

**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE (IUPsyS)**

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INTRODUCTION

The International Union of Psychological Science is an organization composed of National Member organizations (national societies/associations/committees of scientific psychology, national academies of science, or similar organizations), comprising not more than one National Member per country. Eleven charter Members founded IUPsyS in 1951. At December 31, 2000 the number of National Members was 68. As a Union, IUPsyS holds membership both in the International Council for Science (ICSU) and in the International Social Science Council (ISSC), special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and consultative status with the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI). The current relationship between the World Health Organization and IUPsyS is guided by a Work Plan for Co-operation approved by both organizations.

MEMBERSHIP

Countries with National Membership in IUPsyS in 2000 were: Albania; Argentina; Australia; Austria; Bangladesh; Belgium; Bulgaria; Canada; Chile; China; Colombia; Croatia; Cuba; Czech Republic; Denmark; Dominican Republic; Egypt; Estonia; Finland; France; Georgia; Germany; Greece; Hong Kong; Hungary; India; Indonesia; Iran; Ireland; Israel; Italy; Japan; Korea; Lithuania; Malta; Mexico; Mongolia; Morocco; Netherlands; New Zealand; Nicaragua; Nigeria; Norway; Pakistan; Panama; Peru; Philippines; Poland; Portugal; Romania; Russia; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; South Africa; Spain; Sweden; Switzerland; Turkey; Uganda; Ukraine; United Kingdom; United States of America; Uruguay; Venezuela; Vietnam; Yemen; and Zimbabwe. Among these, two new National Members, Lithuania and Yemen, were approved in 2000. At the end of the year, several potential applications were at varying stages of preparation.

Twelve organizations are now affiliated with IUPsyS, with the European Association of Work and Organizational Psychology having been approved in 2000. The complete list of Affiliates is: Association de Psychologie Scientifique de Langue Française (APSLF); European Association of Experimental Social Psychologists (EAESP); European Association of Personality Assessment (EAPA); European Association of Personality Psychology (EAPP); European Association of Work and Organizational Psychology (EAWOP); Interamerican Society of Psychology/Sociedad Interamericana de Psicología (SIP); International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP); International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP); International Council of Psychologists (ICP); International Neuropsychological Society (INS); International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development (ISSBD); International Society of Comparative Psychology (ISCP). In addition, special liaison relationships have been established with the European Federation of Professional Psychologists Associations (EFPPA) and the International Test Commission (ITC).

VITAL STATISTICS

Number of National Members:	68
Number of Affiliated Organizations:	12
Number of Publications:	1 Journal (founded in 1966)
Number of Scientific Meetings	1 International Congress

3 Advanced Research Training Seminars

ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS*Assembly and Executive Committee Meetings*

This section summarizes some items of business not otherwise presented elsewhere in the annual report.

In July 2000, the Assembly of the Union met during two sessions in conjunction with the XXVII International Congress of Psychology held in Stockholm, Sweden. A total of 76 delegates were present, representing 40 countries; there were also 34 Observers.

In his final report to the Assembly, the President, G. d'Ydewalle, underscored the Union's international leadership role. He stressed the importance of identifying and supporting the needs of National Members, especially those that should be addressed at a global level. He also affirmed the related goals of ensuring that international initiatives have broad representation across countries and regions as well as the development of strategies to support regional and national developments. The President also highlighted good follow-through with various United Nations bodies including UNESCO, World Health Organization and the UN secretariat in New York.

The President also addressed issues related to International Congresses which are a flagship of Union activities. In particular, he presented the paradoxical challenge of addressing recent decline in attendance by scientists from some more affluent countries while striving to enhance attendance by colleagues from the developing world. He noted that both objectives may be served by improved dissemination of information about the congresses, and in ways to make attendance economically feasible and attractive.

The Publication program was applauded for recent products and the President called for a further expansion of this important Union function including activities at the frontier of new technologies. He also called for a redefinition of the nature and scope of the Union's research program. Because allocations are at the discretion of other bodies especially UNESCO, ICSU and ISSC, it is difficult to develop and sustain an independent portfolio. The President also highlighted another successful year of research and special projects. These included Large Grant funding from ICSU for the project 'Neuroimaging of Cognitive Functioning' undertaken collaboratively with the International Brain Research Organization and Regular Grant funding from ICSU for the project 'Spatial Cognition and Environmental Knowledge' undertaken collaboratively with the International Geographical Union.

While expressing appreciation to fellow Officers, President d'Ydewalle reminded the Assembly of the limited resources available at the Secretariat. Since foreseeable finances appear to preclude expanding this office, it is critically important that Executive Committee members and National Members are willing to be active in contributing to the work of the Union.

Among other business, the Assembly approved an amendment to the Statutes which clarifies the definition of 'Good Standing' of National Members.

The Assembly also approved endorsement of UNESCO's Culture of Peace Manifesto.

The Report of IAAP-IUPsyS Joint Committee which has been facilitating stronger cooperation between the two organizations was received with favorable comments.

A report on plans for the XXVIII International Congress of Psychology to be held in Beijing (China) in 2004 was favorably received. The Executive Committee will hold its 2001 meeting in Beijing to permit site visits and meetings with the Congress organizers.

The Assembly received bids for the XXIX International Congress of Psychology (2008) from 5 National Members: Chile (Santiago), Columbia (Bogota), Germany (Berlin), South Africa (Durban), Uruguay (Montevideo). The Assembly voted to accept the invitation of Germany; the 2008 Congress will be in Berlin.

The Outgoing and Incoming Executive Committees also met in July 2000 in Stockholm in conjunction with the XXVII International Congress of Psychology. The former made a number of recommendations for consideration by the latter as well as reviewing and completing preparations for the Assembly's deliberations. In addition to necessary administrative actions, the Incoming Executive Committee also mandated further deliberation on the functions and structure of the Union. To this end, an *Ad Hoc* Committee was established.

The Executive Committee continues to carefully monitor the current UNESCO Framework Agreement. In particular, it remains concerned about the implications for research and special project of possible changes in funding received from UNESCO via ICSU and ISSC.

Following the successful initial efforts in China (1995), Mexico (1997), and South Africa (1999), continued support of Regional Conferences was reaffirmed. Because of the importance of the regional meetings, IUPsyS and IAAP have also renewed their commitment to collaborate with each other and the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP). The agreement on procedures was slightly revised. The 2001 conference will be convened as a Regional Conference for South Asia and will be held in Mumbai, India in December 2001.

The activities of the several international research networks and projects were reviewed. Activities of the past year are reported below in the highlights of specific projects. These included collaborative projects focused on capacity building in the developing world (e.g., Advanced Research Training Seminars, the Health for All project as part of the working relationship with WHO) as well as those on Psychological Dimensions of Global Change, and the expanded project on Psychology in a Multi-Disciplinary Environment with a particular focus on the cognitive sciences. Directions for future actions were endorsed. Progress on specific projects is detailed below in reviewing activities undertaken during 2000. Activities for 2001 are generally well-defined and initiatives for 2001 are under active consideration. Several of those retained will be submitted for consideration by ICSU and ISSC.

New Officers and other members of the Executive Committee for the current quadrennium (2000-2004) were elected and assumed their positions at the conclusion of the Stockholm Congress. They are: President, Prof. Michel Denis (France); Secretary-General, Prof. Pierre Ritchie (Canada); Past-President, Prof. Géry d'Ydewalle (Belgium); Treasurer, Prof. Michel Sabourin (Canada); Vice-Presidents, Profs. Juan José Sanchez Sosa (Mexico) and Houcan Zhang (China); Deputy Secretary-General, Dr. Merry Bullock (USA); Members: Profs. John Adair (Canada), Rubén Ardila (Columbia), Saths Cooper (South Africa), Hiroshi Imada (Japan), Cigdem Kagitçibasi (Turkey); Ingrid Lunt (United Kingdom), Elizabeth Nair (Singapore), Bruce Overmier (USA), Ype Poortinga (Netherlands), and Rainer Silbereisen (Germany).

Finances

Detailed financial statements, independently audited, have been submitted to the ICSU and ISSC Secretariats.

The financial base of the Union remains sound. However, current finances continue to provide little margin for new initiatives. The budgets of some National Members continue to affect their capacity to render timely dues payments. Nonetheless, the Treasurer, M. Sabourin, confirmed that fiscal prudence in the management of the Union's affairs has allowed it to maintain financial viability. It was noted that financial reporting requirements have increased in recent years.

Secretariat

Electronic communication has enhanced internal communications, especially within the Executive Committee and externally with the more established international organizations in the psychological and broader communities. The prospect for doing so with the Assembly and National Members over time remains a goal. However, the Secretary General stressed that the administrative burden of responding to a rapidly increasing volume of communications as well as the expectation of rapid responses continues to present a challenge relative to the available administrative resources. This attenuates the general advantages afforded by electronic communications media.

Initial cataloguing of the IUPsyS Archives has been completed; further work on the Archives will proceed in coming years.

The work of the Secretary-General has been ably complemented by the assistance of the Deputy-Secretary-General, M. Bullock who has provided especially valuable service as web master of the Union's web site <www.iupsys.org>.

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN DURING 2000

Scientific meetings

The XXVII International Congress of Psychology held in Stockholm, Sweden was a resounding success. It achieved the highest attendance of any International Congress with more than 5,900 persons registered and participating. The excellence of the program, in its scope and in its specific components, received a strongly positive evaluation.

There were 680 sessions including 70 invited and keynote addresses, state-of-the art lectures and invited symposia. There were special activities for those delegates sponsored by the Young Psychologists program. The Congress Assistance Program benefited almost 200 delegates. In addition, specific IUPsyS projects supported a number of additional delegates from developing countries and countries in transition. More than 1,000 students attended; those from Sweden provided substantial volunteer time during the Congress week. There were 11 workshops associated with the Congress. Scientific Exchanges in conjunction with the Congress occurred in 4 departments of psychology. In addition, there were 6 satellite conferences held immediately prior or after the Congress. The Proceedings are under preparation for publication.

The Assembly and Executive Committee expressed great appreciation to Swedish colleagues under the leadership of Congress President Lars-Göran Nilsson with the able assistance of Congress Secretary-General Örjan Salling whose organization contributed so much to the success of the Congress.

Three **Advanced Research Training Seminars** (ARTS) were conducted in 2000 under the coordination of IUPsyS Executive Committee member, J. Adair. The ARTS program is a major Union commitment to capacity-building. It is offered in collaboration with two Union Affiliates, the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), and the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP). In addition to the funding support of UNESCO/ISSC and the Union itself, ARTS secured financial support from 9 national organizations and 6 other institutions.

The ARTS on **Imaging The Structure And Function of The Brain** convened by Professor Jarl Risberg (University of Lund, Sweden) was funded in part by a large grant (with significant contributions from UNESCO and the US National Academy of Science) from ICSU to IUPsyS and the International Brain Research Organization (IBRO) under the auspices of the project on 'Psychology in a Multi-Disciplinary Environment directed by Executive Committee member, Michel Denis.

The second ARTS, funded in part by UNESCO via ISSC, was unique in that it combined two seminars into a single ARTS. All participants attended both. The first two days of this ARTS were devoted to **Psychological Test Adaptations to Diverse Cultures**, organized by the International Test Commission (ITC) with Professor Thomas Oakland (University of Florida, USA) as convener. The third day, on **Measuring Personality Cross-Culturally** was convened by Professor Walt Lonner (Western Washington University, USA).

The third ARTS, **Pathways across Development: Cross-Cultural Perspectives** was convened by Professor Heidi Keller (University of Osnabrueck, Germany) was also funded in part by UNESCO via ISSC.

The Union was represented by the President and Secretary-General at the ISSC General Assembly and associated scientific meetings and by the Treasurer at the biennial CODATA conference.

Publications

The IUPsyS publications program is guided by the **Standing Committee on Communications and Publications** chaired by former Past-President K. Pawlik under the outgoing Executive Committee and now by current Past-President G. d'Ydewalle. The past year was one of major achievements for the Union's publications program.

The International Journal of Psychology (Editor: F. Doré) continued to be the major regular publication channel of IUPsyS... The "International Platform Section" of the Journal (Editors: P. Ritchie and M. Bullock) continued to serve as a quick-access information forum on major national and regional developments in scientific psychology. A continuously updated calendar of international congresses and conferences in psychology was again part of that section as well as posted to the web-site. The previously reported policy change on the languages of the Journal will be implemented in conjunction with the start of the term of a new Editor. Beginning with the 2002 volume, manuscripts will be in English with abstracts in English, French, and Spanish. Current Editor F. Doré is now concluding his second term and ineligible for re-appointment. Following a search initiated by the SC on Communications and Publications, the incoming Executive Committee approved the appointment of Professor Laura Hernandez Guzman (National University of Mexico).

Two books were published in 2000 on schedule. The *International Handbook of Psychology* under the editorship of former Union presidents K. Pawlik and M. Rosenzweig fills a significant need. The *History of the International Union of Psychological Science* (authored by M. Rosenzweig, W. Holtzman, M. Sabourin and D. Bélanger) was released in Stockholm in conjunction with the Union's 50th anniversary.

The first edition of the new *Psychology Resource Files* (B. Overmier and R. Overmier, Editors) was also published in 2000. This initiative is the Union's first venture in publishing in CD-Rom format. Under this aegis, materials and texts presenting useful information about psychology and psychologists internationally will be published periodically. It replaces and substantially expands upon the previous periodically published Union directory.

The IUPsyS Website (www.iupsys.org), under the direction of the Deputy Secretary-General, M. Bullock, continues to be enhanced. It is a rich source of current information on the Union and activities of international significance.

It is expected that the *Proceedings of the XXVII International Congress of Psychology* will be published in the coming year. In addition, the incoming Executive Committee charged the SC on Communications and Publications to evaluate the feasibility of producing a comprehensive, internationally oriented conceptual history of psychology. This matter will be further reviewed at the 2001 meeting of the Executive Committee.

Special projects

The **Standing Committee on Research and Special Projects**, formerly chaired by then Vice-President Jan Strelau and now chaired by Professor B. Overmier, continues to assist the Assembly and Executive Committee in providing general oversight and policy framework... Specific projects are detailed below.

The **Standing Committee on the Development of Psychology as a Science and a Profession**, chaired by then Vice-President C. Kagitçibasi and now by Professor Y. Poortinga. The primary activity is the development of a framework paper to articulate the current scope of psychological research and science-informed practice, including classification issues as well as centrifugal and unifying factors.

The Task Group on Women's Issues is exploring proposals for future symposia and a book which were generated during meetings held in conjunction with the Stockholm Congress.

Work of the **International Network Project on Psychological Dimensions of Global Change** on project "**Perception and Assessment of Global Environmental Change**" (PAGEC) continued with Professor K. Pawlik (University of Hamburg, Germany) as Project Director. This research is supported by UNESCO under the auspices of the Human Dimensions Program of Environmental Change of both ICSU and ISSC and by the US National Academy of Sciences. Building on preparatory work completed in prior years, work on Project PAGEC in 2000 proceeded in accordance with the established work plan including an invited symposium at the Stockholm Congress. Preparation of work to be pursued in the next biennium continued. This focuses on establishment of a worldwide network of researchers (research groups) involved in behavioral science research pertaining to the new project "**Psychological Aspects of Global Change**". Work currently in progress elsewhere is serving as a stimulus to broaden the PAGEC perspective and the potential impact such on policy-related research, policy-making, policy implementation, and policy evaluation.

The Research Network Project "**Psychology in a Multidisciplinary Environment**" is an extension of the former project, "Psychology and Cognitive Science". It was launched to provide a framework for engaging contacts with international bodies representing other disciplines related to psychology. The objective was to explore the possibilities for IUPsyS and other organizations whose objectives partly overlap to join their efforts in launching activities and stimulate operations that promote an interdisciplinary view of science.

The project remains anchored with the Human Cognition Group under the direction of Professor Michel Denis (LIMSI-CNRS, France). It also continues to be a broad-based international endeavor drawing on the strong 31 country network already identified in Stage I of the project. Particular attention is being accorded to the capacity building value of this project in countries where psychology can contribute to new technologies which may promote sustainable research and attendant economic benefits. The new project was launched to provide a framework for engaging contacts with international bodies representing other disciplines related to psychology. This resulted

in three initiatives which were accomplished in 2000 with the assistance of a large (Category I) grant from ICSU through allocations from UNESCO, US National Academy of Sciences and ICSU itself.

An IUPsyS-IBRO Joint Symposium, "**Neuroimaging of Cognitive Functions**", was organized by M. Denis and involved first-rank scientists from this domain. The symposium was part of the programme of the XXVII International Congress of Psychology. M. Denis (LIMSI-CNRS & University of Paris-Sud, France), now President of the IUPsyS, introduced the symposium, presenting an overview of the value of interdisciplinary exchanges, especially in the domain connecting brain, Behaviour, and cognition. Four scientific papers were then presented by P. E. Roland (Karolinska Institute, Sweden), on 'Neuroimaging and Neuroinformatics', R. S. J. Frackowiak (University College, United Kingdom), on 'Functional Neuroanatomy of Attention', J. Haxby (LBC-NIMH, USA), on 'Functional Organization of the Human Ventral Object Vision Pathway', and B. Mazoyer (CYCERON-CEA, France), on 'Neural Bases of Image and Language Interactions. The symposium was closed by Nobel Prize recipient T. Wiesel (USA) and President of the IBRO, who re-affirmed the value of scientific exchanges between our respective communities. Contributions to this symposium, and possibly some additional ones, will be published as a special issue of the *International Journal of Psychology* (Guest Editor: M. Denis). The Advanced Research Training Seminars "**Imaging the Structure and Function of the Brain**", also undertaken with IBRO was described above.

An IUPsyS-IGU Joint Symposium, "**Spatial Cognition and Environmental Knowledge**", was organized by M. Denis, involving two psychologists and two geographers. The symposium took place in the context of the XXVII International Congress of Psychology.

The symposium was introduced by M. Denis (LIMSI-CNRS & University of Paris-Sud, France), now President of IUPsyS and recalled the many domains in which geography and psychology have common interests. Four scientific contributions were then presented by B. Tversky (Stanford University, USA), on 'Characterization of Spatial Cognition', C. Cauvin (University Louis Pasteur, France), on 'Cognitive and Cartographic Representations', J. Portugali (Tel Aviv University, Israel), on 'Synergetic Networks and Cognitive Geography', and T. Yamamoto (Osaka Kyoiku University, Japan), on 'Spatial Cognition and Navigation in Blind Children'. A conclusion to the symposium was presented by IGU President A. Buttimer (Ireland) who stressed the value of developing interactions between the two disciplines. The editors of the interdisciplinary journal *Spatial Cognition and Computation* have expressed their interest in the publication of the written versions of the presentations. A further achievement specifically related to the issue of the relationships of psychology with other sciences was developed by M. Denis. This took the form of a chapter in the *International Handbook of Psychology*. The chapter provides an analysis of the very concept of "cross-disciplinary interactions", and reviews the relationships of psychology with a number of disciplines, from neuroscience through engineering to social sciences.

In every respect, the project was judged as a success by all parties and participants. The capacity building dimensions was particularly well achieved by the Advanced Training Seminar. The seeding of future multi-disciplinary collaboration is already evident in the discussions currently underway among the 3 Unions of this project as well as with at least one other Union in the short-term. In themselves, however, the scholarly and training activities undertaken by this project have made a constructive contribution to the further evolution of attitudes and scientific methods conducive to serving society via the advancement of knowledge through multi-disciplinary research.

The work of the IUPsyS **International Network on the Young Child and the Family**, under the coordination of Professor C. Kagitçibasi (Koc University, Turkey) has been completed. The "Working Directory of Centers involved in Research and Applied Work on the Young Child and the Family in Developing Countries and Eastern Europe" is now part of the *Psychology Resource File* through which it will be updated periodically. The Executive Committee expressed its appreciation for Professor Kagitçibasi's dedication to the project over several years.

The Union's **Standing Committee on the Psychological Study of Peace**, previously chaired by Professor M. Wessells (Randolph Macon College, USA) and now by Professor Diane Bretherton (University of Melbourne, Australia). This is a period of transition in the committee's composition and work plan. The Union's endorsement of the UNESCO Culture of Peace Manifesto is directly related to the previous work of the SC on the Psychological Study of Peace.

The **International Network of Psychology and the Developing World** (INPDW), was coordinated by Professor R. Ardila (National University of Columbia) and is now coordinated by Dr. Saths Cooper (Psychological Society of South Africa). Activities continued to center on facilitating communication between individual psychologists who work in the developing world, helping to make IUPsyS more visible in the developing world, supporting psychological research in different areas of the planet, and enhancing participation in the International Congresses of Psychology and in the Regional Congresses held mainly in developing countries. The Advanced Research Training Seminars (ARTS) are regarded as very important in helping to facilitate research and international networks. It is expected that this network will be expanded in the coming quadrennium.

The IUPsyS **HealthNet**, co-ordinated by Professor J.J. Sanchez Sosa (National University of Mexico), continued its renewal and expansion. It received support from ICSU with a US National Academy of Science allocation which partially contributed to the communication activities noted below. Established in the previous quadrennium, it grew to more than 100 psychologists in 25 countries. It is a network of psychologists working as clinicians and scientists on a wide range of health problems. They develop and implement illness prevention and health promotion programs as well as specific clinical interventions.

HealthNet is also supporting the update of several international directories of researchers and academicians actively involved in either training health professionals or implementing health research programs. HealthNet welcomed new colleagues who accepted to serve as National Liaison Representatives (NLRs). The main responsibilities of NLRs include collecting information in their respective countries or regions, concerning new developments on the health-behavior two-way interface. Once the NLRs send this information to the Net's office, it gets processed for publication in the Net's outlets.

Both conventional (newsletter) and electronic media (web page) are utilized due to great diversity in terms of geographical distribution and resource capabilities of both the Union's National Members and those of individual psychologists. Three issues of the newsletter were published in 2000. The General Directorate for Academic Computing of Mexico's National University (UNAM) continued to provide technical and human resources to the Health Net web site <<http://www.unam.mx/healthnet>>.

IUPsyS, through its central secretariat and its HealthNet coordinator at UNAM in Mexico City benefited from the assistance of the Union of Latin American Universities (UDUAL) to promote major initiatives in Latin American countries during 1999, and continued through the year 2000. UDUAL's General Assembly approved the foundation of the network University Programs of Health Research in Latin America ("PUISAL" in Spanish).

This Network also provides collaboration and assistance to Secretary-General P. Ritchie, IUPsyS Main Representative to the World Health Organization (WHO), in implementing the IUPsyS-WHO Work Plan. There is clear support within WHO to develop closer ties with psychology, particularly within a health psychology and behavioral science framework. The renewal of Health Net remains of considerable interest to WHO.

The **WHO-IUPsyS Work Plan** for the 1998-2000 biennium operated within the generic WHO goal of achieving 'Health For All'. A key element was the development of the **IUPsyS-WHO Psychology Behavioral Science Learning Modules**. The project was initiated with funds from IUPsyS. Subsequently, the project received funds from UNESCO via ISSC and from the Canadian Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology. The project is coordinated by Professor R. Martin (University of Manitoba, Canada) and Professor P. Ritchie (University of Ottawa, Canada).

The Psychology Behavioral Science Modules are based on the recognition that many elements contribute to positive health status. They are anchored in the WHO definition of health as "a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity". The modules not only explain how behavior influences health; they also enable health care providers to acquire skills to positively influence health attainment and maintenance. The goals are to (i) identify and disseminate ways to induce behavior change in populations generally at-risk or in persons who present with elevated risk profiles; (ii) identify social and cultural patterns influencing health for better or worse; and (iii) enable the teaching of behavioral skills to a broad range of health care providers. The modules are designed to be of such quality and relevance that they can be readily incorporated into the curricula of health care training facilities such as medical and nursing schools.

With the support of UNESCO/ISSC and other supporters, the module on **Behavioral Factors in Immunization** led by Professor J. Carr (University of Washington, USA) was published in 2000. The module on Behavioral **Factors in Prenatal Care Utilization** led by Professor J. Campbell (University of Missouri, USA) is in press.

The Stockholm Congress provided an important opportunity to further disseminate the results of this project through the invited symposium on 'Knowledge Transfer in Health Psychology: The Psychological Contribution to the World Health Organization's Behavioral Science Learning Modules'.

WHO has expressed interest in further collaboration on new Modules; possibilities are in the areas of pain, reproductive health, families and other persons providing natural support to victims of AIDS as well as on women and depression. In addition, WHO has expressed interest in a policy paper on psychology as health service profession for use with national Ministries of Health and potential collaboration on psychology's role in health service delivery systems.

BRIEF REPORT ON USE OF 2000 ICSU AND ISSC GRANTS, UNESCO SUBVENTIONS AND FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES

A description of activities supported by UNESCO through 2000 ICSU and ISSC grants as well as those also receiving support from other sources was provided in the report of special projects and in separate, elaborated reports to the granting bodies. These included the projects on Advanced Research Training Seminars, Health for All, Perception and Assessment of Global Environmental Change, Psychological Aspects of Global Change, and Psychology in a Multi-disciplinary Environment (Neuroimaging of cognitive functions, jointly with IBRO and Spatial Cognition and Environmental Knowledge jointly with IGU).

Separate reports and financial statements for each project are being submitted to the ICSU and ISSC secretariats.

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE PLANS

The year 2000 marked the completion of the previous quadrennium and the beginning of a new one. It also coincides with the celebration of the Union's 50th anniversary. The past 4 years were a period of substantial achievements of the ambitious objectives which were set for it.

In the final year alone, a highly successful International Congress, the on-schedule publication of 2 books and the new CD-ROM *Psychology Resource File* as well as delivering 3 Advanced Research Training Seminars mad for highly visible products. In addition, a broad range of special projects highlighted by that on 'Psychology in a Multi-Disciplinary Environment' which benefited from a large ICSU grant demonstrated the Union's commitment to a broad range of scholarly activities and capacity building in the advancement of psychological science and its application to human problems.

It has also been a period of greater and more systematic contribution to public policy especially through the United Nations family. In particular, there have been enhanced contributions to the UN Secretariat for which IUPsyS was accorded Special Consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and the pursuit of a mutually adopted Work Plan with the World Health Organization. The latter has demonstrated that the Union's scientific strengths can contribute practically to human well-being as reflected in the jointly published Behavioral Science Module on Immunization.

The Union is committed to maintaining its support for capacity building in all areas of the world as well as to supporting psychological scientists and science based practitioners and those conducting or implementing the fruits of research in related domains. The renewal of the International Network of Psychology and the Developing World and further initiatives by Health Net will be important elements in this area in the new quadrennium.

With the noteworthy successes of the recent past as an example, the Union's publications program will be characterized by transition in the immediate future. The dissemination of knowledge through the *International Journal of Psychology* will continue to be a stable centrepiece with a new Editor and her editorial team taking charge in 2002. The Union's new *Psychology Resource Files* will move from initial implementation to planning for its orderly evolution. Ideas for a new book and other publishing ventures will be evaluated early in the new quadrennium. The Union will also be considering its future in the realm of electronic publishing.

Specific research activities and special projects in Africa, the Americas, Asia and Europe were a blend of continuing and newly evolving activities in the past quadrennium. The prospect is for a comparable level of contribution in the coming 4 years. Capacity building will continue to be anchored in Advanced Research Seminars and Regional Conferences supplemented by focal projects in such areas as literacy.

Collaborative relationships with the United Nations through the UN secretariat in New York, with UNESCO in Paris and with WHO in Geneva progressed steadily while maintaining the Union's relationship and contributions to ICSU and ISSC. As previously anticipated, IUPsyS will be required to continues to adjust to funding and other changes in UNESCO that have an impact on the scientific community and our federative bodies, ICSU and ISSC.

Sustaining relations with National Members, implementing plans for the Union's existing and new programs, furthering policy development and supporting short-term needs in the UN system as well

as the prospect of additional research and special projects will remain priorities in the new quadrennium.

With the growth in activities and the dramatic increase in external as well as internal communications, the Union's small secretariat is now routinely functioning beyond the limits of its resources. How to enhance the capacity of its own infrastructure to carry out the IUPsyS mission will require thoughtful attention. This is likely to occur initially in the review of the Union's functions and structure.

Last year's report concluded with the statement: "The year 2000 promises to be unusually momentous, even for a year characterized by an International Congress of Psychology, an Assembly and the election of new Officers and the Executive Committee for the next quadrennium". The accuracy of this forecast became abundantly clear as the year progressed. The Union now enters its second half-century as the planet starts a new millennium. As one of the past year's new books amply illustrated, IUPsyS has a rich history on which to draw. There are numerous examples of the strong relationships and collaboration the Union has sustained over time as well as those more recently established. The diversity characterizing the new Executive Committee bodes well for sustained progress and meeting new challenges.