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INTRODUCING IUPSY S TREASURER - DR GOH CHEE LEONG

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As the newly elected Treasurer of IUPsyS, Dr Goh has excitedly embraced a significant international role in psychology. This new position represents yet another marker of both his standing in the discipline, and his reputation as a multi-skilled academic, administrator and scientist. Dr Goh, the current Vice President and Dean of the Faculty of Behavioral Sciences at HELP University in Kuala Lumpur was pivotal in growing his Faculty's psychology programme, which is now one of the largest



Dr Goh Chee Leong, IUPsyS Treasurer

in South East Asia. In his national role as the President of the Malaysian Psychological Society (PSIMA), Dr Goh has driven sustained increases in its membership. Beyond leadership in Malaysia as the Past President for the ASEAN Regional Union of Psychological Societies (ARUPS), he was instrumental in championing the rapid development of psychological science in this important geographical growth area for the discipline.

In 1999, Dr Goh obtained his PhD, which focused on the effects of modality, rehearsal and

context on source monitoring in children at the University of Otago, where he was also recognised with a prestigious postgraduate award for this work. Extending on this focus, he has published in the area of memory and eyewitness testimonies among children. This interest in using applied psychological science to benefit the lives of children was also realised in his intervention work for UNICEF, which included the establishment of national child trauma response teams and bully prevention initiatives in Malaysian schools. He has also led a research team funded by World Vision to conduct studies on youth psychosocial factors in East Timor. Dr Goh's contributions to Malaysia have been extensive. Building on his development and implementation of a capacity building project in Tsunami-affected communities in Kedah, he was a member of its National Disaster Taskforce for Mental Health that was commissioned to construct a disaster response protocol for Malaysia.

Notwithstanding these valuable contributions to the public sector, Dr Goh has also directed his early interest in cognitive psychology to niche specialisations in the fields of change management, conflict mediation, customer service, people management, stress management, talent management and leadership. He has brought these applications of science to bear on developing human capital in multinational companies including Ogilvy and Mather, Petronas, Maxis, CIMB, Public Mutual, Prudential, Standard Chartered Bank, Great Eastern, Kraft, Prudential, Hitachi, Toyota and BASF.

Dr Goh's distinguished years of cross-sectoral, international contributions to psychological science will prove essential during his four-year tenure in the strategically important role of Treasurer of IUPsyS. During this period of service, he will undoubtedly leverage his historical range of global successes in driving forward the mission of the Union aboard its newly elected Executive Committee.

PSYCHOLOGY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND ETHICS

BY SATHS COOPER, IUPSY S PRESIDENT

At the last ICP2016 in Japan, President Cooper spoke to the topic "Are Human Rights and Ethics Compatible?" in his IUPsyS Presidential Address. The Presidential Symposium was entitled "Not in our name: Psychology post-Hoffman" where an important statement on the matter was made by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNHCHR), Prince Zeid bin Ra'ad (this may be accessed at the link below). Klaus Boehnke (International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology President-Elect), Michael Wessels (Founder of the International Peace Psychology Committee), and APA President Susan McDaniel shared their thoughts on one of the most egregious challenges facing psychology as a science and profession in recent times (the presentations that have been made available may be accessed here: <http://www.iupsys.net/news/statement-on-ethics-and-human-rights-by-the-un-high-commissioner-for-human-rights>).

Position of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The UNHCHR raised pertinent issues that psychology must consider when assessing its role with vulnerable populations, such as those in need of mental health services "where we find some of the last vestiges of barbarism in the medical and caring professions" and "if mental health is routinely marginalised in 'ordinary' or 'civilian' settings, is it any wonder that this pattern not only repeats but is worse in militarised or police settings?"

The UNHCHR highlighted two responsibilities for psychologists:

1. Respect for the human rights of the people under our care

Placing the human being at the centre of any treatment plan, the UNHCHR correctly avers that "Human rights norms are founded on the principle that everyone is worthy of dignity and respect." The Universal Declaration of Human Rights "reaffirms the rights to life, liberty and security of the person", proscribing "torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment", and calls on "every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, [to] strive by teaching and education to promote respect for

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PSYCHOLOGY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND ETHICS (CONT)

BY SATHS COOPER

these rights and freedoms". The UNHCHR urges psychologists "to breathe fresh life into this exhortation and transform it from perceived platitude to call to action by ensuring the scrupulous application of these principles in all settings where your expertise is solicited."

2. Respect for professional ethics

The UNHCHR states: "There is much common ground between professional ethics and human rights but, as we know, the two are not synonymous. Respect for professional ethical standards, and the enforcement of sanctions to address breaches, is an important pillar of the protection of persons" under our care. The UNHCHR appealed "for a more deliberate bringing together of human rights and ethical standards, with human rights serving as the ultimate measure of the appropriate treatment of persons interacting with mental health service providers, including psychologists."

The IUPsyS Position

On 27 July 1976, the IUPsyS Assembly resolved that because the subject of our science is behaviour, it was "particularly concerned with any acts by which individuals in a systematic and deliberate way infringe upon the inviolable rights of human beings, regardless of race, religion, or ideology, these rights being guaranteed by the Charter of the United Nations; and which is concerned with strict observance of professional standards of ethics in the practice of psychology".

The Assembly unanimously declared that:

- It proclaims that no psychologist, in the exercise of his or her professional functions, should accept instructions or motivations that are inspired by considerations that are foreign to the profession;
- It protests solemnly against any use of scientific data or of professional methods of psychology that impair the above-mentioned rights; It formally condemns any collaboration by psychologists - whether actively or passively, directly or indirectly - with the above-mentioned abuses, and it urges its members to oppose any abuses of this sort;
- It requests each member-society to make certain that it has enacted a code of ethics and to take those actions required by its code against any member guilty of such abuses against human rights;
- It declares that the Executive Committee is ready to support, with all means at its disposal, any action undertaken by a member-society in order to carry out the terms of the present resolution.

The last Assembly in Yokohama in July 2016 unanimously reaffirmed this resolution as inviolable IUPsyS policy.

IUPsyS recommends that all national, regional and international psychology associations carefully monitor human rights violations within their jurisdiction, especially where psychologists may be directly or indirectly involved. Acting swiftly to hold ourselves accountable when suspicions arise over alleged human rights abuses and "applying sanctions where ethical codes have been violated" will hopefully avoid our science and profession from becoming mired in needless controversy, thus contributing significantly to mitigate reputation risk to psychology the world over.

Our claim to being human - indeed civilised - is revealed by how we treat the worst off in our midst.

32ND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY - ICP2020

The 32nd International Congress of Psychology 2020 (ICP2020) will be held in Prague, Czech Republic - City of a Hundred Spires, a UNESCO monument and one of the most beautiful cities in the world. The Congress will take place from 19-24 July 2020 and will be organized around the theme "Psychology in the 21st Century: Open Minds, Societies & World". Follow us on Facebook: ICP 2020/International Congress of Psychology, for more information and the latest news.



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2ND LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE (CLACIP2016)

The International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) was pleased to be one of the sponsors of the 2nd Latin American Congress for the Advancement of Psychological Science (CLACIP2016) held in Buenos Aires, Argentina 12-15 October 2016. Ezequiel Benito, Past President and Executive Director for the Association for the Advancement of Psychological Science led the congress. Professor Pam Maras was delighted to attend the congress as her first activity since becoming IUPsyS President-Elect in July. CLACIP2016 brought together 876 participants from 14 countries in Latin America, Europe, UK and the US, with 40% coming from outside Argentina. A total of 470 national and international speakers contributed to the congress in 30 symposia, three frontier sessions and 29 thematic sessions.

The main aim of the congress was to strengthen the discipline of psychology. Activities to this end included policy sessions and working groups. A key event at the congress was a leadership meeting of presidents and directors of Latin America psychological organisations and representatives from international psychology organisations, including IUPsyS. This meeting and the congress were good examples of psychology leadership successfully working together. The meeting achieved consensus on the principles underpinning organisational structures of psychology associations in Latin America and on dimensions, variables and indicators that might be used to generate organisational profiles of psychology associations in the region.

CLACIP2016 leadership will circulate an organisational review template in the next few months. As the world's leading organisation for psychology IUPsyS is committed to supporting capacity building focused on the development of psychology in regions across the world. Professor Maras said about her visit: "The success of the congress and leadership meeting held at it, are evidence of the importance and vibrancy of psychology in Latin America and the regional commitment to the continued development and growth of psychological science and its applications".



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News from National Members and Affiliates

IN MEMORIAM: PROFESSOR MILOSLAV ŠOLC

Dear Colleagues and Friends

It is with greatest sadness that we have to inform you that the former President and current Vice-President of the Czech Union of Psychologist Associations (a member of EFPA), Miloslav Šolc, passed away on Monday, 19 September 2016. It was unexpected news and we all remember his highly visible and considerable contribution at ICP 2016 in Yokohama, Japan this summer.



Miloslav Šolc was a long-time leader, not only of the Czech Union of Psychologist Associations, but the entire Czech psychology discipline, to which he contributed in developing international contacts and cooperation. He actively built the respectable position of Czech psychology in Europe and the world. It was he who personally led Czech psychology towards the preparation and execution of the European Congress of Psychology held in Prague in 2007. The Congress was a successful and memorable event, and Czech psychology was encouraged and enriched through this experience.

Miloslav Šolc was also the key person in many other Czech psychology endeavors in recent years and it was he who lead Czech psychology towards further goals. He initiated the World Psychological Forum in 2015 in Prague, prepared the World Psychological Forum that will be held in Brno in 2017, and it is thanks to him that Prague will host the 32nd International Congress of Psychology in 2020. Miloslav Šolc was an excellent psychologist, exceptional leader, an outstanding President and Vice-President of the Czech Union of Psychologist Associations, but first of all a great colleague and friend.

We will all miss his commitment, courage and wisdom, his warmth and his supportiveness, as well as his tireless drive and his far-reaching vision. Miloslav Šolc will be missed both as a colleague and as a friend, but he will live on in the memory of all those who had the honor and the pleasure to know him. May he rest in peace.

Daniel Heller, President

Czech-Moravian Psychological Society

CHINESE PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY HOLDS 1ST INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

The Chinese Psychological Society (CPS) held its 19th Annual Conference in Xi'an, China, from 15th to 16th October, 2016. CPS and the conference host, Shaanxi Normal University, organized an international symposium on "Psychology and the Belt and Road Initiative" during the conference. China's "Belt and Road Initiative" is to strengthen economic relations between China and the countries along the land and maritime Silk Road.

The ancient city of Xi'an is regarded as a starting point of the land Silk Road, and CPS believes that psychologists can play a role in such a multiple connection among psychologists of the neighboring countries of the Belt and this Road. Representatives from the Russian, Indian, Pakistani and Mongolian psychological associations participated in the symposium. IUPsyS and the APA also participated, witnessing the very first international symposium ever held during the CPS Annual Conference.



Presenters and the Chairperson of the International Academic Symposium
of CPS2016 annual conference.

Foreign guests were warmly welcomed by the Governor of Shaanxi Province, who expressed his ideas and appreciation of psychology, thanked IUPsyS for its support of psychology in China, and confirmed continuous support to a network of psychologists among the Belt and Road neighboring countries. In the roundtable discussions during the international symposium, the various presenters spoke of their experiences, finding common ground in research and service, which CPS could build upon.



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The possibility of future collaboration coincided with a key IUPsyS goal of psychology serving humanity not only in mental health and wellbeing but also creating better understanding of behavior at local, national, regional and global levels. By taking advantage of "The Belt and Road Initiative", Chinese psychologists are committed to work with their counterparts in neighboring countries, as well as in other parts of the world, to pursue the general goal of psychology serving humanity.



Group photo of Shaanxi Province Officials, CPS leaders and the participants of "The Belt and Road Initiative" International Symposium;

TAIWANESE PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (TPA)

The newly admitted IUPsyS National Member, the Taiwanese Psychological Association (TPA), was founded in 1961 with its headquarter based in Taipei. The TPA is the oldest academic association in the local psychology community in Taiwan's history. Upholding the objective of research in psychology, the Taiwanese Psychological

Association engages in research, data collection, and publication of psychology books and periodicals; communication with domestic and foreign psychology institutions; and other related matters. The Taiwanese Psychological Association connects to all organizations of academic or social importance for psychologists in Taiwan. The Taiwanese Psychological Association is organised by 11 divisions, including six psychology study groups which are: 1) Clinical Psychology; 2) Industrial and Organizational Psychology, 3) Developmental Psychology, 4) Educational Psychology, 5) Social and Personality Psychology, and 6) Experimental and Cognitive Psychology, to promote more exchange among members within similar fields. There are three committees, namely the Public Affairs Committee, the International Exchange Committee, and the Ethics Committee. In order to facilitate



Taiwanese Psychological Association hosts the Taiwanese Psychological Association Annual Convention and International Convention, and publishes the quarterly Chinese Journal of Psychology.

The Taiwanese Psychological Association Annual Convention and International Convention is an important event for psychology in Taiwan. For many years, it has been a major convention that promotes exchange, presentations, and the sharing of domestic and international research, as well as providing a stage for university and psychology-related communities to present and share academic results. Initiated in 1962, the Taiwanese Psychological Association Annual Convention and International Convention has now been held on 55 occasions with different themes for each annual meeting. The event facilitates conversations between international and domestic research on psychology, provides and overview of contemporary trends in psychological research, and examines the contribution of psychology to society. The annual meeting fosters cross-field collaboration and encourages future development and creativity in psychological research.

Since 1973, the Chinese Journal of Psychology has invited contributions and publishes quarterly throughout the year. As a leading psychology journal in Taiwan, the Chinese Journal of Psychology has received various journal awards and as of 2000, it has been included in the Taiwan Social Sciences Citation Index (TSSCI) list. To find out more about the TPA please visit: <http://www.psy.ntu.edu.tw/cpa/> or like the TPA on facebook: www.facebook.com/taiwanpsy



2015 Taiwanese Psychological Association Annual Convention and International Convention: Dr. Hsueh-Chih Chen, TPA's President, delivering his keynote address.



Forum at the 2015 Taiwanese Psychological Association Annual Convention and International Convention



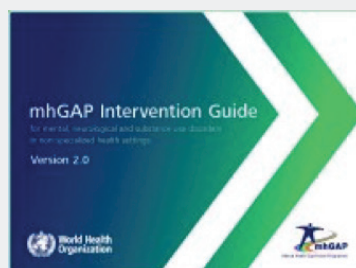
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World Mental Health Organization



WHO Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP)

Mental, neurological, and substance use disorders are common in all regions of the world, affecting every community and age group across all income countries. While 14% of the global burden of disease is attributed to these disorders, most of the people affected - 75% in many low-income countries - do not have access to the treatment they need. The WHO Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) aims at scaling up services for mental, neurological and substance use disorders, especially in low- and middle-income countries. This year's mhGAP Forum was held from 10-11 October 2016 in Geneva and provided an opportunity for a diverse group of stakeholders to discuss a variety of themes on the implementation of WHO's Mental Health Action Plan 2013-2020 and related topics. Several resources are available online to help reduce the mental health treatment gap and to enhance the capacity of Member States to respond to the large burden of mental, neurological and substance use disorders. For more information, see: http://www.who.int/mental_health/mhgap/en/



World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day is celebrated annually on 10 October and is a day for global mental health education, awareness and advocacy. It was first celebrated in 1992 at the initiative of the World Federation for Mental Health (<http://wfmh.com/>), a global mental health organisation with members and contacts in many countries.

On this day, each October, thousands of supporters observe an annual awareness program to bring attention to Mental Illness and its major effects on people's lives worldwide. The theme of this year's World Mental Health Day is "Psychological First Aid". Efforts focus on improving awareness and understanding of Psychological First Aid and how this can be used following crisis events to support people in distress. World Mental Health Day provides an opportunity for people and organizations working on mental health issues to talk about their work, and what more needs to be done to make mental health care a reality for people worldwide. For more information, see: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2016/mental-health-day/en/>

International Council for Science



ICSU & ISSC Decide to Merge

An extraordinary joint General Assembly of the International Council for Science (ICSU) and the International Social Science Council (ISSC) was convened on Monday 24 October in Oslo, Norway. This important event took place in the context of discussions on achieving closer institutional alignment between the ISSC and ICSU. At this landmark joint General Assembly of the leading international science councils, their members voted overwhelmingly to merge, launching a process to form a single global entity that represents all social and natural sciences by October 2018. For the plans to go ahead, the majority of both councils' voting members needed to vote in favour. 76% of the ICSU members and 87% of the ISSC members voted in favour of a merger of the two organizations, thereby setting the merger process in motion. This vote was an in-principle agreement to merge the two councils, and to establish a Transition Task Force to develop detailed transition plans, including legal requirements, new statutes and governance structures for the merged organization. The Task Force proposal will be put to a vote during a follow-up joint meeting of ICSU and ISSC members on 25-26 October 2017 immediately after the 32nd ICSU General Assembly in Taipei. If the two organizations' members endorse these plans, the transition will be implemented and overseen by the ISSC and ICSU executives, with a founding General Assembly of the new organization tentatively planned for October 2018.



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IUPsyS is a disciplinary member of both organizations. President-Elect Maras participated in all three meetings. President Cooper gave a presentation on behalf of the ICSU/ISSC Merger Working Group to the joint GA, and actively participated in the ISSC GA as it's Vice-President for Information and Communications Outreach. He was appointed to the Transition Task Force. The ISSC convened a timely conference - "On the Move: Global migrations, challenges & responses" - on 26 October at the University of Oslo that attracted experts in the area as well as post-doctoral fellows. For more information on the merger, see: <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/news/top-news/world2019s-top-bodies-representing-the-social-and-natural-sciences-vote-to-pursue-a-merger-forming-a-single-organization-representing-all-social-and-natural-sciences-by-2018>

International Council for Science and UNESCO to Collaborate on Science Advice

The International Council for Science (ICSU) and UNESCO have formalised a partnership on one of the fastest growing areas of public science endeavor – the provision of science advice for public policy. In a ceremony at the residence of the New Zealand Ambassador to the European Union, Flavia Schlegel, UNESCO's Assistant Director-General for Natural Sciences and Heide Hackmann, Executive Director of ICSU, signed an agreement committing the two agencies to:

- Assist countries with the development and/or strengthening of advisory systems, particularly in the developing world;
- Enable improved dialogue between scientific and policy communities, with linkages between research programmes and policy needs;
- Provide a forum for policy makers, practitioners, national academies and academics to develop and enhance approaches to the use of scientific evidence in informing policy at all levels of government;

This collaboration will be operationalized through the International Network of Global Science Advice (INGSA), which operates under the auspices of ICSU. For more information, see: <http://www.icsu.org/news-centre/news/top-news/international-council-for-science-and-unesco-to-collaborate-on-science-advice>



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International Social Science Council



Launch of the World Social Science Report 2016



The World Social Science Report 2016, Challenging Inequalities: Pathways to a Just World was published on 22 September. This publication was launched at a public event in Stockholm, Sweden, which was joined by Report co-director Melissa Leach, and two of the Report authors, Naila Kabeer and Bo Rothstein, for a thought-provoking discussion in the surroundings of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. The Report focuses on the critical issues of inequalities and social justice and warns that unchecked inequities could jeopardize the sustainability of economies, societies and communities, undermining efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. It highlights significant gaps in social science data about inequalities in different parts of the world and, to support progress towards more inclusive societies, calls for more robust research into the links between economic inequalities and disparities in areas such as gender, education and health.

For more information, see: <http://www.worldsocialscience.org/2016/10/launch-world-social-science-report-2016-stockholm/>

To download the Report, see: <http://en.unesco.org/wssr2016>