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The IUPsyS Monthly Bulletin is for IUPsyS National Members, Affiliates, and related organizations, and their members. It provides brief updates on the work of the Union and related regional and international matters.



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### IUPSYS AT THE UNITED NATIONS: PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE & VIOLENCE SYMPOSIUM

The IUPsyS United Nations (UN) Presidential Task Force hosted a Symposium on "Psychological Science & Violence: A Global Call to Action" in New York, on 8 February 2016, in conjunction with Pace University's Dyson College of Arts and Sciences Psychology Department and the US National Academy of Sciences National Committee for the IUPsyS, which is the IUPsyS national member. The event, which was well-attended despite a snow storm, was co-sponsored by Pace University's Office of International Programs and Services, the Psychology Coalition at the UN (PCUN), the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) and the World Council of Psychotherapy (WCP).

Florence Denmark introduced the speakers. IUPsyS President, Saths Cooper, was the keynote speaker, and critical presentations were made by IUPsyS Executive Committee members Ava Thompson, Oscar Barbarin and Sonia Suchday, the Chair of Psychology at Pace and the Chair of the US National Committee. Presenting a definitional overview of violence, Cooper outlined the contextual factors impacting the multifarious manifestations of violence in both developed and majority world settings.

Showing the effects of epistemic violence, which is often ignored, he urged that researchers and practitioners contribute to reducing the causes of violence in their quest for a more peaceful world, and work tirelessly on changing policy to curtail the psychosocial-economic causes of violence.

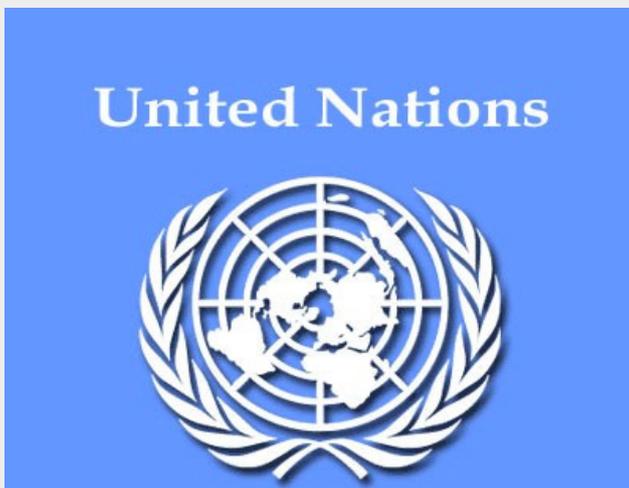
The interactive session with student, faculty and outside guest participants - who provided very favourable feedback - had to be curtailed, but intense discussions continued beyond the venue.

### IUPSYS MEETS CARIBBEAN AND INDIAN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE UN

The IUPsyS UN team and the PCUN maximised the presence of the IUPsyS leadership in New York from 8 to 10 February. They scheduled meetings with certain regional and country representatives to the United Nations. Fruitful engagements were held with the representative to the UN of the 15-nation Caribbean Community and Common Market (CARICOM), Ambassador Missouri Sherman-Peter, and the Bahamas and Indian Missions to the UN.

An outcome of all three meetings was a greater understanding of the potential role that psychology could play in helping the Missions attain their goals. Each Mission committed to a specific follow-up activity as a result of the meeting. For example, the Bahamian Mission recognised the value of psychology for a meeting that it had planned on Gender-based Violence in the Caribbean: A Cause for Concern and A Call to Action and made room in the meeting agenda for a presentation providing insights from psychology on violence. The Bahamas Psychological Association has identified psychologist Barrington Brennen who will address Caribbean Psychological Science and Gender-based Violence: Progress and The Way Forward at the meeting that will be held at the UN on 18 March 2016. This is a model of how IUPsyS can partner with UN agencies and country missions.

India's Permanent Representative to the UN, Ambassador Syed Akbaruddin, was interested in psychology in the majority world and the significant contributions of Indian psychology in the development of indigenous psychology. He also indicated strong interest in partnering with the IUPsyS and related psychology groups at the UN. The briefing of CARICOM's Ambassador Sherman-Peter included an overview of the work of IUPsyS affiliate, the Caribbean Alliance of National Psychological Associations (CANPA), which was launched in 2013. Exciting partnerships for IUPsyS, its national members and affiliates are in the offing.



L-R: Ava Thompson (IUPsyS), Judy Kurianksy (IAAP), Rashmi Jaipal (APA), Sonia Suchday (USNC), Indian Ambassador Syed Akbaruddin, Saths Cooper (IUPsyS President), Oscar Barbarin (IUPsyS)

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### 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". The abstract submission site of ICP 2016 closed on 15 January 2016 and more than 8 400 abstract submissions were received from participants globally. These have been reviewed by the program committee and the finalized scientific program will be published on the ICP2016 website.

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>.

The latest newsletter may be viewed at: [http://www.icp2016.jp/newsletter/ICP2016\\_Newsletter\\_March2016.pdf](http://www.icp2016.jp/newsletter/ICP2016_Newsletter_March2016.pdf)



### THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERVENTION AFTER DISASTERS – FINAL REPORT

The 4th International Workshop on Psychological Intervention after Disasters (PIAD) took place in Taipei, Taiwan from 9-12 November 2015. The Final Report is available at: <http://www.iupsys.net/events/capacity-building-workshops/index.html>

### IJP: SPECIAL SECTIONS

The International Journal of Psychology (IJP) has published two new Special Sections, accompanied by videocasts that are produced by the guest editors and which summarise the results in a vivid and instructive manner. Sean Hughes, Guest Editor, introduces the Special Section on The Functional-Cognitive Framework, and Professor Peter F. Titzmann introduces the IJP Special Section on Immigration.

For more information and to view the videocasts, please visit:  
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1002/%28ISSN%291464-066X>

## News from National Members and Affiliates

### IN MEMORIAM PROF. DR. ROBERT ROE

It is with great shock and a profound sense of loss that IUPsyS received the sad news that Professor Dr Robert Roe passed away on 22 February 2016.

In a distinguished career, spanning some five decades of significant scientific and applied knowledge and experience, Professor Roe impacted countless people and various organisations globally who were fortunate to interact with him as friend, student, mentor, colleague and fellow psychologist.

Robert exhibited rare leadership traits and singular vision that endeared him to many while ruffling the few who failed to apprehend his foresight and critical thinking on important scientific, professional, social and historical matters impacting the discipline of psychology and our fragile world.

Robert will be remembered for his essential role in consolidating European psychology and building regional and international collaboration. His focus was always on making psychology relevant for society as a whole, and he often correctly claimed that "psychology is indigenous". Amongst his many leadership roles, Robert was the founding-president of the European Association of Work and Organizational Psychology (EAWOP, 1991-1997), and was the dynamic immediate past president of the European Federation for Psychologists' Association (EFPA, 2009-15). An abiding legacy will be his inspiring attempt to craft a meaningful statement on colonialism that sought to move beyond blame and mitigate its immense and ongoing effects on the majority world.

We mourn the loss of a considerable presence in psychology globally, a wonderful colleague, a warm friend, and a tremendous human being. There will be few others like him.

Our sincere and deep condolences go to his wife Marika, his son and his daughter.



*Dr. Robert Roe*

### NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PSYCHOLOGY (INDIA) CELEBRATES SILVER JUBILEE



#### NATIONAL ACADEMY OF PSYCHOLOGY (INDIA)

Celebrating a Silver Jubilee is important in the life of any institution. When it is the highly-contested organised psychology space in a country and region where organisations claiming representative status abound, the 25th Anniversary of NAOP-India deserves due recognition and assumes immense import for all of us in international psychology.

The International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) traces its founding to the very first International Congress of Psychology held in Paris, France, from 6 to 12 August 1889. India has been a national member since 1966. When it became clear that the previous entity was dysfunctional, IUPsyS warmly welcomed NAOP-India as its nationally representative Indian member in 2004. NAOP-India has been an active national member, doing Indian psychology proud, since then; testimony to NAOP-India's solid foundations in scientific psychology and its numerous applications in society.

NAOP-India has grown in strength and influence, and represents the trend to excellence in organized professional psychology globally. It also continues to place the science of our discipline foremost in all of its endeavours. Of particular significance is NAOP-India's engendering of collegiality and cooperation amongst psychologists in the developing world and its championing of psychology in the Asian region, which we trust will help to fly psychology's flag high and be exemplary for other regions of the world. Certain IUPsyS current and former Executive Committee members will be active delegates at this Silver Jubilee Conference in Allahabad, the second-oldest city in India, which has produced seven of India's fifteen prime ministers, starting with Jawaharlal Nehru.

The IUPsyS Executive Committee, on behalf of some 90 national members and its more than 20 regional and international affiliates of IUPsyS, join me in congratulating NAOP-India on its Silver Jubilee Conference and wishing NAOP-India well for the next 25 years – Saths Cooper.

## News from National Members and Affiliates

### 2016 AUSTRALIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY CONGRESS



The Australian Psychological Society (APS) is delighted to invite students and colleagues from across the world to attend the 2016 APS Congress in Melbourne, Australia. The Congress will be one of the largest psychology meetings in the Southern Hemisphere for 2016, with an exciting program of keynote addresses, workshops, how-to sessions and free papers across the full range of the discipline and profession.

The Congress will take place in Australia's sophisticated second city, Melbourne, with its cafe society, fine dining, exciting arts precincts, funky shopping, sports madness, and is the gateway to the exciting natural wonders of regional Victoria and the South Coast. The Congress comes at the end of the APS 50th year of celebrations for the Society and focuses on the theme of "Psychology United for the Future". Melbourne is of course an excellent stepping off point for other 'bucket list' locations and experiences in Australia, including the Great Barrier Reef, the excitement of cosmopolitan Sydney and Brisbane, the red centre including Uluru, as well as premier wine districts across the nation, including the Hunter Valley, the Barossa Valley, the Coonawarra, as well as the delights of the Margaret River in Western Australia.

The 2016 APS Congress celebrates the unity and strength of the profession developed in Australia over the last 50 years and allows all psychologists to explore the rich tapestry of Australian psychology and emerging from this, to discuss and launch into an exciting and well-informed approach to the psychological future. We know that many colleagues will have personal as well as professional connections in Australia so coming "down under" will provide professional opportunities as well as opportunities to catch up with colleagues, family and friends.

We will be delighted to welcome and host our colleagues from across the globe and to allow them to feast on the best of Australian psychology.

### 2016 AUSTRALIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY CONGRESS

Just announced are the following confirmed Congress Keynote Speakers:



**Professor Diane F. Halpern**  
*Keck Graduate Institute (United States of America)*



**Professor Scott O. Lilienfeld**  
*Emory University (United States of America)*



**Associate Professor Gene Moyle**  
*Queensland University of Technology (Australia)*



**Professor Nick Sevdalis**  
*University College London (United Kingdom)*

Join us for this stellar event!

Professor Simon Crowe HonFAPS, Conference Chair  
1st APS National Congress, 2016.

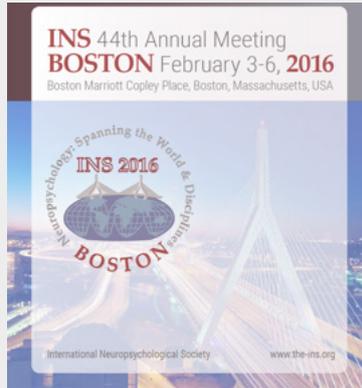
Please visit the Congress website for more information on the program, registration and lots more. <http://www.2016congress.com.au/>



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### IUPSY S SECRETARY-GENERAL WATTS COMPLETES TERM AS INS PRESIDENT

IUPsyS Secretary-General, Ann Watts recently completed her 2015 term as President of the International Neuropsychological Society (INS), an IUPsyS Affiliate. In February she welcomed over 2100 delegates to Boston for the 44th Annual Meeting of the INS. The theme of the Meeting was "Neuropsychology: Spanning the World and Disciplines", a theme which reflected an "appreciation of the international and multidisciplinary contributions to neuropsychology and INS". The conference program featured leading speakers from a multitude of countries and disciplines, and covered an array of topics from "brain-behaviour relationships to multi-modal imaging approaches, and statistical modeling targeted at neuroscience research".



Dr Watts' Presidential Address entitled "Developing Neuropsychology in Developing Countries: An African Perspective" delineated the specific public health problems that point to the need for neuropsychological research, education and training services in developing countries; and also interrogated the challenges related to applying neuropsychological principles developed in the West to contexts of multi-cultural diversity.

During this Meeting the INS also signed its first Memorandum of Understanding with the Federation of European Neuropsychological Societies (FESN), signalling its commitment to global collaborations. For more information, see: [http://www.the-ins.org/annualmeeting\\_2016](http://www.the-ins.org/annualmeeting_2016)



*Dr Watts, President of INS, and Erik Hessen, President of ESN after signing the MOU*



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## News from International Bodies

### INAUGURAL MEETING OF SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL

In December, the International Council for Science (ICSU) participated in the inaugural meeting of Science International on the topic 'Big Data/Open Data'. At the meeting ICSU, together with the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP), the International Social Science Council (ISSC), and The World Academy of Sciences IAP, agreed to a new accord "Open Data in a Big Data World", which details principles and practices to support open access to "big data" used in publically funded research.

For the first time, four organisations representing science at the highest level are speaking with one voice and have committed to mobilising their members to ensure that the principles laid down in the accord can be rolled out globally. For more information, see: <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/news/top-news/leading-science-groups-urge-global-accord-on-open-data-in-a-big-data-world>



### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION GLOBAL CLINICAL PRACTICE



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/>



Visit <http://www.iupsys.net/> for more information