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ICP2020: REPRESENT YOUR COUNTRY AT THE ICP2020!

BY: MARTINA KLICPEROVÁ-BAKER, CHAIR OF THE ICP 2020 SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

On behalf of the ICP Scientific Committee, let me invite you to Prague. Preparations for the Prague ICP2020 are in the full swing. The Czech team, its Organizing and Scientific Committees, are busy finding the best speakers with a diverse representation of the world of psychological science. We have formed a Scientific Committee representing over 40 thematic areas for the ICP2020 scientific program. Each section now has a corresponding working group, a mini-team of experts (some of which you can see in the photo below), who will recruit speakers from around the world. Make sure that your field, your nation, your institution, and you are not missing at the Congress!



Please mark your calendars. Prague, Czech Republic is looking forward to having you at the ICP, July 19-24, 2020. In the meantime, please keep an eye on the website (www.icp2020.com) and follow us on Facebook for updates.



ICP2020 Scientific Committee

IN MEMORIAM: PROFESSOR BAME NSAMENANG

It is with great sadness that IUPsyS must announce the recent passing of Professor Bame Nsamenang, one of Africa's great psychologists. A doyen of developmental science, whose lifelong commitment to building a discipline responsive to the needs of all of the people of the world, he will be sorely mourned and missed by the global community of which he formed such a valued and respected part.

Born in Kumbo in 1961, Professor Nsamenang was a Professor of Psychology and Learning Science and Director of the Teachers College, University of Bamenda in Cameroon where he founded the Human Development Resource Centre, a privately-funded research and intervention facility mobilised to serve Africa's children and youth. It was in these roles that he dreamt



of bringing the power of truly Africentric psychological knowledge to bear on understanding the pervasive challenges facing and improving the lives of children in the majority world. Although, he delivered this knowledge in many forms it was perhaps best presented in his seminal book *Human Development in Cultural Context* (1992) in which he argued for the primacy of culture in accounting for important differences in the developmental paths of children - a foundational claim that set the tone for several globally significant contributions to inter-cultural and developmental psychology penned from this key scholar of the Global South. Professor Nsamenang also represented this 'Southern' constituency on several highly-visible, specialised societies within the discipline including as a member of the Executive Committee of the International Society for the Study of Social Behaviour (ISSD).

This intellectual presence foreshadowed Professor Nsamenang's eminent leadership of organised psychology both locally and across the African continent. Alongside several colleagues, he spearheaded the recent invigoration of psychology in Africa. He was the President of the Cameroon Psychological Association (CPA) and was President-Elect of the newly-formed Pan-African Psychological Union (PAPU).

In the build-up to the inaugural PAPU Congress held in Durban in September 2017, Professor Nsamenang called for the continued re-scoping of psychological science such that knowledge about the human developmental lifecycle better reflected the majority rather than selected wealthy minority of the world's inhabitants. Doing so, he insisted would require theorising new pathways to development that are "context-honed and culture-imbued" and grounded in the everyday lives of the majority world. Indeed, it was improving the everyday lives of the sizeable majority of the world's children and youth that preoccupied Professor Nsamenang, the formidable intellectual and committed humanist. It was a preoccupation that would have formed the cornerstone of his leadership of an African psychology in the service of humanity.

Global psychology has lost an extraordinary thinker and devoted practitioner. This global community will continue to honour Bame Nsamenang's life through an unwavering dedication to building the discipline and future world he saw and so dearly desired.

News from National Members and Affiliates

NIGERIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (NPA) GETS NEW LEADERSHIP

BY: MICHAEL ONYEKA EZENWA, PRESIDENT, NPA

A new executive council (EXCO) of the NPA, led by Prof Michael Onyeka Ezenwa as the President, was inaugurated on 09 November 2017 at Merit House Aguiyi Ironsi Street Maitama, Abuja. The event was the climax of the annual congress of the NPA. In his inaugural speech, Prof Ezenwa thanked the former executive council members led by Prof Andrew Zamani for their leadership and contributions to the growth of the NPA. He promised that the new executive council will improve on the achievements of the immediate past leadership and that the new EXCO will focus on four major areas:

1. membership drive, including establishment of a diaspora division of NPA
2. research and publications
3. promotion of psychology in the public interest
4. commitment to ethics and quality control in service delivery



New and former EXCO members, together with some fellows of the NPA. At the centre is the Mace Bearer Dr Philip Mefoh, Cice President; to his left is former President Prof Andrew Zamani and current President Prof Michael Ezenwa



Standing during the National Anthem at the Opening Ceremony of the 2017 NPA Congress
L-R: Prof Michael Ezenwa, NPA President; Prof Andrew Zamani, immediate Past President; and Michael Arinze Ezch, NPA Secretary-General

Professor Isidore Obot Pledges to Fund Public Image Study of Psychologists in Nigeria

Professor Isidore Obot, a former President of the NPA, has offered to sponsor N100,000 hundred thousand naira (about 274USD) towards research on what the Nigerian public thinks of regarding psychologists. He made the pledge at the 2017 NPA leadership summit held at Arcade Club and Suites, Abuja from 22-25 August 2017. It is hoped that the outcome of this study will help to appreciate the perception of psychologists in Nigeria and what needs to be done to improve or maintain a positive image due to the relationship of consumption of psychological services in the public domain in Nigeria and beyond.

NPA's New Website

The Nigerian Psychological Association has created a new website which may be viewed at: <https://npa.com.ng>

NPA-CAPIO Collaborative Capacity Building Workshop held in Enugu in December, 2017



Group photograph of the participants of the maiden edition of the NPA-CAPIO collaborative workshop

NPA Loses a Fellow

The Nigerian Psychological Association announces the demise of one of her prominent fellows Prof Ambrose Chendo Mbanefo, Ph.D. Prof. Ambrose Mbanefo, a Professor of industrial/organizational psychology at Nnamdi Azikiwe University Awka, Anambra State, Nigeria and fellow of Nigerian Psychological Association will be missed by his family, students, colleagues, league of fellows of the NPA and the NPA in general. His sense of humor, industry and insistence on standards will remain green in our memory as we wish him farewell.



Prof Ambrose Chendo Mbanefo

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RUSSIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The VII International Conference “Early Childhood Care and Education” (ECCE 2018) will take place in Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia, on 17th-19th May 2018. ECCE was inspired by the first ever World Conference on Early Childhood Care and Education organized by UNESCO in 2010 in Moscow. Since that time, the Conference is held annually. It has become one of the largest annual international conferences for the exchange of ideas through interdisciplinary dialogues among practitioners, teachers, psychologists, and policymakers in the sphere of child development and education.



The main aims of the Conference are: bringing the major issues of the early education and the prospects for further research in this field up for discussion; showcasing the latest studies in early education; and enhancing collaboration and network cooperation. Experts from over 30 countries will participate at the conference.

The organisers of the ECCE Conference are the Russian Psychological Society, Lomonosov Moscow State University and Moscow Academy of Preschool Education. ECCE is supported by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation, the World Bank, and the Commission of the Russian Federation for UNESCO.

This year special attention will be given to the understanding of modern digital childhood development. A special issue of the Psychology in Russia's quarterly journal (www.psychologyinrussia.com) will be devoted to this event.

For more information, see: <https://en.ecceconference.com>



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News from International Bodies

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



GLOBAL COORDINATION MECHANISM ON NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES

The last webinar in this series was held on 15 November 2007 and was webcast through WebEx. This webinar looked at the empowerment of women and girls through the integration of NCDs across the life course. For more information, and to download the recording, visit: <http://www.who.int/global-coordination-mechanism/news/2017-third-gender-webinar/en/>

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO HOST 2ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE COUNCIL

The 2nd General Assembly of the International Science Council (ISC) will be held in 2021 and provides an occasion for scientists from all disciplines to meet and engage in cross-disciplinary activities. The General Assembly is the highest authority of the ISC and meets in ordinary session once every three



years, at the invitation of one of its Members. The founding General Assembly of the ISC will meet in July 2018 in Paris, and the location of the 2021 General Assembly will be decided there. Invitations to host the 2nd General Assembly of the ISC in 2021 are now open. Expressions of interest to host the 2nd General Assembly of the Council should be received by the ICSU Secretariat by 09 April 2018 at the latest. For more information, see: <https://www.icsu.org/current/news/call-for-expressions-of-interest-to-host-the-2nd-general-assembly-of-the-international-science-council>

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NEXT BESTOWAL OF KLAUS J. JACOBS RESEARCH PRIZE IN 2019



In honour of its founder Klaus J. Jacobs, who passed away in 2008, the Jacobs Foundation has annually awarded a Research Prize since 2009. The Research Prize is endowed with 1 Million Swiss francs and acknowledges scientific work of high relevance to the development of children and young people. This year, the Jacobs Foundation will commemorate the 10th anniversary of the bereavement of its founder with 10 special prizes to social innovators in the field of child and youth development. Each prize will come with an amount of 100'000 Swiss francs. The Klaus J. Jacobs Research Prize will be awarded again in 2019 and the call for nominations for the Research Prize opens in January 2019. For more information, see: <https://jacobsfoundation.org/en/awards/>