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## **IUPsyS' GLOBAL FOOTPRINT**

# **IUPSyS Capacity Building Workshop for Psychology in the ASEAN Region**

An IUPsyS facilitated and supported single day capacity building workshop for psychology in the ASEAN region was held at the joint ARUPS 4th Congress and PAP 50th Annual Convention in Manila 23–25 October 2013. The workshop which was also supported by a grant from the American Psychology Foundation (APF), was led and facilitated by Pam Maras from the UK, who is a member of the IUPsyS Executive Committee, and Maria Caridad H. (Caring) Tarroja, the 2013 ARUPS-PAP Convention Chair.

Nineteen senior psychologists took part in the workshop including representatives from the five ARUPS partner associations in Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. Saths Cooper as President of the IUPSyS gave a presentation and the President of ARUPS Soree Pokaeo attended. The purpose of the workshop was to identify and explore capacity-building issues for the development of psychology education, training, practice and research in the ASEAN region. ARUPS has already developed some links and the attendees focused on how these might be strengthened and developed as well as potential new activity and direction to support psychology and psychologists in the ASEAN region. The workshop started with four brief presentations:

- 1. Welcome and opening comments: Caring Tarroja
- 2. Introduction to Capacity Building and issues identified for discussion: Pam Maras
- 3. Global Issues and Challenges in Psychology: Saths Cooper
- 4. Regional Issues and Challenges in Psychology: Allan Bernado

The remainder of the day was action orientated with small group discussions of issues raised by the presentations as well as topics identified by participants in a pre-workshop questionnaire on the further development of psychology as a science and practice in the South East Asian region. The workshop ended with a plenary session led by Pam Maras and involving a panel comprising of Allan Bernado (former ARUPS President), Saths Cooper (President of IUPSyS), Goh Chee Leong (incoming President of ARUPS) and Maria Regina Hechanova (President of PAP). A list of potential areas for development was agreed and the ARUPS committee will consider this in their planning for the coming year.

ASEAN Regions IUPsyS Capacity Building Workshop Participants

# IUPsyS at the 29<sup>th</sup> International Social Science Council

IUPsyS was represented at the 29th International Social Science Council (ISSC) General Assembly in Montreal, Canada by President Saths Cooper, Secretary-General and Treasurer Ann Watts, Michel Sabourin. Saths Cooper was elected ISSC Vice President (Information and Communications) and Michel Sabourin re-elected Treasurer. Alberto Martinelli of the International Sociological Association was elected President. This was a critical ISSC General Assembly that reflected social science endeavours in the world and interdisciplinary programmes with partners like ICSU and UNESCO.



Left to Right - Michel Sabourin (Treasurer), Heide Hackman (Executive Director), Saths Cooper (Vice President Information and Communications), Alberto Martinelli (President) and Elisa Reis (Vice President Science)



#### Capacity Building in Asia: News from the Past President

Following the Union's successful application to the International Council for Science (ICSU) for a grant to hold a second capacity building workshop in Asia, the process of which was overseen by Past President, Rainer K. Silbereisen, plans were made to hold a workshop entitled 'Building individual and organizational capacity for psychological interventions after disasters in the Asia and Pacific region' in Beijing, October 11-14, 2013. The workshop was organized by IUPsyS in collaboration with the Chinese Psychological Society and the ICSU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific. The workshop was held at the Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), Beijing. A report will be available soon.



Workshop Faculty and Participants, Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Science, Beijing, China Building on experiences from the first Asia/Pacific workshop, held in Beijing in 2012, a mixed programme of

presentations, discussions, plenaries, and small group activities was organised. The workshop attracted an international faculty from China, the USA, Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, and New Zealand, who presented on topics ranging from

epigenetics, resilience, and cultural factors, to practical interventions and pre- and post-disaster networking. The 24 participants came from China, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Uzbekistan. Initial results of the workshop

evaluation suggest that the workshop was very successful and plans for activities stemming from the series of workshops and linking in to other areas of development in Asia are being discussed.

For example, in some Asian countries opportunities are emerging in fledgling markets for self-initiated economic activities, such as becoming an entrepreneur. This, which has the potential of evoking change on a larger scale, was the topic of a recent meeting in Seoul, South Korea, attended by the Past President as part of an invited group of international specialists in social, economic, and political change. One consideration is the start of an initiative to support such processes by providing research expertise and utilizing IUPsyS experiences in bringing together people from various countries, including those in political transition. For more information, see: http://www.iupsys.net/images/secnatmembers/ga2012/asiapacific-workshop-report.pdf



### **NEWS FROM INTERNATIONAL BODIES**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> World Social Science Forum (WSSF), Canada

The second in the International Social Science Council's series of Fora, on the theme "Social Transformations and the Digital Age", the World Social Science Forum (WSSF 2013) took place recently in Montreal, Canada. This Forum illustrated the role that digital technologies play in nearly all aspects of life – most notably in the different forms of "social media" — which has been a constant news focus in recent years. The digital technologies have also become a major focus of social research. For more information, see: http://www.wssf2013.org/

#### The ISSCC World Social Science Fellows Programme

The ISSC is proud to announce the selection of 25 new, talented Fellows, who will work on creative, interdisciplinary perspectives on risk interpretation and action at a seminar to be held in Taipei in early December 2013, and cosponsored by the ISSC's World Social Science Fellows programme, the Risk Interpretation and Action working group of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk (IRDR) programme, the IRDR International Center of Excellence, the International START Secretariat, and the Royal Society of New Zealand.

#### **Launching of the 2013 World Social Science Report**

The World Social Science Report 2013, on the theme 'Changing Global Environments', was recently launched in Montreal, Canada during the General Assembly of the International Social Science Council held from 10-12 October 2013, just before the World Social Science Forum (WSSF 2013). For more information, see: http://www.worldsocialscience.org/documents/wss-report-prelaunch-presentation.pdf

#### **International Social Science Council (ISSC): Prizes**

During the second WSSF, the International Social Science Council (ISSC) awarded both the 2012 and the 2013 Stein Rokkan Prizes. The 2012 prize was awarded to Professor Pepper Culpepper, from the European University Institute's Department of Political and Social Sciences, for his book entitled 'Quiet Politics and Business Power', while the 2013 prize was awarded to Professors Dorothee Bohle and Béla Greskovits, for their book entitled 'Capitalist Diversity on Europe's Periphery'. Also awarded was the Foundation Mattei Dogan Prize for Excellence in Interdisciplinary Research. It was given to Professor Amtrajeet Batabyal, from the Rochester Institute of Technology, USA, for his book entitled 'Sustainability or Resilience: which should we seek?'





Michel Sabourin awards the Foundation Mattei Dogan Prize to Professor Amtrajeet Batabyal

### **NEWS FROM AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

#### International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP)

The International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) has two awards that are open for nomination:

- 1. Distinguished Professional Contributions Award. This award recognizes 'outstanding contributions to the advancement of the profession of psychology internationally'; and
- 2. Distinguished Scientific Contributions Award. This award recognizes 'demonstrated scientific impact internationally'.

For more information, see: http://www.iaapsy.org/uploads/file/News/Call-NominationAwards2014.pdf

The Wiley/British Academy Prize in Psychology is also open for nomination. Anyone can nominate for the Wiley Prize in Psychology and this award provides a sum of £5,000 in recognition of excellence in research in psychology. It alternately rewards lifetime achievement by an outstanding international scholar and promising early-career work by a UK-based psychologist. For more information on how to nominate and for past winners, see: http://www.britac.ac.uk/about/medals/wiley.cfm

#### International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP)

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Congress of IACCP will be held in Reims, France, from 15-19 July 2014 immediately following the International Congress of Applied Psychology in Paris. For more information, see: http://www.iaccp2014.com

There is a call for submissions for Award for Early Career Contributions to Cross-Cultural Psychology and applications are due 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013. This award has been established to honour "researchers at an early stage of their careers for their outstanding contributions to knowledge generation, dissemination and application for cross-cultural psychology primarily through research, but also through teaching of cross-cultural psychology and service to the field given the available opportunities".

