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FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT: 4th INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERVENTION AFTER DISASTERS, NOVEMBER 9–12, 2015 TAIPEI, TAIWAN

In the last decade, more than 40% of the natural disasters around the world occurred in the Asia-Pacific region, causing untold damage, loss of life, and hardship. The majority of countries in this region often lack an advanced infrastructure or responsive rescue systems. This will be the fourth in the series of workshops for the Asia-Pacific region first organised in 2012 and held annually since then. It employs international scientific and applied expertise to help researchers, educators and practitioners in the Asia-Pacific region have a better understanding of and ability to respond to the mental health consequences of disasters in the region. This workshop focuses on the psychological dimensions of response to and assistance after disasters. The deadline for submission of applications is 15 August 2015.

To access the Final Announcement and the Application Form, see:


INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY 2016

A reminder that Congress registration and regular abstract submission opened on 01 July 2015. The June edition of the ICP 2016 Newsletter may be accessed at:


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

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The Belgian Association for Psychological Science (BAPS) was founded in 1946 following the initiative of the Belgian experimental psychologist, Albert Michotte. The aim of the Association was and still is to unite all those interested in the development of psychological science and its applications in Belgium. The Association seeks to encourage the exchange of ideas, to inform the community about developments in psychological science, and to offer its members opportunities for further specialized training. This is mainly achieved through its official journal, Psychologica Belgica, and through the organization of a yearly scientific meeting.

Psychologica Belgica publishes peer-reviewed, fully open access, scientific contributions from all domains of psychology. The Editorial Board members come from a wide range of psychology domains, working in Belgium and in other countries. Each year, the BAPS coordinates the organisation of its annual scientific meeting with the aim to integrate different approaches in psychology, to give the opportunity to researchers to disseminate the results of their research via symposia, open talks and posters, and to foster debates and discussions amongst researchers. The meeting includes communications by senior researchers via invited symposia and a keynote talk, but special attention is also given to more junior researchers via, for example, a Best Masters Thesis Award and three Best Poster Awards. The meeting usually includes around 150 communications attracting both national and international participants.

BAPS has around 250 members, most of whom hold academic positions in universities. BAPS is also part of the Belgian Federation of Psychologists, which safeguards the professional interests and statutes of the psychologist in Belgium. For more information, see: www.baps.be

Johan Wagemans from the University of Leuven (KU Leuven), current President of BAPS.
The Singapore Psychological Society (SPS) was founded in 1979 and has as its aim the advancement of psychology as a science and as a profession in Singapore. The specific functions of SPS are as follows:

1. To promote and disseminate knowledge in psychology and its applications for the benefit of the individual and society.
2. To promote psychological research and organise meetings on matters in particular fields of psychology.
3. To advocate, set up and maintain high standards of professional standing and conduct for its members in respect of the teaching, researching or practicing of psychology.
4. To disseminate information about opportunities for professional work, and to make recommendations from time to time to members and to employers about desirable qualifications and remuneration.
5. To safeguard the professional interests of members and to support all legitimate efforts to extend the knowledge and professional expertise of members, whether by research, encouragement of the publication of reports, documents or books on psychology, by facilitating access to relevant material, or by any other legal means.
6. To liaise with organisations of psychologists elsewhere and with societies representing other professions, and to foster good relations with the public.
7. To lay down the requirements for membership of the Society and to maintain a register of members with details of their addresses, qualifications, appointments and experience.
8. To do all that may be necessary and proper to protect the individual or general public against unsound practices.

At the SPS Annual General meeting on 28 March 2015, a new council was elected to serve a two-year term. For more information, see:
http://www.singaporepsychologicalsociety.org/
News from International Bodies

APA-IUPSYS GLOBAL MENTAL HEALTH FELLOWSHIP

A reminder that the APA-IUPsys Global Mental Health Fellowship provides an opportunity for a psychologist to spend one year in Geneva, Switzerland, at the World Health Organization, in the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse. The deadline for applications is 30 September 2015. For more information, see:


INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE COUNCIL CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: STRENGTHENING PHD PROGRAMMES IN AFRICAN UNIVERSITIES FELLOWSHIP

The Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) is pleased to announce the call for applications from research laboratories and doctoral schools in African universities for the initial stage of its initiative to support research in the social sciences and humanities. The support initiative is geared towards alleviating the problems faced by many African universities with respect to research funding, quality and relevance of training in the context of globalization, liberalization and internationalization of higher education. All applications must be received by CODESRIA by no later than 21 August 2015. Applications will be submitted to an independent jury. All applications should be sent electronically to appui.doctoral@codesria.sn and for more information, see:


WHO: GLOBAL CLINICAL PRACTICE NETWORK

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/

CENTENARY CONFERENCE ON PSYCHOLOGY, 9-11 OCTOBER 2015,

The Department of Psychology and the Department of Applied Psychology of the University of Calcutta, in collaboration with NAOPI, IAAP, IACP and DIPR, are celebrating the Hundredth Year of Psychology in India by organising a Centenary Conference on Psychology from 9-11 October 2015 in Kolkata. The theme of the conference is Psychology and Challenges of the Developing World. For more information, see:

http://psychologycentenary.in/centenary-conference/

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