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RAINER K. SILBEREISEN RECEIVES EARA LIFETIME AWARD



IUPsyS Past President, Rainer K. Silbereisen

The renowned developmental psychologist and former President of IUPsyS recently received the Lifetime Award of the European Association for Research on Adolescence (EARA). The official award ceremony will take place at the 14th Biennial Conference of the Association in September 2014, in Izmir-Cesme, Turkey.

This brings to three the number of prestigious awards that have been bestowed on Professor Silbereisen in just as many years.

Considered together the awards reflect the policy, applied focus and cross-cultural work that have intersected to define his work over the last 40 years. In 2010, the social relevance of Silbereisen's developmental research was recognised in the form of the Franz-Emanuel-Weinert Award of the German Psychological Society (DGPs). In 2012 he was the recipient of the International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development's (ISSBD) Distinguished Scientific Award for Applications of Behavioral Development Theory and Research. This award recognises the applied value of developmental research to advancing human welfare. The latest award highlights Silbereisen's role in driving several international collaborations as facilitators of important research projects that have unquestionably advanced the state of knowledge in his field over his lifespan.

For Professor Silbereisen the awards represent 'an appreciation of a scientific life devoted to understanding and intervening across the ecological dimensions of harms to human well-being'. The journey of this work is fully described in a recent autobiographical reflection of his life as a developmental scientist in Silbereisen, R. K. (2014). *Development as Action in Context* In R. M. Lerner, A. C. Petersen, R. K. Silbereisen & J. Brooks-Gunn (Eds.), *The Developmental Science of Adolescence: History Through Autobiography* (pp. 457-473). New York: Psychology Press.

SATHS COOPER RECEIVES BPS AWARD OF HONORARY FELLOW

IUPsySPresident, Saths Cooper, was presented with a certificate at the British Psychological Society (BPS) AGM in May 2014 to mark his prestigious award of Honorary Fellowship after having been elected as an Honorary Fellow at the BPS 2013 AGM.

Honorary Fellowship of the BPS is the highest honour awarded by the BPS (see <http://hopc.bps.org.uk/histres/bpshistory/honfellows2.cfm> for a list of recipients) and must be supported by at least three quarters of the membership of the BPS Representative Council. Following successful nomination, Honorary Fellows are elected by acclamation at the Annual General Meeting following the reading of a eulogy by the BPS Honorary General Secretary. In making the award the BPS recognised Cooper's significant achievements and many contributions to psychology including his leadership in restoring credibility to South African psychology after its years of isolation during Apartheid and his significant contributions to international psychology including as the first sub-Saharan African to be elected to the Executive Committee of the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) in 2000 and the first person from outside Europe and North America to be elected President of IUPsyS in 2012.



Dorothy Miel (BPS President); Richard Mallows (BPS Vice President); Saths Cooper; Pam Maras (BPS Honorary General Secretary)

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BRUCE OVERMIER RECEIVES APA'S OUTSTANDING GRADUATE TEACHING OF PSYCHOLOGY AWARD

The APA Board of Education Affairs (BEA) has selected Bruce Overmier as one of two winners of the Outstanding Graduate Teaching of Psychology as a Core STEM Discipline Award for 2014. This is the introductory year for this new award. According to the APA, the award "recognizes the contributions of a graduate-level professor whose teaching contributions exemplify psychology as a core science among the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Teaching contributions include excellence in mentoring of graduate students, outstanding teaching both within the university and beyond in the broader community of psychological scientists, and effective leadership roles that foster the educational mission of advancing psychology as a core STEM discipline at the doctoral level. Also considered were the candidate's own scientific contributions to psychology, and how they have affected the production of psychological scientists who have pursued scholarship in basic psychological science." IUPsyS congratulates Overmier on this well-deserved honor.



Bruce Overmier

ICP 2016 – Second Announcement

The ICP 2016 Second Announcement has been released. Please download the PDF file and look at the preliminary scientific program. For more information, see:

<http://www.icp2016.jp/>.

You can also follow ICP 2016 on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ICP2016?fref=ts>



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The 31st International Congress of Psychology

July 24-29, 2016
YOKOHAMA, JAPAN

2nd Announcement
Call for Abstracts

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News from National Members and Affiliates

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRIAN PSYCHOLOGISTS (BÖP)



The IUPsyS National Member, The Federation of Austrian Associations of Psychologists, comprises two associations: The Austrian Psychological Society, representing those who conduct psychological research, and the Professional Association of Austrian Psychologists (BÖP), representing practitioners in Austria.

The Professional Association of Austrian Psychologists was founded in 1953 as an all-Austrian association with its headquarter in Vienna. Their aim is the significant involvement in the psychosocial care of Austria, the representation of psychologists' professional interests and informing the public about the importance of psychology and the work of psychologists for society.

Currently the Professional Association of Austrian Psychologists represents 4 700 academically trained psychologists, who work either independently or in various institutions and organisations. The Professional Association of Austrian Psychologists has connections to all organisations of political or social importance for psychologists in Austria. BÖP and the Austrian Psychological Society form the Federation of Austrian Associations of Psychologists.

BÖP is organised into 9 federal state groups and also into 12 divisions as follows:

- Child, Adolescent and Family Psychology
- Clinical and Health Psychology
- Disaster and Crisis Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Forensic Psychology
- Gerontopsychology
- Mediation
- Occupational, Industrial, and Organisational Psychology
- Psychotherapy
- Sports Psychology
- Traffic Psychology
- Trauma Psychology

BÖP is a founding member of the European Federation of Psychologists' Associations (EFPA) <http://www.efpa.eu/>. Since 2012 BÖP have awarded the EuroPsy-Certificate to Austrian psychologists and presently there are 230 Austrian psychologists with a EuroPsy-Certificate.

Since 1990 there has been a law for psychologists, which guarantees comprehensive protection of titles, quality criteria and also sets down rules for clinical psychologists and health psychologists. The law also includes a code of ethics and this law was rewritten in 2013 and will come into force on 01 July 2014.

The Association has had its "Austrian Academy of Psychology" (ÖAP) since 1985 and publishes the magazine "Psychologie in Österreich". PlattformStudenten" (PLAST) is the students' organisation. The Board consists of seven members.

Three members of the Board form the Executive Committee and represent BÖP in the public. The chair of divisions and the federal state groups act as consultants in Board meetings. Visit <http://www.oegp.net>



BÖP Executive Council: Dr Cornel Binder-Krieglstein, Vice-President; Dr Sandra Lettner, President; Veronika Holzgruber, Vice-President



EuroPsy2012 Awards Ceremony

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PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF NAMIBIA

The Psychological Association of Namibia is the only association for psychologists and psychological counsellors in Namibia. It has an executive committee that comprises seven members. The aims of the Association are as follows:

1. To advance the theory, practice and professional exercise of psychology as a science, and to stimulate research;
2. To further contact between psychology and other disciplines and professions;
3. To counter abuses in the area pertinent to psychology as a science;
4. To gather and distribute relevant information;
5. To act as mouthpiece for members of the Association

The Association achieved its aims for the period 2013/2014 through the following projects and activities:

A: Opportunities for further training were:

- Presentations on gender-based violence and child welfare
- A workshop on the DSM 5
- A training on forensic work in psychology

B: The Peer Support Committee, which deals with ethical matters reviews cases brought to its attention. The biggest concern remains the practice of "hypnotherapists", who are not registered with the Health Professions' Council of Namibia and advertise treatments for psychiatric conditions. A criminal charge against one such individual has been made by the PAN Executive Committee.

Furthermore, in a meeting with all medical aid funds, PAN realised the need for an ethical agreement with the Medical Aids. Medical Aids and Administrators will work in collaboration with PAN's Peer Support Committee to manage any ethical concerns.

C: The continuous evaluation of relevant legislation has been a taxing matter with regard to medical aid funds, their administrators and the impact they have on the psychology

community. The Namibian Private Practitioners' Forum was created to address these matters for all medical professions. PAN has also formed an alliance with the NPPF because it has realised the importance of having the backing of a stronger organisation when trying to negotiate for change on a macro level.

PAN also joined the NPPF in negotiations with the Ministry of Health and Social Services on the establishing of a Medical Control Board, with the aim of managing all health matters in Namibia from a public-private partnership. PAN continues consulting with the NPPF on various matters.

D: Creating awareness of and making psychological services known, poses many challenges in the country of vast space and many languages. PAN's English mental health information pamphlets were translated into Afrikaans, Oshiwambo, Portuguese and German.

PAN published a newspaper article, together with "Alzheimers Namibia", for 2013's World Mental Health Day topic of "Mental health in older people". The translated version of the pamphlet was published twice in the Oshiwambo newspaper "Kundana". This newspaper is distributed to many rural areas where other mental health awareness campaigns do not necessarily reach.

E: PAN has two seats on the committee under the Ministry of Veteran Affairs advising on psychosocial services for veterans. PAN also has been appointed to the Hospital Board: Mental Health Care Centre by the Minister of Health and Social Services. This board reports to, and advises the Minister on the Mental Health Facility.

F: The promotion and advancement of members' interests, was upheld through the following activities:

- PAN was able to secure electronic publications from Windhoek's UNICEF library, which has, unfortunately, been closed down. These valuable publications, research articles and books will soon be available on the PAN website.
- PAN participated in the second consultative workshop for the Pan African Psychology Union, which was held on 26 September 2013 in Johannesburg, South Africa. PAN is to become a National Member of PAPU.
- Members' interests are continuously represented by PAN in its many consultations with medical aid funds, be it the challenging of availability of funds or the negotiation of tariffs.

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Sociedad Mexicana de Psicología, A. C.

MEXICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Mexican Psychological Society/Sociedad Mexicana de Psicología (SMP), founded in 1950, is the oldest psychological organization in Mexico and one of the first founded in Latin America aimed at disseminating scientific psychology and psychological professional activity.

Its objectives include

- Promoting participation and collaboration among psychologists and their continuous advancement,
- Collaborating in the certification of psychologists practicing in applied areas and the accreditation of psychology education programs,
- Helping to make policy decisions and laws to benefit society and the professional community,
- Guiding consumers of psychological services and assuring ethical conduct and professional quality.

The Code of Ethics developed by SMP is highly regarded and the most influential among Mexican psychologists. Also, the Mexican Journal of Psychology is the only scientific periodical on psychology in Mexico with international recognition and an impact factor according to the World of Knowledge, Thompson Reuters. SMP has participated in the task force for the regulation of professional psychology created by the Mexican Ministries of Health and Education. It currently sponsors the professional certification process in our country, specifically by signing an agreement with the National Center of Evaluation in Higher Education (CENEVAL) in charge of developing and applying the Professional Certification Test (EUC-PSI).

SMP also propels many actions aimed at strengthening our discipline and professional practice, as well as updating the ethical and legal framework of psychology in Mexico. Likewise, we offer education and vocational training to psychologists all over the country through our successful Continuing Education program. Noteworthy, this intense institutional activity includes our participation in initiatives, committees and work groups in conjunction with national and international organizations, leading to the advancement of scientific psychology in Mexico and its projection at an international level.



LAUNCH OF THE CARIBBEAN ALLIANCE OF NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS

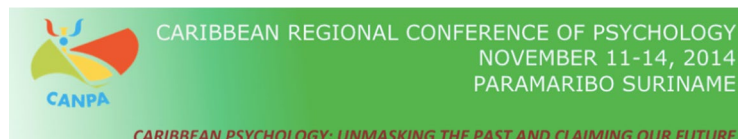


The Caribbean Alliance of National Psychological Associations (CANPA) was officially launched in Grenada at the meeting of the Caribbean Studies Association. CANPA includes national

organizations from across the Caribbean, from the Bahamas to Martinique to Haiti. For the first time, the Caribbean now has a regional alliance of psychological associations. The goal of the organization is to provide a "structure that will bring a unifying voice and mission to the activities of psychologists from the region, the Caribbean diaspora and its supporters to improve the lives of our populations," said Ava Thomson, President of the organization, in a statement. CANPA is organised as a regional network of national organizations of psychologists throughout the broader Caribbean, embracing the linguistic and cultural diversity that is found in the region. Photos at: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/97362796@N08/> Launch: <http://psychologyinthecaribbean.org/node/45>

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>





News from International Bodies

ICSU VACANCIES: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & HEAD OF SCIENCE PROGRAMMES

The International Council for Science (ICSU) is seeking an Executive Director, to manage the implementation of the strategic goals and plans of the organization, manage its Secretariat and direct day-to-day operations. The Executive Director is expected to act to achieve ICSU's mission, strategy and plans, and contribute to their formulation and development and ensure effective links between ICSU and partners in the UN, governmental and non-governmental sectors and help raising funds in support of ICSU's programmes. ICSU is also has a vacancy for a Head of Science Programmes and the successful applicant will be expected to develop and deliver ICSU's science initiatives.

For more information, see: <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/jobs-at-icsu/jobs/vacancy-executive-director> and <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/jobs-at-icsu/jobs/head-of-science-programmes>



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