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Conference Announcements

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27th Annual Conference of the Association for Applied Sport Psychology

3-6 October 2012

Atlanta, GA, US

2012 Conference Theme: Interdisciplinary Relationships within the Scientist-Practitioner Model

As in the past, we are requesting that authors emphasize the scientist-practitioner perspective in their abstracts and during their presentations. This involves an identification of the reciprocal relationships among theory, research, and interventions/practice. For example, theory-based empirical research presentations should draw the link to the applied implications of the research findings. Similarly, presentations that feature applied interventions and practice should clarify the relationship with current theory and research. This year, we are also requesting that abstract submissions promote an interdisciplinary focus within the field of sport and exercise psychology.
Interdisciplinary relationships and the science-practice relationship can be further emphasized through the use of session moderators, symposia discussants, and workshop facilitators that can highlight these themes and connections. Although these components are not required for acceptance, submissions that include an interdisciplinary approach and the scientist-practitioner perspective will be given preference. Submitting authors also should include supporting, published peer-reviewed literature in their abstract submissions.

Visit the website for more information
http://appliedsportpsych.org/Conference/Highlights/
I'm profoundly honoured to chair the 3rd International Conference on Education and Educational Psychology and take pleasure in inviting you—research students, academics, educators and educational psychologists from around the world—to attend the conference. I should never forget the committed team of the ICEEPSY Scientific Committee & Board of Reviewers who are, in the main, working with me to make the 2012 conference another resounding success following the tradition of the previous ICEEPSY conferences.

The International Conference on Education and Educational Psychology 2012 will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, October 10th - 13th, 2012. This conference will not only build on the success of the previous ICEEPSY conferences but will seek to raise the bar in international exchange of ideas, collaborations and cooperation among academics, educators and educational psychologists and other practitioners.

The 2012 conference will provide unrivalled opportunities for participants to rub minds and bounce off ideas with each other. It will seek to facilitate the discussion including the challenges on education and educational psychology internationally providing a forum for scientific debate and constructive interaction in a multi cultural social environment such as Istanbul. The conference will provide a platform for educators, teachers, researchers, research students and practitioners to present their work; to exchange knowledge, ideas and experience and will identify solutions to existing challenges worldwide known in education and educational psychology. Doctoral candidates are also explicitly invited to present and discuss their research ideas and work in progress.

The ICEEPSY 2012 Scientific Committee and Board of Reviewers have expanded the conference themes for 2012 and have provided added features including pre-conference continuous professional development workshops, poster presentations, and Special Interest Group (SIG) symposiums. To this end, the ICEEPSY 2012 Scientific Committee and Board of Reviewers welcomes papers from the following and related topics: Special Education, Education and Technology, ICT, Distance Learning, Effective Teaching Practices, Assessment and Evaluation, Quality Assurance and Institutional Effectiveness, Leadership and Collaborative Policy, Adult and Continuing Education, Vocational and Technical Education, Lifelong Learning, Higher Education, Teaching and Learning, Learning Theories, Models of Teaching, Guidance and Counseling Psychology (Educational Psychology), Early Years Education, Intercultural Education, and Equity, Learner Diversity and Inclusion.
ICEEPSY 2011 attracted over 350 abstracts and papers from participants - colleagues and professionals - from 49 countries from across the world. As with previous conferences, abstracts from the 2012 conference will be published by ICEEPSY and a full text of papers will be provided by Elsevier in the ICEEPSY 2012 Proceedings.

ICEEPSY 2011 conference in Istanbul was a huge success and ICEEPSY 2012 promises to be another high quality event. Istanbul is a special city and one-time European Capital of Culture city with its position as a bridge between Europe and Asia - the Western part of the city is in Europe, and the Eastern is in Asia. The city's hugely important historic buildings provide visitors with a great lot to see. I hope that the accessibility of the conference venue and its proximity to the city's major attractions provides additional reason to attend.

I personally look forward to meeting up with colleagues and friends—old and new—in Istanbul in October 10th 2012.

Dr James Ogunleye, FRSA

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http://www.icepsy.org
Is Self an Illusion? – This, our title of the 35th Annual Conference of the Psychology of the Self, challenges presenters and participants to re-focus on a central thrust of Heinz Kohut's inspiring contributions. Exploration begins with the pre-conference, multiple morning sessions that relate self to modes of creativity. The unique afternoon session master class traces the creation and early development of the sense of self with others. Then each of the four panels approaches the puzzles of "self" from a different standpoint, each considering the questions as they apply to clinical practice and theoretical understanding. Plenary 1 considers how to reconcile the multiplicity of experiential states with a sense of a cohesive self. Plenary 2 considers how to reconcile a patient's goal to achieve self-autonomy (an independent center for initiative) with the sense of embeddedness in a relational world. Plenary 3 asks: What are the sources of leverage for therapeutic change in the sense of self? In Plenary 4, four of our philosopher colleagues complete the circle of our inquiry as they use their expertise to consider: What is meant by self? In addition we are honored to have two major pioneer contributors to the development of Self Psychology: Russell Meares as the Keynote Speaker and Estelle Shane as the Kohut Memorial Lecturer.

2012 Conference Chair: Joseph Lichtenberg, MD

Visit the website for more information
http://www.iapsp.org/conference/
5th Annual European Public Health Conference 2012

8-10 November 2012

Portomaso, St. Julian’s, Malta

The European Public Health Association (EUPHA), the Association of Schools of Public Health in the European Region (ASPHER) and the Malta Association of Public Health Medicine (MAPHM) are pleased to invite you to the 5th joint conference combining the 20th annual EUPHA meeting and 34th annual ASPHER meeting.

The European Public Health Conference aims to contribute to the improvement of public health in Europe by offering a means for exchanging information and a platform for debate to researchers, policy makers, and practitioners in the field of public health and health services research as well as public health training and education in Europe.

Visit the website for more information
http://www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php
11th Congress of World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation

10-13 November 2012

Milan, Italy

The 11th Congress of World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation has the aims to present and discuss innovative ideas and practices in the treatment and care of severe mental disorders and related disabilities. The congress title – Change thinking, change practices, change services – refers to the deep scientific and practical crisis of psychiatry, faced everyday with hard challenges going beyond the boundaries of a medical discipline and raising political, social, ethical and scientific questions.

The need to base psychiatric interventions on scientific evidence on one hand and practical needs and rights of users and families’ rights on the other hand, calls for important changes in psychiatric knowledge, in practices and in the services offered to patients. Psychosocial rehabilitation, as usual in mental health care, is at the crossroads where of scientific rigor meets ethical commitment and the ability to give technically adequate, satisfying, fair answers to people’s suffering.

For these reasons, the congress will address three broad areas of interest:

Scientific knowledge and need for enhanced consistency between practice and evidence. Research needs to find new routes either in its aims and methods. The congress will therefore look into involving users in formulating research hypotheses, trans-cultural aspects of research, and new prospects opened up by the most recent findings on resilience and recovery.

Practice, innovative interventions and effects on organization of services. Interventions must be prompt and effective and involve primary health services, as well as promoting community networks, and respond to challenges from the most vulnerable and marginal parts of the populations. Congress topics will therefore include diagnosis and early treatment, rehabilitation and community care, social networks and employment strategies.

Ethics, users’ and families’ advocacy, and empowerment of users. The relations between human rights and psychosocial rehabilitations will be discussed, and users will talk about their empowerment experiences. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will be a basic reference.

The Congress has a WAPR Scientific Committee, presided by WAPR President Lourdes Ladrido Ignacio and an International Advisory Committee including experts from various disciplines representing different socio-economic and cultural settings, and balanced by gender and geographical area.
I am confident that the 11th WAPR World Congress will give a meaningful and innovative contribution to the global debate on mental health, its social determinants, and the fairest and most effective ways to meet the needs of people with psychosocial disabilities.

Benedetto Saraceno

Chairman of the International Advisory Committee

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http://www.wapr2012.org/
54th International Conference on Alcohol and Addiction

12-16 November 2012

Montreal, Canada

In Montreal, high calibre experts from all over the world will address the following themes in plenary sessions.

2. One Hundred Years of International Conventions – Where Next?
6. Recovery Movements and the World of Treatment.
8. Issues for Women in Substance Use.
10. Social Media and New Technologies in the Interests of Public Health or Commerce?

And many more major sessions and sections' sessions in the fields of prevention, treatment, policy and research.

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