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Past President Professor Rainer K. Silbereisen has received the 2015 Mentoring Prize of the German Psychological Society (DGPs) in recognition of his exemplary work in supporting the careers of young developmental scientists, nationally and internationally.

IUPsyS 2016 AWARDS

IUPsyS is pleased to announce that approximately 30 nominations for the 2016 IUPsyS Awards were received before the deadline. The jury members are assessing these applications. The awards (http://www.iupsys.net/about/awards/index.html) are as follows:

- Major Advancement in Psychological Science Prize 2016
- Young Investigator Awards 2016
- Achievement Against the Odds Award 2016
- Lifetime Career Award 2016

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY 2016

ICP 2016 will be held in Yokohama, Japan from 24 to 29 July 2016. The conference is intended to promote “Diversity in Harmony,” hoping that psychology will develop further in diverse directions while contributing harmonious solutions to the problems facing contemporary society. Delegates interested in oral and poster presentations should submit abstracts through the Registration & Abstract Submission page by 01 December 2015 (no later than 24:00 Japan Standard Time).

For more information please see:


For more information, see: http://www.icp2016.jp/. You can also follow ICP 2016 on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/ICP2016?fref=ts and on Twitter: https://twitter.com/ICP2016tw
PSYCHOLOGY IN COLOMBIA

The first professional organisation of Psychology in Colombia was founded in 1955, under the name Colombian Federation of Psychology. This organisation helped to define different roles for psychologists and developed the first Ethical Code for Psychology in the country. It also represented Colombia in international forums for many years. The Federation was unable to further contribute to the professionalisation of psychology due to organisational and financial problems, and was replaced by the Colombian Society of Psychology (SCP), founded in 1978. The SCP has organised the Colombian Congress of Psychology since 1982, played an important role in the development of the first law to recognise psychology as a profession (1983), and has represented Colombia in international organisations, including IUPsyS (1992-2012).

The Colombian College of Psychologists (COLPSIC) was founded in 2004. It promoted a new law to regulate psychology as a profession (2006) and was given three public functions by the Colombian Legislature: 1) to issue the professional license for psychologists; 2) to establish a Board of Ethical Conduct; and 3) to register psychologists as health service providers.

COLPSIC has over 35 000 members nationwide and represents the interests of psychologists both at a national (e.g., in the development of public policy), and an international level. It has represented Colombia at the IUPsyS Assembly since 2012. COLPSIC works with other organisations addressing professional issues related to the role of psychologists in society. It has organised a number of National Conferences of Psychology until recently, when the SCP transferred the organisation of the Colombian Congress of Psychology to COLPSIC and ASCOFAPSI (The Colombian Association of Psychology Faculties).

The Colombian Congress of Psychology 2015 was organised along with the 1st Latin American Regional Conference of Psychology, under the aegis of the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS), and in collaboration with the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), and the International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP). It was held in Armenia, Colombia from 02-05 September 2015. The Presidents of IUPsyS (Saths Cooper), IAAP (Janel Gauthier), and IACCP (Patricia Greenfield), the Executive Committee of IUPsyS (R. K. Silbereisen, A. Watts, M. Sabourin, O.A. Barbarin, L. Hernández-Guzmán, P. Maras, J. Pandey, A. Salvador, G. Soygüt, A. Thompson, and J. Zhang), as well as members of the Board of Officers (J. M. Peiró and B. Han) and Board of Directors (R. Ardila, S. Koller, W. López, and R. Díaz-Loving) of IAAP, attended the meeting as a show of support for psychology as a fundamental scientific and professional force in the Latin American region.

They have recognised the growing need for psychological services and the invested response of the psychological community in health issues, the lack of educational opportunities, social inequality, and violence that permeate most counties in the region.

Further information on the 1st Latin American Regional Conference of Psychology at www.congresocolombianodepsicologia.com/en

Colombian Congress of Psychology 2013

Council of the Colombian College of Psychologists
14TH EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY (ECP) 2015

The 14th European Congress of Psychology (ECP) was recently held in Milan, Italy from 07-10 July 2015. This was attended by IUPsyS President Saths Cooper, IUPsyS Past President Rainer K. Silbereisen, and IUPsyS Vice President Tor Levin Hofgaard. The Scientific Program revolved around the major contribution of psychology to Feed the Mind and to provide Energy for Life, by taking advantage of best practices and recent research advances. In accordance with the themes of the 2015 Universal Exposition (EXPO) special consideration was devoted to nutrition, environmental safety and equitable growth among and beyond the traditional topics of psychological research. For more information, see: http://www.ecp2015.it/scientific-program/program-overview/#sthash.lp8rJ9ge.dpuf

The ECP was preceded by the 2015 EXPO held in Milan from 01 May to 31 October 2015 and involved over 20 million physical visitors, 1 billion virtual visitors and 147 countries in exhibitions and thousands of events ranging from world debates and policy meetings to events celebrating the traditions and culture of food. The 2015 EXPO was an extraordinary universal event displaying tradition, creativity and innovation about food safety, security and food quality and sustainable development. The 2015 EXPO sought to involve participants and visitors in actively finding innovative solutions through discussion and an exchange of ideas and opinions. For more information, see: http://www.ecp2015.it/expo-2015/#sthash.kToiWAmF.dpuf

President Cooper interviewed by anchor from RAI TV following the EXPO2015
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President Cooper during the EXPO2015 Milano civil society session on “The Contributions of Psychology for the Strategies of Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life”

Past President Silbereisen speaking at the EXPO session
News from National Members and Affiliates...

THE EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS ASSOCIATIONS (EFPA) 2015 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The EFPA General Assembly that was held on 11-12 July 2015 in Milano, Italy, enjoyed 86% attendance, with only five member countries absent.

Ably chaired by Jamie Hacker Hughes (UK) and Christoph Kabas (Austria), the lengthy agenda - mostly dealing with structure and other biennial reports - was completed in good time. Many reports were unanimously adopted. EFPA finances showed healthy growth. Outgoing Treasurer, Edward Van Rosen (Belgium), and the EFPA leadership can be credited with this success. The cost of the purchase of office space in Brussels has begun to plateau, and expenditure is the lowest since 2009. The European Psychologist achieved its highest impact factor ever under Alexander Grob (Switzerland). Peter Frensch (Germany) will assume editorship in November 2015.

The European Association of Developmental Psychology was welcomed as a new associate member. A Task Force on Clinical Neuropsychology was approved to review education and training in clinical neuropsychology in the region.

The GA accepted the tagline for the EuroPsy certificate: “Trusted psychologist, certified by EFPA” and unanimously adopted a Model Code of Ethics and a set of Recommendations in case of complaints about unethical conduct. The GA also unanimously adopted a statement on ‘Dealing with the Refugee crisis’. The two issues, besides the elections, that lengthily engaged the GA - the EFPA Declaration on Colonialism and Moscow’s hosting of ECP2019 – were both deferred to the Presidents Council, which meets in Lisbon on 20 November 2015.

The GA noted with grave concern the Hofmann Report and involvement by key American Psychological Association (APA) figures in unethical practices involving detainees at US military facilities, watching with keen interest what the APA will do about those implicated. Support was expressed for Greek colleagues who faced intolerable conditions during the debt crisis.

The following were elected as Officers: President: Telmo Mourinho Baptista (Portugal); Secretary General: Robertas Povilaitis (2nd term, Lithuania); and Treasurer: Christoph Steinebach (Germany). The additional Executive Council Members are Eleni Karayianni (Cyprus); Bruna Zani (Italy); and Tor Levin Hofgaard (Norway). Bernard Caruana (Malta) continues on the EC until 2017.

Much appreciation - including standing ovations and gifts - were given to outgoing President Robert Roe (The Netherlands), the outgoing Treasurer Edward Van Rosen (Belgium), and CEO Sabine Steyaert and her staff.

New EFPA Executive Council elected at General Assembly on July 12, 2015 in Milan. Pictured from left to right: Robertas Povilaitis, Bruna Zani, Telmo Mourinho Baptista (President), Eleni Karayianni, Tor Levin Hofgaard, Christoph Steinebachand, and Bernard Caruana at Ramada Plaza Milano.

IUPsyS Vice President Hofgaard with the newly-elected EFPA Treasurer, Christoph Steinebach.
News from International Bodies

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE

International Union of Psychological Science

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INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE (ICSU):
SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL TO AGREE INTERNATIONAL ACCORD ON OPEN DATA

ICSU
International Council for Science

Science International is a new coalition of the major international science bodies – ICSU, the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP), The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), and the International Social Science Council (ISSC) – to bring its members’ combined international representation and credibility to act as a single global voice for science in the international policy arena.

The objectives of “Science International” are:

- To consolidate a fragmented global science policymaking landscape, creating a single, recognised and authoritative global voice of policy for science.
- To deepen strategic alignment amongst partner organizations and develop a platform to catalyse future high-impact initiatives.
- To tackle one issue of relevance to global science policy each year and to follow up on its recommendations over the following two to three years.

At its first meeting, to be held from 07-09 December 2015 in Pretoria, South Africa, the participating institutions will discuss the topic of big data/open data. The meeting will be hosted by South Africa’s Department of Science and Technology and held in parallel with the first South African Open Science Forum and a planned G77 Ministerial meeting. For more information, see:


WHO: GLOBAL CLINICAL PRACTICE NETWORK

World Health Organization

The GCPN was established by WHO’s Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse as a multidisciplinary and multilingual medium for investigating the proposed ICD-11 diagnostic guidelines for mental and behavioural disorders. To provide feedback and to participate in internet-based field studies, and for further information, see:

http://www.globalclinicalpractice.net/

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE COUNCIL: 2016 STEIN ROKKAN PRIZE FOR COMPARATIVE SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH

ISSC
International Social Science Council

The ISSC, ECPR, and the University of Bergen have announced that the nomination process for the 2016 Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research is now open for applications. The prize is open to works in comparative studies from all social science disciplines. Nominated works can be an unpublished manuscript of book length, a monograph or collected works published no more than two years before the award year. The winner receives a diploma and a $5 000 award, which is presented during an ISSC Executive Committee or General Assembly meeting, or at a World Social Science Forum. For more information, see:

http://www.worldsocialscience.org/2015/10/call-nominations-2016-stein-rokkan-prize/