretary-General and Treasurer**

Here is a description of the tasks of the IAAP Secretary-General and Treasurer:

Secretary-General. Supports the President in day-to-day operations of the Association. Oversees the official records and historical documents of the Association. Provides guidance to the President on dates and deadlines. Works with the President to arrange agendas for BoD meetings. Provides timely minutes of meetings held by the BoD and Officers. Develops and oversees recruiting drives and deals with informing new members of acceptance. Develops publicity about the Association. Coordinates communication among Divisions. The Secretary-General shall authorize particular expenditures in accordance with general instructions from the Officers or the BoD with the approval of the President. The Secretary-General calls meetings of Officers and prepares and circulates the minutes and agenda for BoD meetings. The Secretary-General also arranges the records of the
scientific congresses of the Association, performs the customary duties of the office, and represents
the Association as required by the Executive Officers.

Treasurer. Administers the financial affairs of the Association. Prepares the annual budget based on
inputs from the Officers and Division Presidents for approval by the Officers. Prepares an annual
financial report, subject to audit by the Chair of the Financial Committee. Coordinates with the AP:IR
and AP:HWB publisher on dues disbursements and collection activities. Prepares a financial plan for
the Association. Raises funds for the Association. Approves expenditures in consultation with the
President. Approves and pays vouchers for expenses. Pays bills of the Association and Officers.
Coordinates negotiation with Congress organizers on budgets. and supervises disbursements of
Congress surpluses. Banks all fees, dues, subsidies or donations received by the Association.

Voting Procedure

The Secretary-General and the Treasurer are elected by the Board of Directors at the International
Congress of Applied Psychology. The election will be conducted in accordance with the Runoff
Voting System, known also as the voting system in single seat elections. Voters select their preferred
candidate. If one candidate reaches the election threshold (fifty percent), this candidate is declared
elected. Otherwise, the top two candidates are placed on a secondary ballot. Whoever receives the
most votes on the second ballot is declared elected. As a cross-cultural reference, it is the procedure
used for presidential elections in France and for primary elections in the United States.

Michael Frese
Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee
IAAP Past-President (2006 – 2010)

Call for Nominations for Members-at-Large of
the Board of Directors

of the International Association of Applied
Psychology

At the next meeting of the IAAP Board of Directors (BoD), which will take place before the opening
of the International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) in Melbourne on July 10 and 11, 2010,
the present BoD will elect a certain number of new BoD Members-at-Large and re-elect current BoD
Members-at-Large who are eligible and interested in serving a second term.

It is the tradition of the IAAP for the Past-President to serve as Chair of the Nominations and
Elections Committee. Accordingly, I herewith ask all IAAP Members to submit names of candidates
for BoD Member-at-Large positions in keeping with the rules stipulated in our Constitution and
Rules of Procedure.

Here are all the rules and procedures on the election of Members-at-Large of the IAAP Board of
Directors:

Election of New Members-at-Large

The BoD is the central governing body of our Association. It includes each Division President during
his/her term of office (four years), plus individual members usually elected for a term of eight years.
Elections to the BoD take place at every International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP)
organized under the auspices of IAAP. The next election of BoD members will take place at our
forthcoming BoD meeting in Melbourne on July 10-11, 2010.

According to our Constitution, the BoD has the responsibility to elect the IAAP Officers (Secretary-
General, Treasurer). Individual members of the BoD and the Presidents of the Divisions are the
central motor for all IAAP activities. They represent different parts of the world and different sub-disciplines of psychology. They also provide personal links to psychologists in their regions and subfields.

BoD members hold a particular responsibility for the viability and dynamics of our Association’s world-wide network. This is why IAAP must be particularly diligent in selecting highly professional, internationally reputed and service devoted candidates for the BoD. Growth or decline depends on their setting the right example and enticing new members to join IAAP, the oldest and largest international psychological association with individual membership.

The IAAP Constitution stipulates that one third of the Members-at-Large must retire at the quadrennial meetings of the Board of Directors in order to give opportunities for many IAAP members to share in the work. BoD members may nominate candidates for the Board, but nominations are welcome from all Full members/Fellows of IAAP, provided they are seconded by two other Full Members/Fellows of IAAP and forwarded in writing to the Secretary-General of the Association no later than three months before the IAAP congress at which the election is to take place, along with the consent in writing of the nominee.

The letter of nomination must include the nominator’s name, address, and signature, along with the names of the two Full Members/Fellows who have agreed to submit letters of support for the nomination. The letter of nomination should also describe the nominee’s qualifications, contributions to applied psychology, experience in international organizations, and other relevant information. The nomination must also include a statement indicating the nominee’s consent, to be signed by the nominee.

In summary, the necessary documents for the nomination of new BoD Members-at-Large are:

A letter of nomination from a member in good standing of IAAP that describes the qualifications and merits of the nominee as well as the position for which the candidate is being nominated – the letter should be addressed to the Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee;

A one-page biography of the candidate (including educational background, present and former positions, research and professional activities, organization membership and involvement, and international congress participation);

A letter from the nominee indicating that he/she consents to be nominated and that he/she is committed, if elected, to serve for the full term of office and attend the meetings of the BoD to be held during the International Congresses of Applied Psychology and at the International Congresses of Psychology;

Two letters of recommendation from members in good standing of IAAP, indicating the merits of the nominee as well as the position for which the candidate is being recommended – both letters should be addressed to the Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee;

Please note that all nominations must be made and endorsed by Full Members or Fellows in good standing of IAAP (i.e., membership dues paid) and all nominees must be Full Members or Fellows in good standing of the Association.

It is the tradition of the IAAP for the Secretary-General to serve as Secretary of the Nominations and Elections Committee. Accordingly, nominations for new Member-at-Large positions and all supporting documents shall be sent by e-mail to Secretary-General Janel Gauthier by Saturday, April 10, 2010, at the following address: janel.gauthier@psy.ulaval.ca

**Re-election of Members-at-Large**

BoD members applying for re-election for a Member-at-Large position should follow the following procedure:

In the past, members of IAAP Board who were eligible for another term simply sent the Chair of the Elections Committee a letter indicating their interest in being considered for re-election. The detailed
information published in the IAAP Bulletin regarding nominations for Member-at-Large seats on the Board pertains to the election of new members.

Since no changes in the election procedures have been discussed by the Board, if you are interested in running for re-election, please send me a formal letter on your business stationary, indicating your willingness to continue to serve if re-elected. Since your letters will be distributed to members of the Board prior to voting on candidates at our BoD meeting in Melbourne, you may want to provide a brief description of your qualifications and interests in international psychology or a short biography (no more than one page).

**Board of Directors (2006-2010)**

The following provides information about the current status of BoD Members and their eligibility for re-election: “OK” means “not need to be considered for re-election because term of office is continuing”, “ER” means “is completing a term and is eligible for re-election”, “NE” means “is completing a term and is not eligible for re-election.” This information is intended to help you to nominate appropriate candidates who truly represent the needs of the Association and its worldwide commitment.

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**Voting Procedure**

As stated in our Constitution and Rules of Procedure, Members-at-Large of the Board of Directors are elected by the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors. Such meeting shall normally take place at the time and place of the International Congress of Applied Psychology. Members of the Board of Directors vote for their preferred candidates on the ballot paper provided by the Elections Committee. The balloting is to be secret and the candidates are elected in accordance with the number of votes obtained and the number of vacancies.

Members-at-Large of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for terms of eight years. They may be re-elected once.

* Michael Frese
  Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee
  IAAP Past-President (2006 – 2010)
Division News...

Division 1—Organizational Psychology

Alliance for Organizational Psychology: 
the initiative by IAAP Division 1, SIOP and EAWOP

On the 2nd of April 2009, during the SIOP annual conference opening plenary, Division 1 (Organizational Psychology of the International Association of Applied Psychology), the European Association of Work and Organizational Psychology, and the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology, signed a declaration to initiate an open and collaborative process with the objective of creating and promoting an Alliance for Organizational Psychology.

During the annual 2009 SIOP conference, José M. Peiró, Gary Latham and Franco Fraccaroli signed a declaration of collaboration for the Alliance for Organizational Psychology.

The green light for the creation of this alliance was given by the IAAP Board of Directors at the last meeting in Berlin in 2008. At this meeting, José María Peiró, president of Division 1, asked for approval to start cooperation with SIOP and EAWOP that would lead to a letter of agreement among these associations. After obtaining approval by the IAAP Board of Officers, the Presidents of the three associations signed a declaration to organize an open collaborative process with the objective of founding the Alliance for Organizational Psychology.

The mission of the Alliance for Organizational Psychology (AOP) is envisioned as supporting and advancing the science and practice of organizational psychology in the global world and expanding its scope of application and contribution to society to improve the quality of working life. The Alliance should enhance the contributions of organizational psychology in the global society to advance the science and practice of organizational psychology internationally and to promote cross-national cooperation and more effective communication among the members of the associations taking part in the Alliance. Some task forces will be installed to further progress and develop this initiative.

During 2009 and the first half of 2010, representatives from the three associations will draft articles of incorporation, bylaws, and operational guidelines.
In fact, during the European Congress of Work and Organizational Psychology (EAWOP, held in Santiago de Compostela, the 13-16th of May 2009), the Alliance was presented to the participants of the Congress during the keynote address of Prof. Gary Latham. Moreover, a roundtable was organized to discuss the strategy and content of white papers that the three organizations aim to launch on relevant topics of general interest, such as aging at work.

The current plan is to establish the Alliance formally during the International Congress of Applied Psychology, July 11-16, 2010, in Melbourne, Australia.

For more information regarding this initiative and for the updates and progress, please visit www.allianceorgpsych.org.

Jose M. Peiro, President, Division 1

Organizational Psychology’s Role in Poverty Reduction

The Millennium Development Goals are eight imperatives which were articulated at the turn of the century and agreed upon by countries and development institutions throughout the world. These goals pertain to critical global needs and include the objective of substantially reducing extreme poverty by the year 2015 (Millennium Project, 2006). The realization of such goals requires participation from a range of professionals such as economists, anthropologists, and sociologists. Psychology also has a role to play. Indeed, it can be argued that psychology has a social responsibility to contribute to such global development and poverty reduction efforts.

Social responsibility is a complex concept, which may be considered at varying levels of analysis. Broadly, nations and groups of nations engage in policy making and other efforts to promote global wellbeing. More narrowly, “corporate social responsibility” has become a popular catchphrase in recent years. Here, we see businesses increasingly stepping up their efforts to support cancer research, the environment, child adoption programs, and a variety of other initiatives with pro-social and often global implications (Behrend, Baker, & Thompson, in press; David, Kline, & Dai, 2005). At an even more micro level of analysis, the independent efforts of individuals in our society have long contributed to the wellbeing of families, groups, and communities in need.
As psychologists, we have principles and codes of ethics to guide individual members of our profession toward the highest ideals. As each of our careers develops and unfolds, these principles encourage us to behave in ways that benefit the persons and peoples with whom we come into contact. The Universal Declaration of Ethical Principles for Psychologists, which was unanimously adopted by the IAAP Board of Directors on July 26, 2008, provides an excellent, necessary, and useful framework to guide psychologists’ efforts as they carry out their work (“Universal Declaration,” 2008).

Although principles exist to guide the behavior of individual psychologists, less attention has arguably been paid to how psychology, as a profession, can and should collectively contribute to society’s wellbeing. While private sector organizations are busy developing their corporate social responsibility agendas, we might ask ourselves: How well-formed is psychology’s professional social responsibility agenda? Relying on the discrete and often disconnected efforts of psychologists guided by a common set of ethical principles is a good start, but this hardly seems sufficient. What’s needed is a well-thought-out, proactive, strategic agenda to increase our field’s visibility and impact in the global development arena.

Psychology, of course, is a multifaceted science consisting of diverse sub-disciplines including, but certainly not limited to, the likes of school psychology, developmental psychology, community psychology, and organizational psychology. Although psychology, as a parent discipline, has attended to the ethical responsibilities of its individual members, it has arguably paid less attention to its collective ethical obligations – that is, our sub-disciplines’ duty to contribute to worldwide needs. In this regard, one might reason that our sub-disciplines have had a level of analysis that has received insufficient consideration in discussions of social responsibility.

Each area of psychology has the potential to provide unique and important contributions to global development. Fulfilling this potential, however, requires each sub-discipline to engage in strategic dialogue designed to articulate, plan, promote, and advance efforts to collectively address global needs. Thus far, some areas of psychology have done a better job than others at carving out a role in the global poverty arena. For example, clinical and counseling psychologists have a history of involvement in the aftermath of natural and man-made disasters (Carr, 2007). Meanwhile, other domains of psychology have been less engaged in poverty reduction, despite their tremendous capacity to contribute.

Organizational psychology, for instance, has not been at the forefront of poverty reduction discussions and initiatives. Meanwhile, there is a wide range of areas where the science and practice of organizational psychology is desperately needed. These include, for example, recruiting online volunteers; matching online and on-site volunteers to humanitarian work assignments; selecting, funding, and training would-be entrepreneurs from developing countries; dealing with conflict stemming from discrepancies in pay which occur when personnel from different parts of the world work side-by-side on a common aid project; and fine-tuning the development of health workers’ skills to enable the provision of health care at an economically sustainable level to the poorest of the poor (Atkins, Thompson, & Baker, 2009; Carr, 2007, 2008). While there are certainly individual organizational psychologists doing important work in these and related areas, organizational psychology has not historically demonstrated a strong, collective, strategic track record of participation in the global poverty and development domain. It’s time to change this state of affairs.

Efforts to address this deficiency are underway. Some examples include the following: On June 24-25, 2009, a global task force on Humanitarian Work Psychology convened for the first time to discuss ways to increase the role of organizational psychology in the global development domain. Participants included work and organizational psychologists from a range of countries including New Zealand, Ireland, England, the United States, Norway, and Uganda. Representatives from other regions including China and Papua New Guinea are also actively involved with this task force group. Graduate courses in Humanitarian Work Psychology are being planned for the summer of 2010. The Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology (SIOP)’s quarterly publication, TIP,
now features a regular column on “Pro-Social I-O.” In addition, a listserv, known as Povio, has been created to virtually connect organizational psychologists interested in the topic of poverty reduction.

Lefkowitz (2008) maintains that organizational psychology needs to expand its values to match the quality of its ethics. Certainly, there is still a long way to go before organizational psychology’s potential to contribute to poverty reduction is fully realized. However, the initiatives highlighted above appear to be steps in the right direction. They can help advance an agenda for professional social responsibility in the days to come.

Lori Foster Thompson
North Carolina State University

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References


Division 2—Psychological Assessment and Evaluation

The Resurgence of Tests and Testing in Russia

Few psychologists outside of Russia know the history of Russian psychodiagnostics (i.e., test) development. Its history is intricate and being written now. G. Rossolimo published Psychological Profiles in 1909, one of the first tests developed in Russia before the revolution. Test development and use increased from 1917 to 1936. The new scientific line, paedology, appeared, one that focused on educational testing.

Research results showed children from peasant and proletarian families scored lower than children from middle class families (e.g., the Intelligentsia). This finding made the federal authorities angry as it was inconsistent with prevailing political beliefs of the Bolshevik government. Thus, in 1936, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union issued a decree that resulted in the destruction of all books that carried this message together with a ban on tests and their development. Scientists and others engaged in testing were sent into exile where many perished.

For 35 years Russian psychologists could not speak positively about tests and instead had to describe them as if they were non-scientific bourgeois methods.

In the 1970s, a period characterized by government indulgence was ushered in, and someone (nobody knows who) brought about 20 foreign tests to Russia (including the WAIS, WISC, MMPI, CPI, 16PF, Raven etc). There was increasing tolerance of the use of tests. From then to now, many people continue to use these original Russian versions of these old tests.
Some knowledge of tests and testing in Russia is available. For example, a Russian translation of Ann Anastasi’s Psychological Test was published in 1982, and 10 years later its revision with Susan Urbina also was published. P. Kline’s book on test construction also was published about then. Two or three years ago Russian psychologists started to realise the magnitude of the gap between the state of testing in Russia and other European countries. About a year ago we made a decision to work to reduce that gap.

For example, the Psychodiagnosics Laboratory at the South Ural State University (SUSU) attempted to catalog all psychological tests developed (even those not published) in Russia from 1907 to 2007. This resulted in the Compendium of Psychodiagnostic Techniques of Russia and the USSR—preserved on compact discs. It contains more than 600 tests. 60% of them are small inventories. In addition, for the first time, the Russian Psychological Society established the Commission on Psychodiagnostics.

In 2008 we took the first group of six people onto a special magistracy program: Psychodiagnostics. Our university began to make the first test library and the first educational platform for on-line and off-line testing in Russia.

Additionally, many things are occurring now for the first time (e.g., first test standards, first rules for test adaptation). We have formulated principles of test user certification and a first psychodiagnostics ethics code. A law guaranteeing copyright protection came into force and helps us. All these developments have been based on the work of such bodies as the British Psychological Society (BPA), International Test Commission (ITC), European Federation of Psychologists’ Associations (EFPA), and the American Psychological Association in developing standards for test development and use and in setting up a qualification system for test users as well as the registration and review procedures for tests.

In 2008, the Russian Psychological Society restored its membership in the International Union of Psychological Science and the International Association of Applied Psychology and also became a member of the ITC. In Oslo in July this year, the Russian Psychological Society was admitted to membership of the European Federation of Psychologists’ Associations. We are grateful for the assistance we have received from the ITC and the BPS and appreciate deeply Dave Bartram for providing care and support for the work of our Psychodiagnostics Commission.

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Division 4—Environmental Psychology

Report of the first STEP (Summer School on Theories in Environmental Psychology)

By Reuven Sussman, University of Victoria (Canada)

The STEP summer school took place in Groningen (the Netherlands), a beautiful and environmentally friendly city, where 50% of the people ride their bikes to work. For a week, more than 50 graduate students from several different countries attended keynote lectures and smaller workshops each day. Lectures and workshops served to enhance students’ understanding of concepts in many domains of environmental psychology. Lecturers included Wesley Schultz & Judith de Groot (Values, norms and household energy use), John Thogersen & Birgitta Gatersleben (Changing behavior via community approaches), Phil Lehman & Annika Nordlund (Strategies to reduce household energy use), Jens Schade & Sebastian Bamberg (Transport pricing), and Agnes Van den Berg & Yannick Joye (Stress and the city - restorative environments). They can all be viewed, along with their PowerPoint slides and abstracts at:
http://www.rug.nl/psy/onderwijs/firststep/keynote%20lectures
Each workshop had a sponsor which funded the project in exchange for the opportunity to have an issue they presented discussed (Eneco, City of Groningen, SenterNovem, Transumo, and the Ministry of Housing/Spatial Planning/Environment). The purpose of the workshops was to discuss theories in environmental psychology and use them to develop a research proposal that would be presented to the sponsor (and the whole group) at the end of the week. The proposal provided solutions to the sponsor’s problem and research that could be conducted to improve future proposals. A hearty “well done” is in order for Linda Steg and the entire organizing committee who put together the STEF Summer School. We look forward with great anticipation to the next STEP!

Interamerican Award of Environmental Psychology

The Interamerican Award of Environmental Psychology was presented during the last conference of the the Interamerican Society of Psychology (SIP) in June in Guatemala City, and recognizes contributions to the development of environmental psychology on the American continent.

Prof Javier Urbina-Soria (National Autonomous University of Mexico) won the Professional Category, and Dr César Octavio Tapia Fonllem (University of Sonora, Mexico) and Dr Taciano L. Millfont (Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand) shared the award for the Student Category.

The award was created by both the SIP Environmental Psychology Task Force and the Latin American Environmental Psychology Network to contribute in spreading the achievements of environmental psychologists and promoting research interests in this field.

The SIP was founded in 1951 and is the main international association promoting the development of behavioural sciences among the different nations of that continent, having Spanish, English, Portuguese and French as its official languages (more info at www.sipsych.org).

Call for Book Chapter Proposals: Psychology and Environment

“The Impact of Global Climate Change and Human Welfare”

We invite submissions of chapter proposals for a forthcoming edited volume featuring chapters on the impact of global climate change on mental health and psychological functioning. We are interested in proposals examining how severe or extreme weather in a changed climate can exacerbate trauma and disaster issues and negatively affect psychological functioning. We are interested in how such events affect women, children and families, both nationally and internationally. We are especially interested in dialogue between the environmental and mental health fields.

We anticipate that each final chapter will be theory-based, written in the editorial style of the American Psychological Association (APA) and will include a current, relevant literature review and/or meta-analysis. We invite reviews of research using conceptual or empirical (qualitative and/or quantitative) methods, original empirical work, and research-based case studies. Manuscripts written from all theoretical orientations are welcome.

Chapter Proposal Guidelines:

1) Provide an extended abstract of no more than 3 single-spaced pages describing what you intend to address in your chapter. Within the abstract, (a) clearly identify the specific topic within this framework that your chapter will examine and (b) provide a summary or outline of your proposed chapter.

2) Please send a current vita.

3) Complete proposals (abstract and vita) are due on or before September 31, 2009. We will respond to submitted proposals by December 1, 2009.

4) Submissions should be electronic and sent simultaneously to co-editors: Ellen Cole Ph.D. ecole@alaskapacific.edu, Laura Brown Lsbrownphd@cs.com, John Thoburn thoburn@spu.edu and Alan Stewart, aewx@uga.edu
We welcome your questions and inquiries about the edited volume or chapter proposals. Please address your concerns to one of the editors: Ellen Cole Ph.D. ecole@alaskapacific.edu, Laura Brown Ph.D. Lsbrownphd@cs.com, John Thoburn Ph.D. thoburn@spu.edu, Alan Stewart, Ph.D. aeswx@uga.edu

**PhD Opportunity**

Understanding Landscape Change and Environmental Sustainability: The Role of Attention, Working Memory, and Restorative Processes in Environmental Preference

**Supervisor(s):** Dr David Pearson (School of Psychology), Dr Jillian Anable (School of Geosciences), Dr Tony Craig (Macaulay). Funded by: ACES Studentships 2009.

**Eligibility:** Fees will be paid at UK/EU rates only. Candidates should hold, or expect to obtain, a First or Upper Second Class Honours degree or a Masters degree or an equivalent qualification.

**Commences October 2009**

To apply, send an application form, downloadable from http://www.abdn.ac.uk/sras/word_docs/pgapp.doc along with a cover letter and an up-to-date C.V. (no longer than 2 sides of A4). Closing date is 17 August 2009.

Send to Ms. M. Schumann, School of Biological Sciences, Cruickshank Building, Aberdeen, AB24 3UU. E-mail is the preferred mode of application - m.schumann@abdn.ac.uk

**Information:** This project combines theoretical and methodological perspectives from psychology, geography, and topographic science to further empirical understanding of environmental preference. It is vital for sustainable management that planners, policymakers, and general members of the public understand the environmental impact of landscape change. However, little systematic research has examined how attentional and restorative processes interact in determining environmental preference. The control of attention is an integral aspect of working memory, and allocation of attention to different objects in a perceived scene may influence subsequent decision-making and expressed preference. This research will aim to provide valuable insights into the cognitive systems that underlie people’s understanding of landscape change, with some studies making use of the Virtual Landscape Theatre facility based at the Macaulay Institute. Theoretical predictions made by attention restoration theory will be directly tested by systematically examining how the presence of man-made objects in a natural scene interacts with attentional allocation and the storage of representations in working memory. The research will also identify how emotions, associations, and values impact on the perceived restorative potential of particular environmental scenes. This will allow more detailed cognitive modelling of the relationship between attention, perceived restorative quality, and environmental preference than is currently available.

Informal enquiries regarding the project should be directed to Dr David Pearson (d.g.pearson@abdn.ac.uk) or Dr Tony Craig (t.craig@macaulay.ac.uk)

We welcome newsletter items and website addresses of interest to those working in environmental psychology! If you have not been receiving periodic e-mail messages regarding developments within Division 4, please contact Fabio Iglesias, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster at iglesias@unb.br

Fabio Iglesias, Bulletin Editor, Division 4

**Division 5---Educational and School Psychology**

The International Conference of Applied Psychology (ICAP) is approaching. The call for Symposia opened in February and the call for Panel Discussions, Individual Oral Papers, Brief Oral Presentations & Electronic Posters has just opened on July, 1st.

We gladly remember the last ICAP 2006 in Athens, when our Division demonstrated remarkable activity by making a very important number of contributions, as the following numbers show: In
total we had 39 slots available. From the more than 400 proposals, a presidential address, two keynotes, and nine symposia (with six invited among them) as well as remarkably over 300 papers and posters were finally accepted.

So, our division appears among the strong ones of our association, and we are confident that the impressive result of the last ICAP will be confirmed next year. For this reason we would like to encourage you to submit proposals to the conference and all members of the presidency will be glad to assist you if any help is needed.

For the last ICAP the geographical breakdown showed a strong attendance of participants from the hosting continent:

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As the next conference takes place on the Australian continent, we therefore look forward to increasing scientific exchange with contributors from Australia, and we also hope to attend a remarkable number of contributions from the Americas and in particular from Africa. Moreover we expect to welcome an increased number of young scientists among the contributors, and for this purpose we going to intensify contact with the students division.

Regarding our business meeting, we are starting to collect information about our members’ activity. If you have news to report (publications, meetings, new positions, new responsibilities, awards, etc.) we will be very happy to have it. Please just send a message to div5icap@zepf.uni-landau.de. Furthermore, we are grateful for any further ideas from our members that will help us to make ICAP2010 as successful as the last one.

Please note that regarding ICAP2010, information of interest for Division 5 will be provided on our homepage (e.g., the space available for our division’s contributions, the review procedure, points regarding organisation, etc.) soon. Please check the Division 5 homepage at IAAP for updates regularly.

Here in Europe we are staring holidays and then the season of conferences where we would enjoy meeting many of you.

Peter Nenniger, President, Division 5

**Division 7—Applied Gerontology**

The American Psychological Association’s annual meeting was held in Toronto, Canada this year making it an international meeting. A rough estimate indicated that at least 50 symposia and similar presentations dealt with aging in addition to numerous poster sessions. One poster session featured mental and physical health in ethnic minorities. A symposium focused on international perspectives on addressing the needs of older adults during disasters. There was a discussion session on women’s career development across the life span—international perspectives. The APA Committee on Aging (CONA) held a session on how APA health care reform efforts impact older adults. The CONA award for the Advancement of Psychology and Aging was presented to Bob Knight, PhD from the University of Southern California.

In other work, APA is working on the revision of the Guidelines for Dementia and other cognitive impairments. These were first developed in 1997. Currently a team of psychologists are working on these Guidelines. The team is chaired by Glenn Smith
and members are Jennifer Manly, Susan Cooley, Toni Zeiss, Camorn Camp, Hector Gonzales, Asenath LaRue, Nancy Pachana and Paula Hartman Stein. The committee is intent on finishing these guidelines in the near future.

In the past year APA conducted Diversity Training in Aging and mandated that Diversity training on aging occur for all APA boards, committees and the Council of Representatives (the governing body of APA. Greg Hinrichson, PhD, Becca Levy, PhD and Jennifer Manly, PhD provided this training for the Council of Representatives this past summer.

Additionally, the American Bar Association and APA produced a recent publication dealing with the Assessment of Older Adults with Diminished Capacity: A Handbook for Psychologists. So far 600 requests for this book have been received. At APA the Office of Aging works to promote aging issues and bring psychological knowledge to applied gerontology issues. The office is directed by Deborah DiGilio and the Administrative Coordinator is Susie Hwang. APA has made significant progress in the area of aging since Norman Abeles’ 1997 Presidential Initiative on Aging.

Norman Abeles, President, Division 7

Division 8—Health Psychology

Reports from conferences
From the 16th to 18th July, 2009, the 30th conference of the Stress and Anxiety Research Society (STAR) took place in Budapest, Hungary. Several IAAP Division 8 members are active STAR members and contributed to the conference. For example, Stevan E. Hobfoll gave the distinguished Spielberger Address, Esther R. Greenglass, Aleksandra Luszcynska, Urte Scholz and Ralf Schwarzer had several talks and organized symposia.

STAR is a multidisciplinary, international organization of researchers who share an interest in problems of stress, coping, and anxiety (http://www.star-society.org/). The next meeting will take place from the 4th to the 6th of August 2010, in Galway, Ireland (http://star2010.wordpress.com/).

Upcoming IAAP conference:

The 2010 meeting of IAAP is a great opportunity to meet people from all over the world working in the same area as you are. Deadline for submissions for Symposia, Panel Discussions, Individual Oral Papers, Brief Oral Presentations and Electronic Posters has been extended to the 1st of December 2009. You will find more information on submission guidelines etc. here: http://www.icap2010.com/symposia.php

There are also interesting satellite meetings before and after ICAP. For example, the Asian Psychological Association, APsyA 2010 Conference, 4 - 7 July 2010 in Darwin, Australia (www.cdu.edu.au/apsya). You can find more satellite conferences here: http://www.icap2010.com/satellite.php

Upcoming conferences from other societies:


05.-08. November 2009: 8th International Conference on Occupational Stress and Health in San Juan, Puerto Rico (http://www.apa.org/pi/work/wsh.html)


Esther Greenglass, President, Division 8

**Division 12—Sport Psychology**

The European Master in Sport and Exercise Psychology (EMSEP) has been recently selected by the European Commission as an Erasmus Mundus Master Programme. The objective of the EMSEP is to integrate the strengths of five partner universities within the European cultural milieu to provide top quality education. The consortium consists of the following European universities: Jyväskylä (Finland), Leipzig (Germany), Lund (Sweden), Oslo (Norway) and Thessaly (Greece). The EMSEP has a duration of two years (120 ECTS), and a mobility model with three home and two host universities. In addition, double degree agreements exist between the Universities of Jyväskylä and Lund, Leipzig and Thessaly.

The 12th World Congress of the International Association of Sport Psychology (ISSP) was held in Marrakesh, Morocco. It was the first time a congress of this kind was organized in an African country. Howard K. Hall (UK) gave a keynote speech on perfectionism focusing on specific qualities of “positive perfectionism” and how characteristics of perfectionism develop in young athletes. Craig A. Wrisberg’s (USA) keynote focused on the potential benefits of giving athletes some control over the way they practice and prepare for competition. Gershon Tenenbaum (USA) gave a keynote on the perceptions of traits and states, effort, and the perceptual-cognitive-emotion-motor linkage. Edward L. Deci (USA) gave a keynote on the promotion of autonomous motivation where he reviewed the history of research on Self-Determination Theory (SDT) giving special attention to the application to sport and physical activity. Packianathan Chelladurai’s (USA) keynote highlighted how both sport psychology and sport management draw much of their research from disciplines such as psychology, social psychology, and sociology. He also presented research of a model of leadership with implications for sport psychology and sport management. There were many other interesting sessions and posters.

During the Congress the new Managing Council 2009-2013 was elected consisting of: Sidonio Serpa (President), Natalia Stambulova, Traci Statler, Abderrahim Baria (Vice President), Gangyan Si (Secretary General), and Ernest Tsung-Min Hung (Treasurer). Next ISSP Congress will be held in Beijing, China. ISSP website: www.issponline.org

The Annual conference of the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity (ISBNPA) was held in Portugal. After the conference, a Satellite Meeting dealt with the usefulness and common ground between Self-Determination Theory and Motivational Interviewing for promoting health behavior change, especially nutrition and physical activity. Division 12 Fellow, Joan Duda (UK) and Michelle Fortier (Canada) presented on Self-Determination Theory Applications in Exercise and Weight Control. The next ISBNPA conference will be held in Minneapolis, USA, June 9-12, 2010.

The 30th Stress and Anxiety Research Society (STAR) Conference was held in Budapest last July. Division 12 President, Jurii Hanin (Finland) gave an invited keynote address: “From anxiety to performance-related emotions in top-level sport”. Jurii Hanin & Muza Hanina also gave the following invited lectures for sport psychology students at the Semmelweis University: “Optimization of athletic performance: emotion-focused and action-focused coping”, “Emotions in sport: an individualized approach”, and “Change and change management in top-level sport”.
Division 12 member, Professor Andrew M. Lane (UK), chaired a paper session on Negative/positive emotions in stress and coping and presented a paper entitled “Can anger and tension be helpful? Relationships between mood states and emotional intelligence during optimal performance”. All presentations were well attended and triggered interesting discussions.

Obituary | Dr. Martin Lee by Professor Adrian Taylor
It is with sadness that I must inform you that Dr. Martin Lee passed away in Exeter, UK, on 5th July 2009. He was ill with myelofibrosis, a rare bone marrow disease, for about 9 years and had beaten the odds to fight on as long as he did. He gained degrees from the Universities of Leeds (UK), Washington State (USA) and Oregon (USA), and went on to lecture at Leeds Trinity & All Saints, Bedford College, and the University of Brighton in the UK. More information about Dr. Lee’s research is on Division 12’s website.

Meetings, Conferences, Congresses, Workshops
September 1-3, 2009, Leeds Met. University, UK. British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES) Annual Conference. Website: www.bases.org.uk

October 1-3, 2009, Jyväskylä, Finland. International Conference on Motor Behaviour organized by the Motor Behaviour Research Unit of the University of Jyväskylä. Contact: Pasi Sarkkinen, pasi.sarkkinen@jyu.fi

November 12-14, 2009, Jaén, Spain. XII Andalusian Congress of Sport and Exercise Psychology hosted by the University of Jaén, Spain and organized in collaboration with the Andalusian Society of Sport Psychology. Contacts: Juan Párraga, iparraga@ujaen.es and Jose Carlos Jaenes, jcjaesan@upo.es, Website: http://www.ujaen.es/congreso/capda/

New Publications:
For more information visit Division 12 IAAP’s website and http://home.no/sportpsy

Montserrat Ruiz, Bulletin Editor, Division 12

Division 15—Student Division
XXXII Congreso Interamericano De Psicologia
Guatemala City, Guatemala
2009
Report

In an atmosphere of cooperation and progress, as its name reveals “Psicología: Un camino hacia la paz et la democracia” (Psychology: A path towards peace and democracy) the XXXII Interamerican Congress of Psychology (XXXII CIP) took place in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from the 29th June to 2nd July, 2009. The congress strove to honor its title and revealed how psychology could lead us by forgetting differences and whatever keeps us apart and helping to create an actual community.

Invited by the organizing committee and supporting the international character of the congress and with the help of Marco Peña, coordinator of Students Task Force at the Inter-American Society of Psychology, the Students’ Division was present. The invitation came as the result of the intense efforts of Kristina Potocnik, Division 15 President, whose purpose was to approach students from South America and have members start local activities on the long term.

The symposium under the title “Advances in Psychology Education around the World”, which was organised by Division 15 in cooperation with the American Psychological Association of Graduate Students (APAGS) and its chair Nadia
Hasan and the Inter-American Society of Psychology (SIP) represented by Marco Peña, is considered a success. Seeking to reveal the huge educational differences of psychologists’ training around the continents, we came across some key questions such as the “borders” of unification, the unification of ethics and what that will mean in the future. These were issues that we promise to bring back to our associations for query, aspiring to a similar symposium with clearer and more fertile ideas to come.

The symposium worked as a basis for a closer cooperation among IAAP Division 15, APAGS and SIP. The formation of a task force, which will have as its goal the authorship of a book with an extended description of psychologists’ education and training on the different continents, is currently under deliberation. At the APAGS reunion, where Division 15 was invited to be present, and at the symposium “Institutions of Psychology in Latin America” (Coordinated by Marcelo Urra, SIP), there was an increasing skepticism about the selection of the mandatory language for international publications. Therefore, the Students’ Division Newsletter, taking a step further for psychology students, is willing and will publish a special issue with articles in Spanish, once a reasonable number is reached.

The Students’ Division, continuing its systematic attempt to create bonds with psychology students all over the world, and especially with South America as a result of the attendance at the XXXII CIP, will be present, via local representatives and printed material, at the 2nd COLAEPsi (Latin-American Congress of Psychology Students, www.colaepsi2009.org) which will take place in Asuncion, Paraguay, 7-10th October 2009. Finally, the “post-congress” goal is to get all those enthusiastic and hard working students, who volunteered and attended the congress, to the 27th International Congress of Applied Psychology (27th ICAP) Melbourne, Australia in 2010 which will delight them with rich scientific and social programs.

Anna Sagana, Bulletin Editor, Division 15

**Division 16 – Counselling Psychology**

Twice each year Division 16 publishes an e-newsletter under the very able editorship of Prof. Maria Malikiosi-Loizos of the University of Athens. The Spring 2009 issue includes articles on Counselling in Italy by Prof. Paolo Valerio, Psychological Counselling in Higher Education: An Overview of Portuguese Reality by Prof. Anabela Maria de Sousa Pereira, Counselling Psychology and Positive Psychology: Comparison of Theory and Practice by Amy Benetou of the University of Athens, an update from Division 17 (Society of Counseling Psychology) of APA by Prof. Donna Schultheiss, and a fine tribute to Prof. Allen Ivey by the editor, among other announcements and information items.

Division 16 would like to share this newsletter and future editions with IAAP members broadly. If you would like to receive a copy and be included on our mailing list, please let the editor, Prof. Maria Malikiosi-Loizos mmalik@ecd.uoa.gr or me Richard.young@ubc.ca know.

The specific attention to counselling in Italy and in higher education in Portugal in the disciplines mentioned above are excellent examples of our science-practice discipline addressing and accounting for local culture. As counselling psychologists, we often work with individuals or small groups, frequently confined within specific countries or even regions of countries. It may appear at times that our work is independent of significant global changes that are occurring at present, including such events as the global economic recession and the significant conflicts in Asia and Africa. However, we know from our experience that our clients are impacted by these global changes, as are we. Not only are we likely to be called upon to assist an increased range of clients from different countries and ethnic groups, we are also being asked to address clients whose cultural worldviews have been significantly impacted by unemployment, dislocation, poverty, war, and systemic discrimination. Our clients’ and our own cultural expectations as well as our sense of who we are and how we can act jointly in these contexts are likely to be in the process
of change. Counseling psychologists can attend to the particular local cultures in which these changes are played out. Division 16, as an international organization of counselling psychologists, provides the opportunity to bring to bear the science and practice of our discipline on understanding and acting within local cultures. The Division provides a vehicle for mutual support in making sense of global cultural shifts and a framework for responding to them. I invite your participation and contribution.

Richard Young, President, Division 16

**Division 17—Professional Practice**

The Division of Professional Practice is a new Division within the IAAP. The President, Amanda Gordon, is representing the interests of this Division on the Scientific Programme Committee of the forthcoming ICAP in Melbourne, Australia, in July 2010. She particularly urges members to submit simposia and papers on issues of interest to Professional Practice. Amanda welcomes contact from members of IAAP with an interest in the new Division, as she intends to build its membership over the coming months and encourage a strong presence in ICAP. Amanda’s interests include working in difficult circumstances with clients (eg Detention settings); Professional Practice in a multicultural environment; respecting cultural differences; Professional Practice standards; registration of the Profession; Managed Care and other settings for the provision of services; the Ethics of Psychology as a Business. Engagement in these and other topics is encouraged.

Amanda Gordon, President, Division 17

**Task Force on Regional Development in Asia**

**Call for Submissions to ICAP 2010**

I would like to encourage our Asian colleagues to submit proposals for symposia, panel discussions and individual oral papers for the 27th International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) in Melbourne in 2010. It would be a great opportunity for Asian scholars to share their research on culturally-relevant or indigenous theories and practices. These sessions could include a group of national papers focused on a topic or cross-national papers to highlight recent developments of applied psychology in this region. With more active participation from Asian scholars, we hope to provide a dynamic forum for greater exchange on the advances in applied psychology in this region.

The proximity of the location of the Melbourne ICAP to Asia will facilitate more of our regional colleagues to attend this international congress. With a number of satellite conferences before and after the ICAP, including the 20th Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology in Melbourne, the 4th International Conference on Psychology Education in Sydney, and the 7th International Test Commission Conference in Hong Kong, July 2010 will be an exciting time in this region.

In addition to your own proposals, I would welcome your suggestions for sessions or activities for Asian scholars that you would like to find at ICAP. Please feel free to contact me:

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**Quote of Note...**

Natural science cannot answer all questions.
Isaiah Berlin. The sense of Reality, 1966

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**Quote of Note...**

He who conquers others is strong. He who conquers himself is mighty.
Lao-Tze. (6th Century BC) Tao Te Ching
Call for Bids for Organizing the 2018 ICAP

The International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) is held every four years. It is organized under the auspices of the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP).

It takes many years to plan and organize an ICAP. For this reason, the IAAP Board of Directors considers proposals and chooses a host for an ICAP eight years before the event is held. Bids for organizing the 2018 ICAP will be considered by the IAAP Board of Directors during a meeting to be held in Melbourne on July 10-11, 2010.

Any national psychological association/society or network of psychological associations/societies in a given country may submit a proposal for organizing an ICAP. Furthermore, any IAAP Full Member, Fellow, Honorary Member, or Student Member may submit a bid for organizing an ICAP in cooperation with a national psychological association/society or network of psychological associations/societies.

The procedure to follow for submitting a bid to host the 2018 ICAP can be found in a recent issue of the IAAP Bulletin (Issue 21-2, July, 2009). The information is also available on line at the IAAP website (http://www.iaapsy.org/index.php?page=Guidelines).

Member News...

Professor Jitendra Mohan was nominated by the University Grants Commission, New Delhi, India as the Emeritus Fellow to conduct research on the stress and burnout among Information and Technology professionals. This is an area which has become exceedingly important in terms of the global financial meltdown and its impact on the executives, managers and leaders in the most important industry in the twentieth century.

Professor Jitendra Mohan completed a chapter on India for The Handbook of the History of Psychology: International Perspectives, under the editorship of Professor David Bacon. It is a part of the Oxford Library of Psychology and will be published by the Oxford University Press, New York, U.S.A.

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To read the IAAP Bulletin (and past Newsletters) on line, go to: http://www.iaapsy.org/. On the right you will see a blue rectangle that says Latest Newsletter. Underneath, click on “View all newsletters.”

Reminder...

This is our last chance in this calendar year to remind you that registration is now open for the ICAP conference in Melbourne. To register go to:

ICAP 2010
Melbourne
**COMMENTARY: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FROM APPLIED PSYCHOLOGISTS**

"You can’t jump a chasm in two hops."
Robert Morgan, 2007

Although IAP is not the largest group of psychologists in the world, it does consist of distinguished and innovative applied psychologists from the full global community, typically leaders in their field and country.

So here is a challenge: If you choose to do so, state a significant problem faced by those in your country or by the global human family (50 words or less) and an untried but innovative solution you propose (150 words or less). Then send your paragraph to me at morganfoundation@earthlink.net in this format:

YOUR NAME_________________________ YOUR COUNTRY________________________

PROBLEM (50 words or less):

PROPOSED SOLUTION (150 words or less):

It might look like this:

NAME: Robert F. Morgan COUNTRY: USA

PROBLEM (50 words or less): The USA is the only major industrialized country to have no universal health care, despite health costs higher than any other country. 50 million people have no health insurance at all.

PROPOSED SOLUTION (150 words or less):

Universal Health Care for the Next Generation.

The United States Veteran’s Administration (VA) is generally recognized as an excellent model of government run health care but, of course, only for military veterans. Why not expand the definition of veteran? If we had 2 years mandatory service for both men and women at the age of 18 or 21 (optional for older Americans) and it included a choice between military service, Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, National Health Service Corps, or similar programs, this would be an opportunity to extend VA benefits to all those who have (or already have) successfully completed 2 or more years of service to their country. In a generation, all Americans would be veterans and all would be covered under the VA plan.

Ideas welcome.
Robert F. Morgan

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**Do you have...**
anything interesting going on in your area that you would like to share with others? Why not tell us? We would love to pass it on to everyone. That idea lurking in the back of your mind may be the very thing someone has been looking for to complete their research. That event may be the thing that helps someone decide to holiday in your area. Tell us, we can tell the world for you. Email Valerie at: vcheam@COMCAST.NET