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ICP2020: THE DEADLINE IS APPROACHING!

Do not miss the opportunity to be at the top event in the field of psychology which takes place only once every four years. We invite you to participate, to share your scientific results, to network, and to exchange opinions in the spirit of the Congress motto, “Open Minds, Societies and the World”.

DEADLINE:
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION - 01 DECEMBER 2019
EARLY REGISTRATION - 01 DECEMBER 2019

We could hardly find a more suitable place for the congress than Prague, the beautiful capital of the Czech Republic in the heart of Europe. The venue of ICP2020 is the Prague Congress Centre, easily accessible, with wonderful panoramic views of the city and located next to the UNESCO historical site of Vyšehrad.

The rich and varied programme will feature state-of-the-art lectures, keynote addresses, invited symposia, debates on controversial themes, round tables, close encounters, and workshops conducted by top experts from a variety of fields of psychology. Listen to and meet Daniel Kahneman, Philip Zimbardo, Christina Maslach, Robert Cialdini, Shalom Schwartz, Lisa Diamond, Jonathan Passmore, Radek Ptáček, Michal Miovský and many other personalities of current psychology. Hundreds of experts from all over the world have already confirmed their participation and thousands of psychologists plan to present with oral presentations, posters and symposiums. The Scientific Programme includes over 40 thematic areas and more than 100 topics.

For detailed information about the Congress such as important dates, keynote speakers, guidelines for abstract submission, please visit www.icp2020.com or follow us on social media:

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When I began my role in July 2018 as the Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Psychological Society, it was the first time the organisation had appointed a CEO. I stepped into the role following the departure of Lyn Littlefield, who had expertly guided the APS as Executive Director for a remarkable 17 years. The timing also coincided with end of Anthony Cichello’s excellent two-year term as President, and the beginning of Ros Knight’s term. It was an exciting time, with many possibilities ahead. It was also an opportunity for the APS to review, refresh and re-invigorate itself.

I am pleased to share that over the last year, the APS has introduced a number of changes that have both strengthened operations at the National Office in Melbourne, Australia and delivered improved services for our 24 000 members across the country. The APS has made the deliberate step to be far more proactive and visible. We have been speaking to the media, making a public stand on a range of issues affecting both the profession and the Australian community. We have been listening to our members and finding new ways to better meet their needs. We have conducted a range of face-to-face and online consultations, introduced new CPD opportunities and improved our value proposition for students. We have also been working hard behind the scenes, strengthening relationships with government and with organisations involved with improving the mental health of Australians.

As CEO, I believe that the relationships that the APS builds at home are just as important as those that we build abroad. I make a point of travelling to international meetings as often as I can. I am always encouraged to observe that despite differences in language and culture, more often than not, I find commonalities in the challenges faced by others in our profession. I very much look forward to meeting more of my international colleagues over the coming year and uniting with you in our shared purpose of progressing psychology.

By: Frances Mirabelli, Chief Executive Officer

The Hong Kong Psychological Society was established in 1968 and became a member of the IUPsyS in 1971. We recently celebrated our 50th Anniversary as a psychological society and held a Golden Jubilee Gala Dinner on 29 November 2018. Our special guest, Dr T.Y. Chui, the Deputy Secretary of Food and Health, came to address the event. On this special occasion, we were joined by thirteen of our Past Presidents, several long serving members, legislators, senior government officials, heads of psychology programmes of Hong Kong universities, and guests of our four psychology divisions: Clinical, Counselling, Educational, and Industrial-Organizational.

At the society’s annual general meeting held on 20 June 2019, our new President, Dr Austin Tay and President-Elect, Ms Kathleen Yu, were both elected. Our Golden Jubilee celebration will end with a full-day conference which will be held on 30 November 2019 at the Tsz Shan Monastery (www.tszshan.org) with the theme of the conference, “Loving Psychology, Loving Life”. This conference is co-organized with the Tsz Shan Institute. For more information about the society please click here.

By: Ephraem Tsui, PhD FHKPS, The Hong Kong Psychological Society

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WORLD SCIENCE DAY FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT

Annually on 10 November, World Science Day for Peace and Development, emphasizes the important role of science and the need to engage the wider public in debates on emerging scientific issues. This aims to ensure that citizens are kept informed of scientific developments and highlights the role that scientists play in deepening our understanding of the planet and towards making our societies more sustainable. In 2019, the Day was devoted to the theme of Open Science. Further details of the day may be accessed here.

WHO MENTAL HEALTH FORUM 2019

“Mental, neurological, and substance use disorders are common in all regions of the world, affecting every community and age group across all income countries. While 14% of the global burden of disease is attributed to these disorders, most of the people affected - 75% in many low-income countries - do not have access to the treatment they need” (https://www.who.int/mental_health/mhgap/en/).

The WHO Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) aims at scaling up services for mental, neurological and substance use disorders for countries especially with low- and middle-income. The programme asserts that with proper care, psychosocial assistance and medication, tens of millions could be treated for depression, schizophrenia, and epilepsy, prevented from suicide and begin to lead normal lives – even where resources are scarce.

The most recent WHO Mental Health Forum took place from 14-15 October 2019 at the WHO in Geneva, Switzerland. The WHO Mental Health Forum 2019 provided an opportunity for diverse stakeholders to discuss progress on WHO's Mental Health Action Plan in countries. The theme this year was “Enhancing Country Action on Mental Health,” reflecting the vision of WHO’s Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019-2023.

Click here to read more about the WHO Mental Health Forum 2019
Click here to access the mhGAP Forum 2018 report
Click here to access the latest mhGAP newsletter

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE WHO BULLETIN

The WHO Bulletin is one of the world’s leading public health journals. It is a peer-reviewed monthly journal with a special focus on developing countries, giving it unrivalled global scope and authority. The Bulletin is one of the top public and environmental health journals and full detail may be accessed here.
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ISC 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

The year 2018 marked a milestone in the world of international science with the creation the International Science Council. Of special note in the Annual Report for 2018 are two essays, one exploring "A global voice for science in the contemporary world", adapted from Craig Calhoun's speech at the opening celebrations of the ISC in July 2018, and one from Ismail Serageldin, "Confronting the Problems of Our Time", who was also in attendance at the launch and is now an ISC Patron. The full ISC 2018 Annual Report may be accessed here.

ISC NEWSLETTER

The International Science Council (ISC) is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils. It is the only international non-governmental organization bringing together the natural and social sciences and the largest global science organization of its type (https://council.science). The latest newsletters of the International Science Council brings you the latest on their activities and may be viewed at: https://us5.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=2e9b648776114e288e7ea8c5&id=6e20810dfd

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