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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION: REVISION OF ICD-10 MENTAL AND BEHAVIOURAL DISORDERS



**World Health
Organization**

IUPsyS is psychology's international organization in Official Relations with the WHO and these were renewed in January 2014. In this capacity

IUPsyS was appointed to the International Advisory Group (IAG) for the Revision of ICD-10 Mental and Behavioural Disorders in 2006 and Secretary General, Dr Ann Watts, currently represents the Union on the IAG. Psychology's contributions to the development of ICD-11 remain a key IUPsyS strategic priority. To support this important initiative the IUPsyS has seconded psychologist Dr Geoffrey Reed to the WHO to serve as Senior Project Officer for the Mental and Behavioural Disorders component of the ICD-10 revision. In this capacity Dr Reed reports to the Director of the WHO Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Dr Shekhar Saxeena, and Dr Pierre Ritchie, Co-Main Representative (Psychology) to WHO. Dr Reed's work at WHO has been supported by major grants from the American Psychological Association (APA) to IUPsyS (2008-12; 2013-14; 2015-6). The Agreement for the 2015-16 grant was signed in Paris in July by IUPsyS Secretary General, Dr Ann Watts, and APA CEO, Dr Norman Anderson. Institutional support for the revision process has also been provided by, for example, the University of Ottawa.

WHO Clinical Practice Network

The IUPsyS has coordinated the involvement of National Members in the ICD-10 revision project. This has included the recruitment of individual psychologists for focal activities and the participation of thousands of psychologists world-wide in ICD surveys, formative and evaluative field trials, and related activities. In this regard, the IUPsyS is inviting psychologists to register for the WHO Global Clinical Practice Network. By joining this network you will be part of an international and multidisciplinary group of mental health and primary care professionals from all parts of the world who will provide important input on the ICD-11. This will help ensure it's clinical utility across a range of contexts and cultures. To find out more about the WHO Global Clinical Practice Network and to register for it please follow this link: <http://www.globalclinicalpractice.net>



IUPsyS Secretary General, Ann Watts (front left), and APA CEO, Norman Anderson (front right), sign the Agreement for the 2015-16 grant for the ICD-10 Revision Project, witnessed by Pierre Ritchie, Co-Main Representative (Psychology) to WHO (back left) and Merry Bullock, Senior Director, Office of International Affairs, APA (back right).

APA AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL ADVANCEMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY



President Cooper has received the APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology. IUPsyS congratulates President Cooper on this award. For more information, see: <http://www.apa.org/international/pi/2013/12/award-recipients.aspx>

ICP 2016

For more information, see: <http://www.icp2016.jp/>.

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News from National Members and Affiliates

FINNISH PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY



The Finnish Psychological Society (FPS) was established in 1935 as a society of students of psychology at the University of Helsinki, Finland. Most of the founders were later Professors in psychology. In 1946, the name, FPS, was accepted, and in 1952, the Finnish Psychological Society (www.psykologia.fi) was registered as a scientific society. It also joined the International Union of Psychological Science, as well as the Finnish Federation of Scientific Societies (www.tsv.fi).

A fundamental dilemma has been the tendency of research and practice to take their separate paths – academia requiring the reviewed, rigorous papers, and practice needing to establish professional expertise among other professions. These trajectories lead easily into positions, which do not also communicate together. Also within academia, there are tensions between departments, easily leading to unfruitful positions. The main task of FPS has been, and still is, to support and re-establish communication and co-operation between university departments and between academic research and professional fields.

FPS as a scientific society has since the 1950's been interested in promoting teaching and research in universities, leading at the end of 1980's to the present situation, where the departments of psychology at six universities work together as the Finnish University Network of Psychology called "the Psykonet" (www.psykonet.fi/english). The Network co-operates both on the undergraduate and the postgraduate levels. Since the 1950's, the number of psychologists had started to increase, and their professional and financial needs required attention. A new association was established in 1957, Finnish Psychological Association (FPA) (www.psyli.fi), to advocate for the professional, financial and social benefits for psychologists. There are approximately 5 500 licensed psychologists in Finland.

The present situation is that psychology as an academic subject is very attractive, and that the training of psychologists aims for generic competence. Training leads to an approved certificate with a legal status. The bridges between FPS and FPA have been carefully constructed in order to join forces to promote both the academic subject and profession: the Psykonet for educating psychologists; the Test Commission to supervise and support the testing standards; the joint biannual congresses; two journals; as well as a Scientific Council to prepare and approve best practices, uniting scientific results and professional practices. Within IUPsyS, the two Finnish organizations co-operate.

ZIMBABWE PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION



The Zimbabwe Psychological Association (ZPA) has undergone significant structural and strategic changes since September 2013, which have culminated in the election of a new Executive Council. After many years of ZPA inactivity due to the socio-economic meltdown in Zimbabwe and the consequent departure of psychologists to other countries, a steering committee under the leadership of Edwin Nharirire was tasked with charting the way forward for ZPA. On the 26 March 2014 the association's members met and elected a new Executive Council as follow:

- Phillip Moses - President
- Tarisayi Ndengu - Vice President
- Edwin Nharirire - Secretary and Treasurer
- Gwatirera Javangwe - Director Training
- Pfungwa Dhliwayo - Director Collective Bargaining
- Douglas Zvomuya - Director Professional Affairs
- Debra Machando - Director Membership Affairs
- Lazarus Kajawu - Director Development South
- Simbarashe Mazani - Director Development East

Location: ZPA offices are currently located at Industrial Psychology Consultants (Pty) Ltd, No.1 Grosvenor Road, Highlands, Harare, Zimbabwe.

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The new ZPA Executive Council is prioritizing the following areas:

- **Constitutional Amendments:** This will see ZPA amending their constitution in line with emerging issues in other jurisdictions.
- **Zimbabwe Journal of Psychology:** For the first time ever, ZPA has taken a strategic decision to host the journal in collaboration with interested publishing agencies.
- **Membership Drive:** Having started with 20 psychologists, the membership has grown to 120 and ZPA hopes to reach a target of 200 by the end of the current year.
- **Continuous Professional Development:** ZPA seeks to partner with like-minded organizations in this field and is currently developing a CPD programme.
- **Internship Program:** ZPA is working with the Allied Health Practitioners Council to strengthen the internship program. This should result in more psychologists being registered for professional practice.
- **Registration of Psychologists:** ZPA is working with the Allied Health Practitioners Council to ensure that the registration of psychologists is transparent and professional.
- **Website:** ZPA is currently developing a website that should be active by the end of the year.

CARIBBEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF PSYCHOLOGY (CRCP)

A reminder that the CRCP will take place in Suriname from 11 – 14 November 2014.

For more information, see: <http://canpanet.org/index.php/crcp2014-registration>



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