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THE 5TH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERVENTIONS AFTER DISASTER (PIAD)

The 5th International Workshop on Psychological Intervention After Disasters (PIAD) took place from 14-17 November 2016 in Manila, Philippines. The workshop, entitled "Building Individual and Organizational Capacity for Psychological Intervention After Disasters in the Asia and Pacific Region", was held with local support by the University of the Philippines, Diliman, especially colleagues of the psychology department, under the leadership of the Union's Past President, Rainer K. Silbereisen, in collaboration with Nordin Hasan of the ICSU Regional Office for Asia and Pacific. The Union has already run four capacity building workshops in Asia from 2012. The Academy of Science located in Taipei provided the core funding for the workshop through its programme on Integrated Research on Disaster Risk at the International Center of Excellence which is housed at the Center for Sustainability Science. Additional support was provided by the United Nations University International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH), the Chinese Psychological Society, and IUPsyS. As in previous years, in-kind support was provided by ICSU-ROAP and the Center for Applied Developmental Science in Germany.

The focus on the Asia and Pacific region is related to two important facts: First, the four billion inhabitants of the region form 60% of the world's population and 41% of the natural disasters around the world occur in this region, frequently causing extensive damage, loss of life, and severe hardship; and second, the majority of countries in this region often lack an advanced infrastructure or responsive rescue systems, and help is typically concentrated on addressing physical and infrastructural devastation with less attention being paid to effects on individuals and groups, especially of psychological adversity. This year, a total of 25 participants from eight Asian countries attended the workshop. Faculty for the workshop consisted of scholars from Australia, China, New Zealand, Taiwan and USA who are leaders in their fields of research.



Participants of The 5th International Workshop on Psychological Interventions After Disaster (PIAD)

The following presentations were delivered during the workshop:

1. Rainer K. Silbereisen - Disasters: Core Topics and Concepts of Psychological Research and Application
2. Joop de Jung - A Culturally Responsive Model for Disaster Public Mental Health
3. Klaus Boehnke - Disasters as a Source of Personal Growth: Insights from Longitudinal Research
4. Abigail Gewirtz - Prevention and Intervention Research with Children and Families after Disasters
5. Yiqun Gan - Coping with Disasters by Enhancing Meaning in Life and Resilience
6. Regina Hechanova - Resistance, Resilience, Recovery: Southeast Asian Perspectives
7. Motoaki Sugiura - Eight Personal Characteristics Associated with the Power to Live with Disasters as indicated by Survivors of the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake Disaster
8. Abigail Gewirtz - Summary Remarks at End of Workshop

The final report for the workshop, together with faculty presentations may be accessed at: <http://www.iupsys.net/events/capacity-building-workshops/index.html>

Video recordings are also available to view on the IUPsyS YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCsattYq48JGHRFGZcK8g>

32ND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY 2020 (ICP2020)

The 32nd International Congress of Psychology 2020 (ICP2020) will take place in Prague, Czech Republic from 19-24 July 2020. The Congress will be organized around the theme "Psychology in the 21st Century: Open Minds, Societies & World". Please follow ICP 2020 on Facebook: ICP 2020/International Congress of Psychology. For more information and the latest news.



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FIRST STEPS FOR THE ASIA-PACIFIC PSYCHOLOGY ALLIANCE TAKEN AT THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE IN CHENNAI, INDIA

BY PROFESSOR SIMON CROWE AND
PROFESSOR GOH CHEE LEONG

On the 27 July 2016, the attendees at the Asia-Pacific Psychology Leadership Forum, which took place at the International Congress of Psychology meeting in Yokohama, Japan, each became signatories to the Yokohama declaration.

The focus of the delegates at the foundation meeting of declaration was a commitment to the development of the Asia-Pacific Psychology Alliance (APPA) to promote psychology in the Asia-Pacific region and to pursue and execute the goals contained within the Yokohama declaration. On the 28th and 29th of December 2016, a working group of the Alliance came together for a two-day meeting at the National Academy of Psychology Conference in Chennai, India to discuss, explore and expand upon the issues addressed in the Yokohama declaration in pursuit of the development of a framework of operation for the Asia-Pacific psychology alliance in the coming years.

The meeting commenced with an address by Professor Saths Cooper, President of the International Union of Psychological Science, who outlined his vision for the fledgling Alliance and provided his insights and experience with regard to the development of the Pan-African Psychology Union (PAPU) and the Caribbean Alliance of National Psychological Associations (CANPA).

The attendees of the meeting included:

- Professor Simon Crowe, Australia
- Professor Mohammad Rahman, Bangladesh
- Professors Bai Xue Jun and Xian Jan, China
- Professor Prakash Padakannaya, India
- Professor Takao Sato, Japan
- Professor Goh Chee Leong, Malaysia
- Doctor Moana Waitoki, New Zealand
- Doctor Shamala Kumar, Sri Lanka



National delegates participating in the Asia Pacific Psychology Alliance Retreat in Chennai India, 28-29th December 2016

The meeting focused upon five content areas arising from the memorandum: 1) the broader application of psychology, socially and culturally; 2) developing and strengthening regional psychology organisations, specialties and disciplines; 3) promoting research training and professional conduct; 4) advocating for the participation and contribution of psychology to public policy and to the broader society; and 5) the development of the alliance with regard to its governance and structure.

Each content area was addressed by a member or members of the working group.

These were:

1. Sociocultural influences in the development of psychological science in Asia-Pacific Regions. Dr Shamala Kumar, Postgraduate Institute of Management, University of Sri Jayewardanepura & Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki, University of Waikato, and the New Zealand Psychological Society.
2. Developing and strengthening regional psychology, organisations, specialties and disciplines: Professor Simon Crowe, School of Psychology and Public Health, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia.
3. Promoting research, training, and professionalism of conduct within the APPA network: Professor Mohammad Mahmudur Rahman, Department of Clinical Psychology, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.
4. Psychology and the public: Professor Simon Crowe, School of Psychology and Public Health, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia.

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- Governance and structure: the development of an Asia-Pacific psychology union to promote psychology as a science and practice in the Asia-Pacific region: Professor Goh Chee Leong, Faculty of Behavioural Science, HELP University, Malaysia, and Professor Prakash Padakannaya, Department of Psychology, University of Mysore, India.

Arising from the discussion, the group identified three principal benefits associated with the further development of the alliance which all attendees agreed were of significant value. These were:

- Encouraging greater regional research collaboration and development;
- Showcasing psychological sciences role in sustainable development for the region. For example, the amelioration of the impact of poverty through psychological means, and
- Capacity building for the next generation of psychological practitioners and researchers, with a review traversing the brain drain for the region.

A number of issues with regard to the mechanics of the burgeoning alliance were addressed including some consideration of membership categories, the nature of which organisation within a country should be a member of APPA, some discussion of financial and support issues and the development of a roadmap for formalising the structure of the alliance over the next three years. All attendees agreed that significant progress had been made, but that there was still much work to do. But the enthusiasm, excitement, and the shared sense of purpose was palpable, and augurs well for the developing alliance.



Attendees of the Asia Pacific Psychology Alliance Symposium at the 26th National Academy of Psychology (NAOP) meeting in Chennai, India, 29-31 December 2016

IN MEMORIAM: PROFESSOR ANNETTE KARMILOFF-SMITH



Sadly, Annette Karmiloff-Smith passed away on 19 December 2016. She made a seminal contribution to the field of child development and trained under Barbel Inhelder and Jean Piaget (who served on the IUPsyS Executive Committee from 1951 to 1969 and as President from 1954 to 1957). She was awarded the Union's Mattei Dogan Prize in Psychological Science at the International Congress of Psychology in Cape Town in 2012. After receiving this award she wrote "Thank you for giving me the opportunity of attending this excellent conference and visiting this fascinating country. And the award is the most beautiful I have ever received". A short profile on Karmiloff-Smith, the Commendations by the IUPsyS 2012 Awards Jury and the Award statement are available on the IUPsyS website at: <http://www.iupsys.net/about/awards/winner-fondation-mattei-dogan-prize-in-psychological-science.html>



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News from National Members and Affiliates

THE MACAO PSYCHOLOGICAL PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY

The Macao Psychological Professional Society (MPPS) was founded in May 2012 by a group of psychologists comprising a diverse array of specialty areas, including but not limited to clinical psychology, industrial-organizational psychology, and social psychology. In 2013, MPPS applied to join the IUPsyS and this application was unanimously accepted at the 2014 Assembly. Over the last few years, MPPS has attempted to expand its membership to be more representative of the local complex psychology industry. In 2014 and 2015 MPPS has provided input regarding changes in licensing and registration of psychotherapists which was introduced by the Macau government. MPPS represented Macau in the IUPsyS 2016 Assembly for the first time and was one of the signatories to the Yokohama Declaration

(<http://www.iupsys.net/dotAsset/61ac18d7-4bbe-4e2a-83f3-90c5761f43dd.pdf>).

Mission and Vision of MPPS:

- To bring together those who work in various psychological fields in Macao; promote the practice of psychology; enhance professional training standards; and effect cooperation amongst psychology-related professional fields in the Macao SAR
- To coordinate different psychology-related work and education in Macao by organizing professional conferences, academic exchanges, and community networks
- To enhance the Macao community's understanding of psychological practice; provide community services and professional training opportunities for people in need; and engage with the professional bodies

MPPS hopes to facilitate the standards and supports for local psychologists by building up mutually-supportive networks and providing professional support to members. This may include a further revision of the Codes of Ethics in different specialties and the launching of other Committees in the professional development of the MPPS. MPPS also expects to foster connections with other local and international psychological societies to further develop its network.

THE NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

BY: QUENTIN ABRAHAM, PRESIDENT OF THE NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY



The New Zealand Psychological Society

Te Rōpū Mātai Hinengaro o Aotearoa

The New Zealand Psychological Society (NZPS) is the premier professional and scientific association for psychologists in Aotearoa/New Zealand. We have over 1 500 members and subscribers who apply psychology in a wide range of practical and academic contexts to health, welfare, education, young people's services, prisons and businesses. Our collective aim is to improve individual and community wellbeing by disseminating and advancing the rigorous practice of psychology.



Mike Kyrios (Outgoing President of the Australian Psychological Association, APS), Quentin Abraham (President of the New Zealand Psychological Society) and Anthony Cichello (Incoming President of the APS) at the APS Conference, Melbourne, 2016.)

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We continue to seek close links with other psychological associations around the world with Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) with the British Psychological Society, the American Psychological Society, the Australian Psychological Society and the Oceania Psychology Register. Our MOUs extend our commitment to participating in the development of psychology at this global level and our willingness to collaborate on common goals.

Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki, one of our Executive members was a core member of the International Project on Competence in Psychology, which designed a set of global competencies for psychology. She was able to represent the NZPsS's strong commitment to bicultural relations with the first peoples of our country where culture is placed at the centre of a rigorous, diverse and representative form of psychology/psychologies. This set of competencies was adopted by the International Association of Applied Psychology in June 2016 and by the International Union of Psychological Science in July 2016.

We look forward to building on these relationships following the Yokohama declaration with the development of the Asia Pacific Alliance to promote psychology in our region.



Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki

75TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

**BY: SONIA SUCHDAY, CHAIR U.S. NATIONAL COMMITTEE
FOR THE IUPSYS**

The Pace University Psychology Department in New York City has launched the Global Psychology Center focused on creating high-quality academic and professional experiences and build capacity among faculty and students to engage locally on global issues, and globally. At the first Fellows meeting of the Center, there was a lively discussion of how to engage colleagues and trainees in discussion of Psychology's contribution to local and global issues with potential avenues of activity ranging from the creation of think tanks to development of training programs and colloquia focused on Psychology and its applications globally. Details of the Centre's mission and objectives can be found at <http://www.pace.edu/dyson/global-psychology>. The Center is proud to host the 75th annual conference of the International Council of Psychologists with presentation opportunities for international colleagues to visit us in New York City. The URL for submissions are:

- Pre-Conference Workshops: https://pace.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_80J3RHiWX03aESN;
- ICP Submissions (Other formats): https://pace.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_cJadyfsGY3kO4Wp

We are very excited about this new adventure and invite you all to share in our activities. Also, there is an opportunity for international students to participate in a two-week Summer Institute of Global Health & Psychology in New York City entitled "Understanding a Globalized World: Individual, Society, & Culture". Details of this Summer Institute will shortly be available on the website. Information can also be obtained by emailing globalpsych@pace.edu. We hope you will forward the information about the conference to your colleagues and information about the conference and summer institute to your students.

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UNITED NATIONS

10TH ANNUAL PSYCHOLOGY DAY AT THE UN

Psychology Day at the United Nations is a celebration of psychology in the context of the United Nations. It provides an opportunity for psychology to share with U.N. Permanent Missions, U.N. agencies, NGOs and the private sector the activities of psychologists at the U.N. and the role of psychology in addressing concerns of global importance. The 10th Annual Psychology day at the UN will take place on 20 April 2017 under the theme "Promoting Well-being in the 21st Century: Psychological Contributions for Social, Economic, and Environmental Challenges". In 2015, the United Nations established the goal of securing mental health and well-being as a key global priority, integrating it into the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This program will consider the ways in which theory, research, and practice in the Psychology of Wellbeing can increase the welfare of individuals globally to facilitate achievement of the SDGs, and address the challenges of contemporary social, economic, and environmental systems. For more information, see: <https://www.unpsychologyday.com/>



UN VOLUNTEER SERVICE

The United Nations offers various opportunities for short and long term international volunteer assignments. There are also opportunities for online volunteer assignments that enable connection and support amongst organizations and volunteers regarding collaborations. Further information may be obtained at: <https://www.unv.org/>

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



WHO 2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

The WHO reported that 2016 was a turbulent year, "in which the World Health Organization tackled disease outbreaks and humanitarian crises and championed efforts to combat antimicrobial resistance and move towards universal health coverage. It has helped countries eliminate infectious diseases and implement programmes to beat cancer, diabetes and other noncommunicable diseases". A document highlighting the year may be seen at: <http://www.who.int/features/2016/year-review/en/>

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE



MEMBERS OF STRATEGY WORKING GROUP AND TRANSITION TASK FORCE APPOINTED

The International Council for Science (ICSU) and International Social Science Council (ISSC) announced on 10 January 2017 the full list of members of the Strategy Working Group (SWG) and Transition Task Force (TTF) that will develop modalities for a possible merger of the two councils. The TTF comprises 15 members including the Presidents of

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both ISSC and ICSU, namely Alberto Martinelli (ISSC), and Gordon McBean (ICSU); and two additional members of the Executive bodies of each organization (Jinghai Li (ICSU), David Black (ICSU), Saths Cooper (ISSC), Renee van Kessel (ISSC)). Khotso Mokhele, a former ICSU Vice-President for Scientific Planning and Review, and former member of the ISSC Committee for Developing and Transition Economies, will act as Facilitator of the group.

The TFF will develop detailed plans for a possible merger, including with regard to statutes, finances, operations and secretariat structure. IUPsyS is well represented within the TFF with both IUPsyS President Saths Cooper (above) and Past President Bruce Overmier included in this group. Further details may be viewed at:

<http://www.worldsocialscience.org/2017/01/members-strategy-working-group-transition-task-force-appointed-develop-frameworks-possible-icsu-issc-merger/>

The Strategy Working Group (SWG) has been tasked to develop a draft high-level strategy for the new organisation. The SWG will work in parallel to the TFF and comprises nine members. IUPsyS is again highly visible as the SWG will be co-chaired by IUPsyS President Saths Cooper (ISSC Vice-President) and Jinghai Li (ICSU Vice-President), who are both also part of the TFF. This linkage between the two groups is designed to ensure that strategy and governance work of the transition planning process is closely connected and mutually reinforcing.

ICSU CALLS ON THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO RESCIND THE EXECUTIVE ORDER “PROTECTING THE NATION FROM FOREIGN TERRORIST ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES”

ICSU has joined many national and international organizations to call on the government of the United States of America to rescind the Executive Order “Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States,” which is effectively banning entry to the United States for citizens of seven countries. Further information, can be seen at: <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/news/top-news/international-council-for-science-icsu-calls-on-the-government-of-the-united-states-to-rescind-the-executive-order-201cprotecting-the-nation-from-foreign-terrorist-entry-into-the-united-states201d>

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE COUNCIL



ISSC 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

The International Social Science Council has released a presentation that highlights some of the most important activities and outputs for 2016. This presentation may be accessed at: <http://www.worldsocialscience.org/2016/12/highlights/>



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