

**IUPsyS 2002 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Singapore**

**July 11, July 13-14, 2002**

**Session I (July 11) was held prior to the General Assembly meeting and consisted primarily of preparation for that meeting. Session II-III (July 13,14) was held after the General Assembly meeting.**

**Session I**

Present: Denis, Adair, Ardila, Bullock, Cooper, d'Ydewalle, Imada, Kagitçibasi, Lunt, Nair, Overmier, Poortinga, Ritchie, Sabourin, Sanchez-Sosa, Silbereisen; Zhang

Visitors – Chinese organizers (Prof. Jing, Buxin Han) for item 6.

**1. Adoption of the Agenda**

The EC accepted the agenda.

**2. Review of Assembly meeting**

The EC reviewed the Assembly agenda and suggested adding an "other business" item as the last item.

**3. Review of requirements for Assembly quorum and voting**

The Secretary-General reviewed voting provisions as set out in the Statutes and Rules of Procedure. He noted that quorum will be established overall with 37 voting Assembly members (Statutes, Article 14). For most action items the required number to pass a vote is a simple majority of those present, assuming the quorum for a meeting is attained (Statutes, Article 14). For changes to Rules of Procedure only a simple majority of those present is required. For Statute changes, the required quorum for taking a vote is currently 50 members (Statutes, Article 13e). Proposed changes related to Assembly Agenda items 8.1.1.1, 8.1.1.2 and 8.1.1.3 require a simple majority of those present; proposed changes related to item 8.1.1.4 requires the higher threshold.

**4. Report of the Treasurer**

Sabourin presented the Treasurer's report, 2001 audited statements, and 2002 budget. He noted that an item for discussion in Session II is the cost of EC meetings.

**5. Membership Issues**

**5.1 Category 0**

**The EC approved the change for Morocco from category 1 to 0.**

There was discussion of the ways in which Category 0 is described and portrayed. It was noted that there should be a clear message that this is not a desirable category.

**5.2 National Member for India**

Adair referred to his report concerning the establishment of a federation in India. The present member (Indian Psychological Association) is no longer operational. Other organizations will be approached to come together under the National Academy of Sciences umbrella to form a federation.

The EC agreed to wait for a proposal on the Indian initiative to be submitted to the next EC meeting. If such a proposal is not forthcoming, the EC will take active steps to make contact with groups involved with the Mumbai Regional Conference.

**5.3 Other Membership issues**

d'Ydewalle reported that Brazil is taking steps to be organized as a national member.

## **6. International Congresses of Psychology**

Professor Jing and colleagues from the Beijing Executive Committee and EC member Zhang presented a substantial report on planning activities.

Programs. Progress on the XXVIII ICP since the last EC meeting was reported, as well as the broad outlines of the program, including invited speaker and symposium acceptances, young psychologist programs, workshops (preschool education, traditional medicine, exercise/meditation, culture), ARTS, fundraising, satellite meetings, and the fee structure.

Announcements: There was discussion of the timing of submission procedures to allow for visa applications and registration payments. Participants will be encouraged to make early submissions.

## **7. Regional Conferences**

### **7.1 2003**

Sabourin discussed contacts and developments in organizing psychology in the Arab world. Interest has been expressed in Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and other countries. A proposal was sent to the EC to hold a regional conference in Dubai if logistical and other issues can be settled. There was preliminary discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of regional support to an area of the world with little academic work in psychology and few National Members. The discussion was deferred to Session II.

### **7.2 2005 Regional Congresses**

deferred to Session II

## **8. Relationships with Other Psychological Organizations - Joint Committee on IUPsyS/IAAP Cooperation**

Denis gave a short report on the IUPsyS/IAAP Joint Committee meeting and noted recent agreements with EFPA and IACCP about procedures for organizing regional congresses.

## **Items 9-11**

The EC discussed these items as a whole. Emphasis was on information required to present the proposed revision and consultation items to the General Assembly, and review of power point materials for clarity.

### **9. Proposed Revisions to Statutes and Rules of Procedure**

### **10. Standing Committee on the Development of Psychology as a Science & as a Profession**

### **11. Ad Hoc Work Group on Revision of Statutes & Assembly Consultation**

## **12. Interim adjournment**

**Adopted**

### Session II-III

Present: Denis, Adair, Ardila, Bullock, Cooper, d'Ydewalle, Imada, Kagitçibasi, Lunt, Nair, Overmier, Poortinga, Ritchie, Sabourin, Sanchez-Sosa, Silbereisen; Zhang;

Rohays Perry, Psychology Press for item 8.

#### **0. The President opened the sessions with a welcome to all present.**

He then noted honors accorded to EC members during the last year. d'Ydewalle was appointed Head of his department; Adair received an award from the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) and the Inter-American Psychologist Award (SIP); Sabourin is organizing the CODATA Congress to be held in the Fall, 2002; Cooper was appointed in South Africa as Human Rights Commissioner; to the National Press Appeal Panel; as Vice President of the Health Professional Council; and he will represent IUPsyS at the WSSD conference in South Africa in August; Kagitçibasi was awarded the Women of Enlightenment Award given by NGO's working with women; Zhang received the Lifelong Award for Contributions to Psychology from the Chinese Psychological Society; Overmier received the Ernest Hilgard Award for Service to Psychology, and was elected President of General Psychology, Division 1 of APA; Silbereisen will begin his term as President of the International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development (ISSBD); Sanchez-Sosa was elected President of the Clinical Division in the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP).

He also expressed gratitude to those institutions who offered support for EC member travel: Sabourin (Canada Social Science and Humanities Research Council); Silbereisen (German Research Council); Ritchie (University of Ottawa); Imada (Japan Science Council); Cooper (South Africa National Research Council); Overmier (APA); Bullock (APA).

#### **1. Adoption of the Agenda**

Two items were added to the agenda: Items 19.5 (Ethics) and 8.7 (Update History book). After a discussion of priority items, the EC approved the agenda.

#### **2. Minutes**

It was agreed that a list of actions would be disseminated immediately after the EC meeting. Discussion focused on the relative merits of producing comprehensive meeting notes versus publicly available minutes. It was noted that notes are important for archival information and later reference.

It was agreed that documents from the meetings will include a list of actions, disseminated within one month of the meeting, and minutes, disseminated as rapidly as possible after the meeting.

#### **3. Report of the President**

##### **3.1 Orientation to Session II**

The President reviewed directions received from the General Assembly meeting, including a motion concerning the quorum required for voting, development of a psychology prize, and other matters.

##### **3.2 Assembly Consultation re: Psychology Prize**

The President asked for discussion of the principles of an international prize in psychology that would serve to make psychology more visible. There was discussion of a number of issues, including avoiding replicating other prizes or initiatives and whether the recipient would be an individual or organization.

A Task Force was established to develop a report for the next EC on the psychology

prize. The Task Force will to collect information on the kinds of awards already available at other levels, and on other initiatives. **Task force members: Denis; Ardila; Overmier; Lunt.**

**3.3 Review of Assembly consultation**

The EC discussed the content and procedures of the General Assembly meeting and raised a number of issues:

- Agenda structure. There was a general sentiment that future Agendas need to be organized according to separate information and action items. There was also a general sentiment that the agenda needs to be structured to allow expression of the Assembly's opinion on issues.
- Preparation. There is a need to devise strategies to facilitate Assembly member preparation for the agenda items.
- Assembly Participation. There is a need to facilitate the consultation process by allowing more time for open and free discussion, by generating an educational, didactic, and respectful context, and by developing strategies for Assembly delegate participation and feedback, given the constraints that most Assembly attendees are new and few read the materials.

The EC agreed on some general strategies:

- Consistent reference to the Annual Report rather than supporting documents in Assembly meetings
- Information dissemination prior to the meeting through the Newsletter
- Emphasizing a clear opportunity for National Members to put information on the agenda
- Separating the Agenda into "A" (action) and "B" (information) lists
- More thorough preparation by Assembly delegates
- Information about expectations for the meeting

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**4. Report of the Secretary-General**

Ritchie referred to the Assembly report and asked for feedback. There was discussion of the Secretariat workload, and the shift to a broader scope of work as the focus on international bodies has increased.

**5. Report of the Treasurer**

Sabourin distributed the 2002 budget and statement of operations and discussed each item.

**5.1 2002 Budget - 2002 Financial Statements (year-to-date)**

There was a discussion of the planned 10% deficit for 2002 and note that core Union reserves are in excess of the annual operating budget and the Union fund.

**2002 Budget**

**Research projects and activities**

Projects	
National Capacity Building	4000
Healthnet	500
Developing world network	500
Website	1000
ARTS	7500
Total Activities	13,500

## **5.2 Dues revision**

A proposal for dues revision will be submitted to the next General Assembly meeting. There will be a proposed dues increase following ICP 2004.

**The EC requested the Treasurer to prepare a proposal for dues revision for the 2003 EC meeting.**

## **5.3 New sources of funding**

A Committee to explore new funding sources was established. The Committee will look for new funds and will develop projects from within the EC to be used to solicit new funding. Suggestions were to approach the European Union, and to use ARTS as an example. **Committee members: Sabourin; Overmier; Silbereisen.**

## **5.4 Appointment of 2002 Auditors**

There was discussion of good practices in auditor choice and agreement to generate proposals for new auditors for the subsequent quadrennium.

**The EC appointed Mizgala and Cie as auditors for the 2003 financial statement.**

## **6. Membership Issues**

In response to a request,

**The EC agreed to move Argentina from Category C to Category A**

There was discussion of how to support Members in meeting their dues obligations. There were suggestions to collect information (on sources of member dues payments) and to disseminate this information (e.g., that in some countries dues are supported by bodies such as national academies of science) and supporting statements about the value of union membership. There was a suggestion to develop mechanisms for support (e.g., a matching-fund for dues payments). It was noted that a country that is a member of ICSU is obligated to pay the dues of its national members.

**The EC charged the President to write to National Members to suggest sources of dues support from national bodies and to invite comment on how the Union can facilitate dues support.**

### **6.1 Prospective applications**

Ethiopia has expressed interest, and Namibia will be approached. Nigeria, Indonesia, the Philippines and Chile may enter into discussion to return to voting status.

### **6.2 Recruitment**

Recruitment efforts were discussed: Brazil (especially by the President and Secretary-General on the occasion of the ISCU conference); the Dominican Republic (Ardila reported their interest in being active again and provided contact information); Cuba (Sanchez-Sosa reported conversations with Cuban psychologists).

### **6.3 Communication with National Members**

The Website continues to expand and will host an electronic newsletter (see Item XXX – publications & communications).

## **7. Standing Committee on Research and Special Projects**

### **7.1 2001 Annual Reports to ICSU & ISSC**

The S-G confirmed submission of all required reports and financial statements.

### **7.2 Projects**

#### **7.2.1 ICSU – 2002 Block Grant for Capacity Building**

2002 was the first year of the block grant, and it is not clear whether it will continue.

Participants from Nigeria, Zimbabwe, India, Bangladesh, Indonesia, China (2), Czech Republic, Ethiopia, and Yemen were supported by the capacity building grant. It was noted that there should be increased coordination across Union programs and Congress activities.

The recipients of the ICSU Capacity building grant funds were senior members of the national association in each country. There was discussion of whether support for ARTS and other capacity building projects should be limited to countries that are National Members.

Silbereisen reported that the German Psychological Society would be willing to provide the equivalent of up to two travel stipends in the support of a capacity building program that could go to individuals indicated by the Union. These funds must be used within the next 18 months.

#### **7.2.2 ICSU – 2003**

Information was provided about the submissions for the 2003 cycle:

*Category II primary submission* – Biological and Behavioral Sciences Research Across Borders: Issues in International Collaborative Research involving Human Participants

*Co-sponsored submissions* - IGU- Fertility, Reproductive Health, Family structures and the Environment; IAU - The Impact of Asteroids; IUBS - Human Dimensions of Biodiversity

*Block grant for capacity building* - It is not clear whether this grant will be maintained, but there are active lobbying attempts to do so.

#### **7.2.3 ICSU – 2004**

The deadline for submissions is expected to be in the spring, 2003. The Secretary-General requested that ideas for submissions be sent to the Standing Committee on Research & Special Projects by the end of September.

The Secretary-General suggested possible topics of ethics; archiving; migration. The Assembly had suggested ethics and women's health.

The EC agreed to a September 15 deadline for intent/ideas for 2004 projects, and December 15 for project proposals.

#### **7.2.4 ISSC 2002-03**

Submissions included ARTS; Psycho-social factors impeding the apprehension of HIV/AIDS education in Southern Africa; Health Policy Development and Transferability of Knowledge; Capacity Building for Psychological Scientists in Asian Countries.

#### **7.3 PAGEC**

Kagitçibasi referred to the PAGEC report for information and requested EC discussion on the future direction for PAGEC. The EC was asked to decide whether PAGEC will be retained as a network; and if so, who will take responsibility and will write a proposal for ICSU2004 and ISSC2004-2005.

**The EC charged Kagitçibasi as liaison to send a report and request for proposals to the PAGEC network so that they might prepare a proposal for continuation.**

Two areas of interest mentioned in the PAGEC report (water use management, and security) are high priorities of ICSU and ISSC.

#### **8. Standing Committee on Communications and Publications**

d'Ydewalle referred the EC to his report on Communications and Publications activities. The EC was joined by Rohays Perry from Psychology Press during the discussion.

### **8.1 Proceedings of XXVIII Congress**

The EC decided to retain current procedures whereby the Union takes final responsibility for the Proceedings. The Union will provide some funds to the Congress organizers to initiate the publications.

There was discussion the need to encourage timely author submissions and completion by editors and strategies for doing so.

There was discussion of editing responsibilities and endorsement for increased recognition of the local organizers. It was suggested that Professor Jing be general editor of the proposed two volumes, in collaboration with d'Ydewalle (one volume) and Rosenzweig (other volume), and with other Chinese editors included for each volume.

It was agreed that editorship should reflect work on the production of the volume. These suggestions will be transmitted to the Chinese organizers by liaison d'Ydewalle for discussion.

### **8.2 International Journal of Psychology & 8.2.1 Editor's Report**

d'Ydewalle referred the EC to the report from IJP editor Hernandez. The number of manuscripts submitted decreased, likely due to the introduction of a new editor and the change to a monolingual journal.

**8.3 The change to a monolingual journal** raised a number of issues including:

- the title of the journal which is presently in English and French and which no longer reflects the monolingual journal contents
- translations of abstracts, a cost that was not initially anticipated.

There was discussion of adding a French-speaking associate editor who would translate abstracts into French and who could receive French abstracts and make a decision about whether to translate them into English or not.

**The EC decided to recruit 3-4 consulting editors to assist with the translation of French abstracts. The current Editor will continue to translate Spanish abstracts.**

There was a motion to delete the French title from the journal to retain consistency with the journal. Perry noted that a change in title should not affect ordering, subscribing or cataloguing activities.

**The EC moved to change the title of the International Journal of Psychology to a monolingual title effective January 2003**

Perry referred to her report, which indicates a small decline in library subscriptions, and will address this issue in marketing.

The EC discussed ideas for special issues, which included: research regulation issues; capacity development; data archiving.

Perry reminded EC that there will functionally be one fewer issue in 2004 because abstracts will be published as a double issue.

Hernandez noted that there are few consulting editors for the journal and there have been problems in finding enough manuscript reviewers. A list of guest reviewers will be published one time per year; guest reviewers will be nominated as possible consulting editors.

### 8.3 Resource File

New Editor. There was discussion of the new editor selection, and mechanisms for editor recruitment. Overmier said he would circulate a list of criteria. It is anticipated that the editor will be appointed during 2003, overlap with the current editors in 2004, and take over in 2005.

**Overmier and d'Ydewalle were requested to write a call for nominations to be posted in the IUPsyS web pages, in the electronic newsletter, and in the IPJ.**

There was discussion of information for the next CD-ROM , including a database of the contributors to the last 5 IAAP congresses.

Perry offered information about distribution and pricing. The CD has been supported by the journal, but now that it has been in operation, it can be offered at a much lower price. It will be offered as a stand-alone for approximately 25 £. There has been substantial promotion of the CD in Western Europe – it has been sold and advertised at national and international congresses. It is also advertised on the Psychology Press web site. There was discussion of costs for the CD-Rom with discounts for individuals.

### 8.4 Website

The website continues to expand. It received several hundred hits each week, broadly distributed around the world.

### 8.5 Electronic Newsletter

**The EC approved establishment of an electronic newsletter, to inform members of activities, opportunities and news, will be launched at the end of the year. Editors are Lunt and Bullock.**

There was broad discussion of efficient use of electronic communication possibilities such as – newsletter, listserv, web-based communication.

### 8.6 International Handbook

### 8.7 History of the International Union of Psychological Science

There was discussion of recruiting editors for an update to the History of the Union book.

**Sabourin was requested to coordinate update activities in collaboration with Wayne Holtzman and David Belanger. Perry will work out a procedure for sending copies of the book to national members.**

### 8.8 International Conceptual History of Psychology

d'Ydewalle presented a report on progress in this project. Draft chapters are being written. It was agreed to coordinate the list of concepts to be covered and contract issues with Psychology Press.

### 8.9 Future activities

There was discussion of a number of activities including:

- Developing a support network for psychology in low income countries, such as through a journal editing program –analogous to a program at Nature magazine; it could be made web-based and focused on empirical papers. Poortinga agreed to develop an implementation plan for the 2003 EC. He suggested contacting APA for experiences and programs and agreed to draft a proposal for email exchange.

## 9. Standing Committee on the Development of Psychology as a Science & as a Profession

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### 9.1 Framework paper

There was discussion on dissemination of the paper, and the need to elicit comments on it from National Members. It was agreed to publish it with an introduction explaining that it was a product of the standing committee, as a vehicle for discussion with and within National Member countries.

**The EC agreed that the Framework paper will be published in the Platform section of IJP, placed on the web, and referred to in the electronic newsletter. Comments will be invited. A report and comments will be presented to the EC in 2003.**

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### 9.2 Sub-committee on Women's Issues

The EC agreed to continue to support the activities of the sub-committee at the next ICP.

## 10. Elections Committee

### 10.1 Review of Assembly actions & deliberations

The EC reviewed the motion to send a mail ballot to National Members about changing the statutes to allow voting at Assembly meetings for Statute amendments by changing the current threshold requirement of 2/3's of those entitled to vote. There was discussion about whether the primary directive was to send the motion or to invite further discussion. It was agreed that the working group established to look carefully at statutes should consider this item along with the rest of the statutes and bring proposals to the 2003 EC. The mail ballot will then be held prior to the 2004 Assembly.

## 11. Ad Hoc Committee on the Revision of Statutes

Lunt reviewed the outcomes suggested in the Ad Hoc Work Group memorandum, and noted several goals had or would be implemented, including: increased communication with National Members through the newsletter; improved administrative procedures; advance agenda and background information for meetings; separation of the meeting agenda into action and information items; more transparent election procedures.

The work of the group will take into account remarks to be provided in general consultation with the EC. This will begin in early October.

There was then broad discussion stemming from the EC structure memo. This included:

- the definition of "officer"
- the desirability of moving toward a formal structure with a CEO and formal management
- clarification of the purpose and role of the Vice President positions
- whether there should be a President elect position
- strategies for sharing the workload among EC members
- the role and function of the Secretary-General
- a need to define EC position responsibilities
- term limits
- EC member portfolios
- activity and time commitment expectation of EC members
- voting privileges among EC members
- the importance of balancing geographical and other representational aspects within a relatively small pool of psychologists who are willing to make a time and activity commitment
- the creation of other, auxiliary groups (such as a body of former EC members as a source of advice and work)
- the breadth/limits of the present Union name.

There was also discussion of strategies for representing the diversity among the National Members – through EC members; through Union activities.

It was agreed that the EC would prepare proposals for discussion in [at the 2003 EC](#) for presentation at the [2004](#) General Assembly meeting.

**The EC approved formation of a 6-person working group to address any statute revisions. The group includes [Denis \(Chair\)](#); [Lunt](#); [Sanchez-Sosa](#); [Zhang](#); [Silbereisen](#); [Ritchie](#).**

#### **11.1 Discussion of Union Activities**

The EC generated a number of possible Union activities and future directions. These included:

- Two-way psychologist exchanges between experts in the majority world and other countries; Goal: to help attract the attention of local authorities to the development of psychology in specific places
- Consultation with national members on funding at international meetings
- Generating invited symposia from parts of the world where there is a need to develop psychology
- Collaborating with national members on policy consultations – e.g., at annual meetings
- Expanding ARTS to other venues
- Providing scientific literature as capacity building program: journals, twinning between institutions or national members or other units.
- Expanding networks – Healthnet, Regional Congress nets, project nets

**The EC established an Ad Hoc Work Group on [Union activities](#). The group includes [Adair \(Chair\)](#); [Poortinga](#); [Lunt](#); [Sabourin](#).**

### **12. ARTS**

#### **12.1 Report on 2002 ARTS**

[Adair](#) noted several points in his report. The organization of ARTS 2002 was especially difficult because of September 11, the lack of local funding to support ARTS activities, and decreased numbers of applications. ARTS was not advertised as widely as possible in relevant newsletters. However applicants were from a large number of countries, including those that have not previously had ARTS applicants.

#### **12.2 Appointment of Coordinator**

[Lunt](#) agreed to serve as the next ARTS coordinator and will work with [Adair](#) in Beijing in 2004 and then alone in Greece in 2006. Future ARTS include Health Psychology; Methodology; Early Childhood Interventions.

It was agreed to distribute ARTS topics to the EC and National Members and to solicit new participants.

It was also agreed that the Singapore ARTS organizer receive a letter of thanks from the [President](#).

**The EC expressed its appreciation [to Adair](#) for the work done on ARTS.**

### **13. International Network of Psychology & the Developing World**

[Cooper](#) reported on activities in the southern Africa region, including cooperation between the South African Psychological Association and the Zimbabwe and Namibian Psychology Associations. ZPA and PSYSSA have agreed to form a mutual partnership to help with curriculum development and scholarly exchange. They will be signing a memorandum of agreement. There are also activities in Nigeria, and [Cooper](#) will follow

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up on these.

Cooper also reported meeting with 13 National Members at the ICAP meeting. One of the key issues was how to foster collaborations beyond Congresses, including through multiple channels of communication. He described a "twinning proposal" in which the Union could serve to match resource persons and resource exchanges for needs identified by National Members.

International Meetings. There was discussion of how to foster the network through international meetings. Ideas discussed included developing symposia with speakers from underrepresented areas.

National Capacity-Building Activities

It was agreed that the National Capacity-building symposium and roundtable at ICAP 2002 were successful, and there was a discussion of future contents. Suggestions included workshops/symposia on:

- how to prepare manuscripts for submission to journals
- curriculum development
- development of professional standards
- advocacy

During the round table, members of the Australian Psychological Society suggested developing a survey on national associations to be sent to the IUPsyS National Members.

Members of the EC agreed to coordinate regions for these activities. Cooper will coordinate the African region; Nair will coordinate the Asian region. She reported on the Asia-Oceania meeting held at the ICAP meeting, which developed an invitational meeting to regional psychology associations to develop a regional grouping for collaborative networks, shared expertise, and shared support.

A coordinator is needed for the Latin America region.

The group discussed ideas for activities for Beijing, which should be crafted together into a proposal for ISSC and for ICSU as capacity building activities.

- Workshops in parallel with ARTS
- association building workshops (with ISSC support)
- science building workshops (ICSU support)
- Focus on educational activities; curriculum standards, free circulation of professionals, recognition of diplomas.

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**The President appointed a working group on capacity building with Poortinga (chair); Bullock; Hernandez; Kagitcibasi; Lunt; Nair.**

**14. International Network of Psychology and Global Change**  
see [item 7.3 \(PAGEC\)](#)

**15. Healthnet**

Sanchez-Sosa reported that WHO had begun making requests to the Union for advice on topics, including therapeutic adherence, and welcomed this example of an opportunity to affect world- wide policy making through WHO activities.

Ongoing projects in Healthnet include:

- Self-efficacy in Older adults
- HIV & nurse training
- high blood pressure

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Healthnet is having an impact through WHO activities. There was discussion of how to disseminate Healthnet's products, especially working papers developed for WHO.

Sanchez-Sosa agreed to send titles of the reports and reference material so that they can be published on the IUPsyS web as soon as appropriate.

Healthnet activities are reported in the Healthnet report circulated by Sanchez-Sosa.

#### **16. Committee for the Psychological Study of Peace**

Ardila gave a report on a conference in 2001 organized by the Committee for the Psychological Study of Peace. The next symposium will be in Sweden in August, 2003, with the topic "Reconciliation". The committee has several publications, including a books on peace psychology, psychology of terrorism. The psychology of terrorism book, edited by Stoldt, will be presented at the 2002 APA meetings in President Phil Zimbardo's Presidential symposium.

Ardila was requested as liaison to encourage an annual report on the activities of the committee. Nair will also be involved with the Committee for Peace.

#### **17. International Congresses of Psychology**

##### **17.1 XXVIII Congress Progress Report**

See item 6.1

##### **17.2 XXIX Congress Progress Report**

An organization is being formed that will manage the Congress because it is not legally possible for the German Psychological Association Federation to do this. This body will be a 'Verein'. The present plan is that each German society will designate representatives, Ralf Schwarzer is proposed as president, and Congress committees will be formed by people outside the body. This new body will have a contract with a professional conference organizer and then will sign a contract with IUPsyS.

The procedures established in the IUPsyS statutes for naming the Congress President will be initiated by the President.

#### **18. Regional Conferences**

##### **18.1 Report on 2001 - Mumbai, India**

Adair, Cooper, Nair attended the Conference. It comprised a large group from Bombay and throughout India. There was little participation from outside of India.

There was a call to develop protocols for the organizers to give due recognition to the three sponsoring organizations. This was not the case in Mumbai although expectations were that it would be.

Denis referred to Ray Fowler's lively report on Mumbai; Michael Knowles (IAAP) will publish a report in IJP on the conference.

##### **18.2 Future Regional Conferences**

###### **18.2.1 2003 Progress Report**

Sabourin reviewed the concept behind regional congresses and outlined plans and issues with a proposal to hold the next Congress in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The EC held a broad discussion about the ICSU principles of free circulation of scientists and agreed that sponsorship of the Union must depend on ability to meet ICSU requirements.

The EC asked the Secretary-General to ascertain whether the organizers would be able to follow the ICSU rules and would be able to obtain an entry exception for any

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scientist who wants to attend the meeting.

There was also encouragement to the Dubai organizers to engage other Arab countries in the conference.

The EC also considered alternatives if the ICSU principles cannot be supported and decided to explore possibilities of activities in 2003 that would be on a smaller scale as an experiment in capacity building activities, such as seminars in the Arab region or workshops in conjunction with the 2003 EC meeting in Istanbul.

**The EC carried a motion stating that if it is not possible to proceed with the Dubai conference no other regional congress will be planned for 2003.**

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#### **18.2.2 2005**

There was discussion of potential locations.

### **19. Relationships with Other Psychological Organizations**

#### **19.1 Joint Committee on IUPsyS/IAAP Cooperation**

The President gave a report of the meeting, and noted several highlights:

- there was discussion of fostering regional activities, including joint sponsorship of regional workshops, meetings of the presidents of national associations in regions, and consultation with regional associations when planning IUPsyS and IAAP activities
- an agreement with EFPA has been made such that organizations will offer each other booths in respective congresses, and send representation to the General Assemblies of each organization. There was a suggestion to forge similar agreements with regional organizations such as SIP.
- IAAP and IUPsyS will collaborate in a description of National Member involvement in international research regulation activities.
- Both organizations agreed that there is good cooperation in World Forum activities, and both applauded the opportunities to be linked at the international level.

#### **19.2 EFPA**

##### **19.2.2 Relationship with European science community**

Silbereisen reminded the EC that he is the chair of the science arm of EFPA and noted that there is now a memo of cooperation with EFPA.

#### **19.3 ITC**

Adair stepped down as liaison to the ITC. The EC appointed Poortinga as liaison.

#### **19.4 International Student Organization**

This organization is just coming into being, and it was agreed that the Union will pursue active and cordial relations, and invite them to become affiliates. It was noted that the group was urged to form a federation with other student organizations.

#### **19.5 Ethics Issues**

In response to an intervention from Gauthier (Canada) the EC was charged with forming a work-group to generate a universal declaration of ethical principles for psychologists. It was noted that ISSC addressed this issue a number of years ago and recommended forming a metacode or principles that would guide the development of a code (rather than a code itself). Gauthier has been proposed by IAAP to coordinate this activity.

**The EC appointed Assembly delegate Gauthier as Coordinator of this activity with a report to be submitted to the 2004 Assembly and possible action at the 2006 Assembly.**

## 20. Relationship with Other Organizations

### 20.1 ICSU

The EC was referred to materials on ICSU. It was noted that Denis has been nominated to the Executive Board for the 2003-2006 term. In addition the Union made several committee nominations, including for Scientific Planning and Review (Denis); Finance (Sabourin), Governance (Dalbert), Ethics (Ritchie), Freedom in the Conduct of Science (Cooper) and Dissemination of Scientific Information (Overmier).

#### 20.1.1 2002 General Assembly

Denis and Ritchie will attend.

#### 20.1.2 CODATA

The 2002 Congress will be held in Montreal; Bullock is organizing a symposium on data archiving; Sabourin has served one of the local organizers. Sabourin and Ritchie will attend the General Assembly of CODATA.

### 20.2 ISSC

#### 20.2.1 23<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly

IUPsyS will be represented by Denis and Ritchie.

#### 20.2.2 Participation in 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities

IUPsyS is organizing a symposium on research regulation issues; Kagitçibasi is giving a plenary talk.

#### 20.2.3 Nominations of Officers and members of the ISSC Executive Committee (2003-05)

The EC nominated Kagitçibasi for the ISSC Executive Committee.

### 20.3 United Nations System

#### 20.3.1 UNESCO

The EC was referred to the Annual Report.

#### 20.3.2 Economic and Social Council / Dept. of Public Information

The EC was referred to the Annual Report. Sabourin remains the Union's Main Representative to the UN secretariat and related activities.

#### 20.3.3 WHO

The EC was referred to the Annual Report.

It was noted that IUPsyS had been approved for Official Relations with WHO. The importance of this achievement was noted by the President. Ritchie remains the Union's Main Representative to the Geneva secretariat and related activities.

#### 20.3.4 UNICEF

The EC was referred to the Annual Report.

### 20.4 Global Forum for Health Research

The EC was referred to the Annual Report

### 20.5 Development of policy guidelines / procedures for statements on current issues

Initiated by attempts to boycott Israeli scientists and uncertainty over an official Union response, there was discussion of the need to develop a mechanism so that the Union can respond to activities or events when appropriate. Discussion focused on the importance of being non-political and non-partisan in general, yet being active in making a statement when there are violations of standards and principles in the scientific

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domain especially when this affects the psychological community.

What is required are:

- a clear set of standards, procedures and criteria for determining whether an action falls within the range of actions to which we respond
- procedures for carrying out actions (e.g., approval mechanisms, action guidelines)

It was agreed that the Union has a responsibility to take action in response to actions taken by psychological entities (e.g., journals, organizations), and that a good course of action is to state our principles.

The EC appointed a working group to develop and propose guidelines for statements that the Union can make. The working group consists of [Silbereisen \(Chair\)](#); **Overmier; d'Ydewalle; Cooper.**

#### **20.6 Meeting Times**

[Denis](#) asked the EC to consider lengthening the time allotted for the General Assembly (4 hours) and the Executive Committee (2 1/2 days) meetings [during the year of an Assembly between international congresses of psychology. This will be considered in the context of the broader review of the Union.](#)

#### **21. Date of 2003 Executive Committee**

The proposed dates are July 17-20 2003 (arrival evening 16<sup>th</sup>, meetings 17,18, 19, 20 and departure on the 21<sup>st</sup>; or on the [evening of the 20<sup>th</sup>](#) for those who are in closer regions.

#### **22. Other Business**

[None](#)

#### **23. Adjournment**

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