EDITOR’S CORNER

It is with great pleasure, I present to you the Volume 3 (1 & 2) of Newsletter for Division 3, Psychology and Societal Development. Through this Newsletter, the members would be able to connect to other members, share resources and researches with the wider Division and the Association. We encourage the members to actively participate and connect. In this Volume, we are making announcements related to the upcoming Congress in Montreal. We would request the members to participate in these activities.

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I would like to thank Dr. Shail Shankar, News Letter Editor and Website Liaison for timely release of the Vol. 3 (1 & 2) of the News Letter of the Division 3, Psychology and Societal Development. The News Letter facilitates our communication and development of collaborative academic programs. Your kind attention is drawn to the 29th International Congress of Applied Psychology, Montreal, Canada (June 26-30, 2018). The IAAP Members associated with Division 3 are requested to register without any further delay for ICAP 2018 and apply for travel subsidy grant by May 11, if they are eligible. This volume presents several opportunities of participation and we seek your participation and involvement in development of programs and activities particularly of the Division. Please respond to announcement made in this issue of the News letter. The members are expected to attend various programs of the Division 3 and encourage the fellow participants to do so.

Prof. Janak Pandey
President, Division 3, Psychology and Societal Development
Annual Meeting of Division 3 to be held at 29th ICAP, Montreal, Canada

The Annual meeting of the members of Division 3 Psychology and Societal Development will be included in the program schedule of ICAP 2018. The members of the Division 3 are requested to attend it and send brief notes (less than 100 words) in advance (latest by May 30, 2018) for discussion to the Divisional President Janak Pandey (janakpandey@cbcs.ac.in) suggesting roles and related activities/programs suited to achieve the mission/goals of the Division. They are also encouraged to suggest agenda items for discussion.

Division 3 Invited Lecture at 29th ICAP, Montreal, Canada

Presidential Address: Prof. Janak Pandey; Evolving dimensions of psychology and societal development

Invited Keynote Speaker: Prof. Purnima Singh; Shared social spaces: Crossing boundaries and barriers

Invited Symposium: Prof. Janak Pandey; Sustainable Societal Development

Invited State of the Art Lectures:
Prof. Rolando Diaz Loving: Diaz-Guerrero' Contribution to the internationalisation of Psychology

Prof. Steve Reicher: Understanding toxic leadership

Prof. Rama Charan Tripathi: Un-othering the other: The role of shared cultural spaces

Division 3 Interactive Session with Early Career Scholars at 29th ICAP, Montreal, Canada

The Division 3 announces a 90 minutes interactive session for doctoral fellows, post doctoral fellows and assistant professors in early phase of career to communicate and network with colleagues from different parts of the world. Interested scholars are requested to participate. We also encourage the division members to participate and help us grow further.

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Registration Deadline for ICAP 2018, Montreal

The registration system is open <http://icap2018.com/registration>! If you haven’t already registered, please do so. A reminder that IAAP members qualify for a special member registration rate. Presentations whose authors failed to register will not be included in the program. If you have not yet registered, please do so now.

Travel Subsidies for ICAP 2018, Montreal

The ICAP Organizing Committee is pleased to offer a limited number of travel subsidies. Please consult our website <https://web2.cpa.ca/membersurveys/index.php/477258?lang=en> for the application criteria and a list of required documents. All applications are due by May 11 at 4:00 pm EST.
IN MEMORIUM: PROF. ÇİĞDEM KAĞİTCİBAŞI

The psychology community is saddened by the loss of Prof. Çiğdem Kağıtcıbaşi. Prof. Kağıtcıbaşi has made contributions to field of psychology through her ideas and research and also inspired thousand of students and acclaimed scientists through her teaching. After completing her education from İhsan Çizakça HighSchool, she went on to study at Wellesley College and later the University of California, Berkeley. Prof. Kağıtcıbaşi began her academic career at the Middle East Technical University Department of Psychology, and continued her exemplary research and teaching at Boğaziçi University, Istanbul. She joined Koç University after her retirement. Prof. Kağıtcıbaşi’s work as a member with early childhood education and the development of mother support programs in her country, Turkey, shows her humanist side.

Professor Çiğdem Kağıtcıbaşi served as Vice-President of the International Social Science Council (2004-06) and International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) (1996-2000), serving on the IUPsyS Executive Committee from 1988-2006 with singular distinction. The first female President of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (1990-92), Professor Kağıtcıbaşi was honored with many national and international awards, among which are the TÜBİTAK Science Award; the Roberta Grodberg Simmons Award for her research on adolescence; the Jacobs Foundation Research Award; Ursula Gielen Global Psychology Book Award; and the William Thierry Preyer Award for Excellence in Research. She has also served as President of Divison 3. In her last participation at the Divison, she contributed her ideas for the development of this divison. In mourning the loss of Prof. Kağıtcıbaşi, we celebrate the remarkable life she has lived, and the many ways she has impacted the lives of her students and psychology community. We extend our deepest condolences to her family, colleagues, students, and to the entire scientific community.
First Southeast Asia Regional Conference of Psychology, Hanoi, Vietnam: A Brief Report

The First Southeast Asia Regional Conference of Psychology – “Human well-being and sustainable development” was held in Hanoi, Vietnam from 28th November to 1st December 2017. The Conference served as a major scientific forum for local and international psychologists as well as interested researchers from related fields.

The Conference received support, both tangible and intangible, from leaders of Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS), Vietnam National University (VNU), Nafosted, International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), International Test Committee (ITC), International Association of Cross-cultural Psychology (IACCP), Australian Psychology Society (APS), Chinese Psychology Society (CPS) and the press.

The Conference was carried out in an open academic and professional atmosphere with significant scientific values. Below are a few of the highlights achieved in the Conference:

First, this Conference was prepared in a rather short amount of time – only 9 months from the signing date till the Opening ceremony. Meanwhile, most of the other regional conferences by IAAP more often than not have two years of preparation.

Secondly, the Organizing Committee received 454 quality abstracts from individual and groups of scientists from 35 countries and regions. In particular, 170 full-text papers were submitted, among which 150 papers were qualified for publishing in the Conference 1600-page proceedings after two rounds of peer reviews. The presentations were divided into 13 symposia, 24 spoken sections, and 95 posters with diverse topics revolving around subject well-being, human physical and mental health, sustainable development in various landscapes in the diverse and everchanging global cultures and societies”. There was particularly one roundtable discussions dedicated to psychological testing and measurements. The Conference especially received 13 keynotes from leading psychologists.

Thirdly, 491 scientists, among whom 200 from other 34 countries and regions and 291 from Vietnam (working in 90 organizations), participated, presented and deliberated with significant scientific values during the four working days, which indicated that the chosen topic of the Conference, five capacity building workshops prior to the Conference, and 37 sections of the co-organizers were right decisions, satisfying the academic concerns and attention of domestic and international scientists in the field of psychology.

Finally, the participants of the Conference were not only the leading psychologists who had always been the pioneers of the field even until today, but also young researchers and scientists filled with enthusiasm and aspiration with high proficiency in research and fluency in foreign languages. They are now the successors of the pioneers in today globalizing world. It is a promising sign that we are allowed to expect contributions from the young scientists in the near future and the field of psychology may prosper with significant achievements.

Above is a brief report on achievements of RCP 2017, Hanoi, Vietnam with some editing. Original report can be viewed on the RCP website.
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Committee Members of Division 3, Psychology and Societal Development, encourage the members of this Division to share resources, news regarding conferences, meetings as well as their research work for the Newsletter, which will be published twice a year Issue 1 (January-June) and Issue 2 (July-December). This will help the members present their news and work to the wider members as well as the association.

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