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The IUPsyS Monthly Bulletin is for IUPsyS National Members, Affiliates, and related organizations, and their members. It provides brief updates on the work of the Union and related regional and international matters.



## **IUPsyS' Global Footprint**

## **IUPSYS GLOBAL COVID-19 SURVEY**



The IUPsyS survey of countries across the world had a 75% National Member response. Each participating organisation received a Country Report. The IUPsyS Executive Committee at its meeting on 21 July expressed its thanks to all who contributed to this singular outcome under these trying times. Together, continuing to share our knowledge and expertise, enables all of us everywhere to be better able to meet such emergencies.

#### **COVID-19 RESOURCES**

The wealth of National Member online resources may be accessed here. These invaluable resources have been collated into the following categories:

- Resources for Psychology Practitioners
- <u>Resources for Frontline Workers</u>
- <u>Resources for People with COVID-19</u>
- Resources for General Public

## ICP2020 RESCHEDULED TO 18-23 JULY 2021



## WE ARE RE-OPENING ABSTRACT SUBMISSION ON JUNE 15, 2020

#### Dear colleagues

We have already informed you that due to the pandemic situation, the ICP2020 was rescheduled to 18-23 July 2021. With this opportunity, we have also updated the congress title to ICP2020+. We are now re-opening abstract submissions - do not miss the opportunity to submit an abstract for the 32nd International Congress of Psychology and represent yourself, your country and region at ICP 2020+. Please note that if your abstract has already been accepted, please do not submit it again - all accepted abstracts have been transferred to ICP2020+.

The Scientific Committee of the Congress re-opens the general submission and invites you to submit your abstracts for oral presentations, poster presentations, or symposia at the ICP 2020+ website at www.icp2020.com.

We have not changed the congress theme, 'Open Minds, Societies and the World,' the theme just gained new relevance for us all. The basic programme structure includes a wide array of over 40 thematic areas, and additionally, prospective participants are not limited to these as all submissions will be evaluated.

> Deadline for Abstract Submission is 18 January 2021 and will not be extended!

#### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:**

15 June 2020 - Re-opening for all abstract submissions **18 January 2021 - Deadline for all abstract submissions** 01 March 2021 - Notification regarding abstract submissions

For more information on the Congress such as important dates, Keynote Speakers, guidelines for abstract submission and all other information, please visit http://www.icp2020.com/ or follow us on social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram).

### REPRESENT YOURSELF, YOUR NATION, COUNTRY AND REGION AND JOIN US AT THE ICP2020+!



# IUPSYS CONCERN OVER RACISM IN THE USA

The International Union of Psychological Science notes with grave concern the blatant racism in the USA which has resulted in the wanton killing of African Americans and the violent response to peaceful protests by young people. As Psychology's Global Voice we urge US leaders to create an environment that is conducive to resolving this age-old scourge which blots our quest for a common humanity, and desist from fuelling further violence against its citizens. Below are links to a sample of responses from our members that express our collective willingness to support meaningful resolution, especially at this fragile period when all of us are reeling from the COVID-19 pandemic.

- <u>Response from The Pan African Psychology Union (PAPU)</u>
- Response from The Interamerican Society of Psychology (SIP)

A further statement from the International Science Council on combating systemic racism and other forms of discrimination may be viewed **here.** 



## **News from National Members and Affiliates**

## IN MEMORIAM: WAYNE H. HOLTZMAN (1923 – 2019)



The international psychological community is mourning a devoted Officer, diplomat, and facilitator of international psychology: Professor Wayne H. Holtzman, born in Chicago on January 19, 1923, passed away on January 23, 2019, four days past his 96th birthday. Just weeks thereafter his loving wife Joan Holtzman, née King, ever so close to him also in his work for the Union, passed away on March 5, 2019. They are survived by four sons, ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

After completing a BS degree in Chemistry from Northwestern University Wayne Holtzman served the last years of World War II (1944-45) as an ensign in the First and Fifth Pacific Fleets, commissioned from the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Following discharge from active duty he switched his field of study to psychology, first for a Master's degree from Northwestern University where he and Joan met. Following their marriage after Joan's graduation they both moved to Stanford University, Joan for a Master's in music education and Wayne for a PhD in psychology. In 1949 Wayne accepted a faculty position in the Psychology Department of The University of Texas at Austin, TX. It was to become his academic home for the next 53 years. As a researcher, Wayne became widely known as author of the Holtzman Inkblot Technique, a revision of the Rorschach test for improved objectivity of scoring and interpretation. Outstanding among the executive positions he held at TU was his Presidency of the prestigious Hogg Foundation of Mental Health. In 1972 the incoming Executive Committee of the Union appointed Wayne Holtzman as new Secretary General. This was to become the beginning of a 20 years period of his service to the Union. It fell in a time when the Union sought to deepen its relationship with other international bodies in the field of science (notably UNESCO, ISSC, and ICSU), to build up national membership around the world and to take a lead in setting culture-fair global standards for psychology as a science and as a profession, as in ethics for professional conduct. In his three successive terms of office as Secretary General (from 1972 until 1984) and, subsequently, as President (1984-1988) and Past-President (1988-1992) of the Union, Wayne guided international psychology on a successful route of progress along all these lines of evolution. This became instrumental also for the Union's special mission to support the development of psychology in the "developing world", as it was called at the time. For the first time the International Congress of Psychology, the Union's global platform, could be convened outside Europe or North-America: in Mexico, with significant personal assistance by Wayne. And, petit à petit, the Union came to play a growing role also in translational crossdisciplinary research programs at global scales and in its cooperation with WHO (World Health Organization), notably on issues of mental health.

The American Psychological Association honored Wayne Holtzman in 1995 with the Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology. The IUPsyS is indebted to the memory of Wayne Holtzman for having guided international psychology so skillfully to grow towards its role and profile of today. These words of thanks also go to his wife Joan, Jojo to their friends, for the cordiality she brought into IUPsyS conference social events all around the world - both of them soon becoming friends to anyone they met.



The Holtzman family gathering in 2017 at the 70th wedding anniversary of Wayne and Joan Professor Kurt Pawlik Past President of IUPsyS



## News from National Members and Affiliates continued...

## IN MEMORIAM: WAYNE H. HOLTZMAN (1923 – 2019)

Wayne H. Holtzman died on 23 January 2019 at the age of 96. Forty-one days later, Joan King, the love of his life, with whom he had been married for 71 years, also passed away at the age of 93. Wayne was born in Chicago on 16 January 1923. After receiving a BS degree in Chemistry from Northwestern University, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy in February 1944. He then served on the USS lowa during the latter part of the Second World War as an anti-aircraft gunnery officer. His observations of people in life threatening combat conditions and often debilitating stress during these difficult times prompted a particular interest in the complexities of human behaviour that greatly influenced his future career.

After being discharged from active military duty, Wayne decided to pursue doctoral studies in psychology at Stanford University. After completing a Ph.D. in Psychology and Statistics, he joined the faculty of the Psychology Department of the University of Texas in 1949 and retired in 1993; he was then appointed Hogg Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Education.

As a clinical research psychologist, his major contribution to the field of personality assessment was the creation, in 1961, of the Holtzman Inkblot Test (HIT), a projective personality test similar to the well-known Rorschach Inkblot Test. However, unlike the Rorschach test, the HIT was conceived as a standardised instrument with clearly defined objective scoring criteria. Indeed, it was created to address most of the controversial scoring and interpretation issues, as well as the shortcomings, surrounding the Rorschach Test. During his long tenure at the University of Texas at Austin, Wayne Holtzman held various administrative and professional positions including service as President of the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health and Dean of the College of Education. In an era when these areas were still in the early stages of development, Wayne was also Chair of the university's Faculty Computer Committee as well as Chair of the Laboratory for Computer-Assisted Instruction.

During his distinguished career, Wayne Holtzman held many leadership positions within the realm of organised psychology, nationally and internationally. He served as President of the Texas Psychological Association, as President of the Interamerican Society of Psychology, and as Secretary-General (1972-1984) and President (1984-1988) of the International Union of Psychological Science.

He was also Chair of the Board of Directors of the renowned Menninger Clinic and a Trustee of the Menninger Foundation. His reputation as an outstanding clinical and research psychologist was also recognised by his appointment as Director of the World Health Organization's Texas-Mexico Collaborating Center in Mental Health. During his career, Wayne Holtzman authored over 200 articles in scientific journals and he served as Editor of the Journal of Educational Psychology. For his distinguished contributions to the fields of psychology and education, Wayne Holtzman received numerous honours and awards, including the prestigious Centennial Award from the American Psychological Association.

During his twelve years tenure as Secretary-General of IUPsyS and his four presidential years, Wayne Holtzman can be credited with many important achievements. For example, he efficiently promoted the globalisation of psychological science much beyond the borders of the traditional European and North American countries. He was particularly active in reaching out to Asian, African and Latin American countries. His goal was not only to make IUPsyS more inclusive; he also sought to expand psychological knowledge through mutually beneficial collaborative research.

Wayne Holtzman was instrumental in enhancing Union collaboration with international organisations, especially with the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNESCO, as well as with the two umbrella science organisations, the International Social Science Council (ISSC) and the International Council for Science (ICSU). With Dr. Norman Sartorius, a psychiatrist acting as Director of Mental Health at WHO, Wayne spearheaded an important project reviewing and establishing the roles and functions of psychologists in the provision of mental health care services. Wayne also provided vital leadership in promoting the adoption and enforcement of ethical standards and codes of conduct in psychology by the Union's National Members. At the end of his first term as Secretary-General, the Union's 1976 Assembly adopted resolutions dealing with the misuse of psychiatric diagnosis to suppress political dissent and the need to denounce vigorously all practices that are contrary to the values that must regulate the scientific and professional roles assumed by psychologists in modern society.

Wayne Holtzman will be remembered by all his colleagues, and especially those with whom he worked closely within the IUPsyS, as a brilliant colleague and highly efficient administrator whose manner was always very respectful and diplomatic. Wayne's natural manner resembled that of a classic gentleman with a marvelous sense of humour. At the turn of the millennium, I had the occasion to co-author with him (as well as with Mark Rosenzweig and David Bélanger) a book on the History of the International Union of Psychological Science. Many memorable interactions resulted from this joint enterprise; Wayne's participation definitely made it a most enjoyable learning experience. Wayne Holtzman will always remain very high in my personal pantheon of great psychologists and friends.

#### Michel Sabourin

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## **News from International Bodies**

## **UNITED NATIONS**



## UN'S KEY INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

"Concrete, bold and implementable solutions" are needed to turn the tide on the many difficulties and challenges the world is facing, including the current pandemic, Secretary-General António Guterres, said on 14 July 2020 at the UN's key International Forum on Sustainable Development. Full details of the Forum may be viewed **here**.

The UN's COVID-19 response portal may be accessed here.

### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



## WHO MENTAL HEALTH AND COVID-19

The WHO is working closely with global experts, governments and partners to rapidly expand scientific knowledge on this new virus, to track the spread and virulence of the virus, and to provide advice to countries and individuals on measures to protect health and prevent the spread of this outbreak. The WHO COVID-19 weblink also provides public advise and country and technical guidance. Various other specific material may be accessed at:

- Video: Address by WHO Director General on the Importance of Mental Health
- Mental Health and Psychosocial Considerations During the COVID-19 Outbreak
- Advice for the Public
- Advice for Health Worker

## THE WHO BULLETIN

The WHO Bulletin is one of the world's leading public health journals. It is a peerreviewed 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**.

## INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE COUNCIL



## **ISC COVID-19 PORTAL**

The ISC has created an online **portal of COVID-19 resources** that showcases the scale and scope of response, and encourages ISC members and partners to collaborate and share best practices during the pandemic.

### **ISC 2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

ISC is a non-governmental organisation with a global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organisations. The vision of the ISC is to advance science as a global public good - scientific knowledge, data and expertise must be universally accessible and their benefits universally shared. The 2019 Annual Report is designed as a digital-first publication and available here.

### **ISC NEWSLETTER**

ISC is the only international non-governmental organisation bringing together the natural and social sciences and the largest global science organisation of its type (<u>https://</u> <u>council.science/</u>). The latest newsletters of the International Science Council brings you the latest on their activities and may be viewed <u>here.</u>

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