



WORK GROUP - INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES OF PSYCHOLOGY

TERMS OF REFERENCE

PURPOSE

To outline the Terms of Reference for the Work Group on International Congresses of Psychology.

BACKGROUND

IUPsyS Statutes and Rules of Procedure, Article 6 - The objectives of the Union shall be as follows:

- To organise the International Congresses of Psychology

The Work Group on International Congresses of Psychology, therefore, aims to foster the development of the science and profession of psychology through supporting and advising the Executive Committee and the International Congress of Psychology President on the organisation of International Congresses of Psychology.

COMPOSITION

To be determined.

APPOINTMENT AND TERM

IUPsyS Statutes and Rules of Procedure, Article 19(f) - The duties and powers of the Executive Committee shall be:

- To appoint members of the Standing Committees and to establish and appoint members to Committees and Work Groups.

IUPsyS Statutes and Rules of Procedure, Article 21(c) - The duties and powers of the President shall be:

- To appoint Chairs of Committees and Work Groups in consultation with the Secretary-General.

The Term shall commence from the start of a new quadrennium, and the term shall last for a three-year period.

ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACTIVITIES

- To serve an advisory role to the Executive Committee in the fulfilment of its responsibilities as reflected in the *IUPsyS Statutes and Rules of Procedure, Article 19(c)*- the duties and powers of the Executive Committee shall be to monitor the progress on the organization of International Congresses of Psychology and other activities conducted under the auspices of the Union.
- To provide support to the Executive Committee, International Congress of Psychology President and the Congress Organising Committee on the form, structure and content of the International Congresses of Psychology ensuring that the Congresses align with the Union's Mission, Strategic Plan and caters to the diverse needs of IUPsyS Membership.
- To develop alternative models (i.e., structure), in collaboration with international experts, for the International Congresses of Psychology to maximise their relevant



outcomes, impact and reinforce cohesion on the subject.

- To develop a leadership program for each International Congress of Psychology which engages with issues of common interest to national, regional, international leaders.
- To develop mechanisms to ensure that the IUPsyS vision and mission are embedded into each International Congress of Psychology.
- To develop all the International Congresses of Psychology policies, guidelines, protocols, including a manual manual, including guidelines for conference structure, critical paths, innovations etc.
- To advise on all matters regarding each International Congress of Psychology, including contractual arrangements, marketing etc.
- To provide assistance in the development of the conference theme, if required, to Congress organisers.
- To engage relevant international experts regarding the development and organisation of each International Congress of Psychology , reinforcing the cohesion of the subject. (How to translate the concept of the model into specific objects/outputs (execution)
- Current issues that might not be subsumed in the motto. (e.g., Ukraine, crises)
- To meet to discuss matters related to the International Congresses of Psychology with the Executive Committee, International Congress of Psychology President, and Organising Committee and with the frequency of meetings to be determined.
- To take minutes of meetings which shall form part of the reports submitted to the Officers and Executive Committee.
- To document the Union's Congress history and practices, in collaboration with the International Congresses of Psychology Liaison to inform the development of the International Congresses of Psychology.
- Develop mechanisms to support the International Congresses of Psychology Conference Organising Committee.

MANDATE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE IUPsyS OFFICERS

The Work Group will be responsible for the above activities and shall report to the IUPsyS Officers on a three-monthly basis.

REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

This Terms of Reference is effective as of July 12, 2023 and shall be reviewed to ensure its effectiveness and relevance.