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Dear Readers

Welcome to Issue 8 of the ISP Newsletter. We hope that the 2009 – 2010 academic year has gotten off to a great start for you. The Michaelmas term was a busy one for ISP staff and students, with colleagues managing to squeeze in an enormous amount over the last few months.

It can be hard to keep up to date with all the achievements and goings on at the Institute, so we hope that this newsletter provides some informative reading over the term break. The editorial team picture you reading the ISPN with a nice cup of tea (or perhaps some glühwein or eggnog), and sitting back with a smile as you reflect on all the activities that have kept people busy since summer. We hope that you feel proud that you are part of such a vibrant Institute within the LSE.

Thanks as always to those of you who contributed to this edition of the ISPN – without you the newsletter wouldn't happen. From all the editorial team we send our very best wishes for the New Year, and hope that 2010 brings continued success for all at the Institute.

Your editors,

Carlos Bruen

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Cathy Vaughan

## Three new doctors!

The Michaelmas term was a highly successful one for the Institute's PhD program, with the graduation of three students. We would like to offer our congratulations to **Dr Morten Skovdal**, **Dr Parisa Dashtipour**, and the ISPN's own **Dr Stavroula Tsirogianni**.

We join with their supervisors in paying tribute:

### Dr Morten Skovdal

*From Prof Cathy Campbell:*

It is with great pride and pleasure that I congratulate **Dr Morten Skovdal** on his PhD. Morten came to us with an MSc from the Institute of Child Health at University College London, to study for a doctorate entitled 'Young carers in western Kenya: collective struggles and coping strategies'. With my doctoral programme director's hat on, Morten is the first in our new streamlined PhD system to complete his thesis within three years. This on its own would have been an amazing achievement, but he has done much more besides this over these three years.

Whilst he was doing his PhD Morten also published six papers in strong academic journals, including one in Social Science and Medicine, the most frequently cited journal in the social sciences. This is a strong achievement for a PhD student. He also successfully completed his Post-Graduate Certificate of Education, and achieved top teaching ratings in his student teaching evaluations.

In addition to this, he found time to set up, raise funding and run an NGO in Western Kenya, which uses state-of-the-art child led approaches to help communities support HIV/AIDS-affected children (<http://www.wvpkenya.org.uk>). He has also raised money for scholarships to enable 420 Kenyan AIDS orphans to attend school. He also did a big and time-consuming consultancy for the World Bank, evaluating the impact of a community-based cash transfer initiative across 13 districts in Kenya.

Morten's work is having a powerful influence on research and policy in his field in southern Africa, and he has been identified as a key rising star in the field of child community health. Supervising him has been a great privilege. I have learned more from working with him than I can say. He is a wonderful person who combines a sharp academic mind with exceptional emotional intelligence and a strong sense of social justice. Together with a remarkable capacity for hard work! He also has an exceptional ability to see the implications of academic findings for policy and intervention. We all wish him well in what I have no doubt will be an important career in the fields of academia, philanthropy and social development.



*Cathy Campbell congratulating Morten at the end of year Christmas party*

## Dr Parisa Dashtipour

*From Dr Caroline Howarth:*



I am utterly delighted to be able to congratulate **Dr Parisa Dashtipour** on her recent very successful PhD viva! It has been a real pleasure getting to know Parisa, through supervising her

together with Derek Hook. I first knew Parisa as an MSc student – and was impressed by her eagerness to take on difficult and contentious issues in her academic work. Her MSc research report examined the possibilities for resistance for Iranian Swedish women. This work really developed Parisa's very thorough and intellectually sensitive approach to theorising the connections between identity, representation and resistance.

In her PhD she has developed a theory of resistance that connects identity, resistance and Lacanian psychoanalysis. Her PhD examiners recognised the quality and originality of her thesis (passing it with no corrections, a great achievement), and they saw that this makes a significant contribution to our understanding of racism and antiracism. In addition, Parisa's work is also innovative in terms of methods: her data consisted solely of the Swedish anti-racist magazine, Gringo; in her ambition to challenge the individualism of much of the work on racism (and indeed much Social Psychology) at the levels of theory *and* methodology, her approach to data was thoroughly original in that it proposes the construction and contestation of racism as essentially collaborative.

Supervising Parisa has been very rewarding. Her PhD thesis demands a re-engagement with the social in quite a radical way that

depicts the *psyche* was fundamentally social and cultural. She deserves a bright future in academia and I wish her all the best in securing this.

## Dr Stavroula Tsirogianni

*From Dr Jan Stockdale:*

Although not Stavroula's supervisor – that honour falls to George Gaskell – I am privileged to be asked to congratulate **Dr Stavroula Tsirogianni** on her doctorate on behalf of the Institute.

Stavroula's PhD thesis entitled 'Social Values in Context: a Study of the European Knowledge Society' is a valuable contribution to understanding how social values align with changing patterns of economic development, work and quality of life in the European knowledge society. However, in my view, it is more than that. It is a tribute to Stavroula's enthusiasm, commitment and generosity of spirit – you have only to read Stavroula's page of acknowledgments to all her friends, mentors and, not least, her partner Yannis – to realise the extent of Stavroula's friendship network and open-heartedness.

So, as well as congratulating Stavroula on her academic success and her teaching ability, which I have had the good fortune to witness at first hand, I would like to place on record her excellence at cooking – her spanakopita and dolmades are to die for - her ability to share ideas, everyday concerns, often over a glass of wine or two – and, most important of all, her enjoyment of life. I shall miss her bubbly





presence in St Clements but wish her every success in the future.

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## Workshops, projects and new adventures

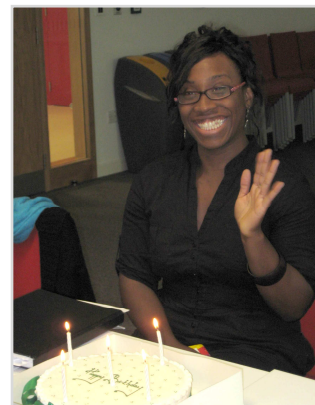
In July **Cathy Campbell**, **Susan Rifkin** and **Morten Skovdal** co-facilitated a workshop with Captain Consulting for delegates from community development projects in Nigeria. The workshop sought to work with stakeholders in social development projects to identify, analyse and overcome challenges that participants may encounter as they work with community groups in Nigerian rural development projects in Niger and Edo State. An initial training in Abuja, Nigeria was followed by the workshop at ISP. Participants had the opportunity to discuss with these leading academics the relevance of participatory approaches to development activities and particularly their own work in Nigeria.



**Cathy Campbell** and **Flora Cornish** (from Glasgow Caledonian University) recently hosted a small international workshop at the LSE as the culmination of their ESRC-DFID research grant focusing on the drivers of two very successful sex worker led participatory health projects in India. The workshop – entitled ‘Creating contexts for successful community-led health interventions’ – brought together a vibrant group of international researchers from around the world to discuss

Gambia, Kenya and Papua New Guinea.

Papers also focused on the impacts of the current global funding architecture, as well as the frequent lack of fit between the conceptual frameworks preferred by well-meaning western donors, and the realities of poor peoples' lives in very different non-western contexts. Papers examined the relational, material and symbolic influences on the outcomes of community health programmes, seeking to develop models that map out links between the micro-local, national and global levels of analysis. A number of HCD masters and doctoral students were included amongst participants (**Andy Gibbs**, **Rochelle Burgess**, **Alice Clarfelt**, **Kerry Scott**, **Jenevieve Mannell**, **Morten Skovdal** and **Cathy Vaughan**). Cathy (Campbell) and Flora are currently editing submissions from this meeting for a special edition of the journal *AIDS Care*.



The meeting coincided with Rochelle Burgess's 27th birthday, which was enthusiastically celebrated with a sticky and delicious green and white birthday cake.

**Caroline Howarth** has recently taken over as the editor of *Papers on Social Representations*, an online international peer-reviewed journal and is working on a special issue on *Social Representations and Social Identities – Inspirations from Gerard Duveen*. Part of Caroline's motivation in taking on the journal is in tribute to Gerard and his gift for

encouraging students and researchers to really think carefully, to debate from a scholarly position and to learn from listening to each other. He was a great mentor to Caroline from her early undergraduate days and he is sorely missed by many of us. For further details on the journal, please see:

<http://www.psych.lse.ac.uk/psr/>

**Caroline** is also actively involved in *FUROR: Advancing social-cultural psychology in Europe*. This consists of an exciting research network with participants from Denmark, Cyprus, France, Switzerland, Serbia, UK and US. The network met in the summer in Switzerland to present and discuss the future of social-cultural psychology as we define it. This was organized and generously supported by Tania Zittoun and Anne-Nelly Perret-Clermont.

Kesi Mahendran (Open University) has brought together a group of researchers developing different theoretical and methodological approaches to dialogue, intra-culturalism and migration (mainly from Sweden, Ireland and the UK), including **Caroline Howarth**. The *MMIIDA – Migration, Multiculturalism, Integration and Identity – Dialogical Approaches* group had their first workshop in November 2009, where Susan Condor gave an impressive paper on *The Culture of Prejudice*.

**Soydan Soydu** has been offered admission to Harvard University as a visiting fellow in affiliation with the Department of Psychology for the spring term of 2010. Commencing January 2010, he will join the lab of Prof. Jim Sidanius and will work with him to explore the relation between social dominance orientation and bullying at work.

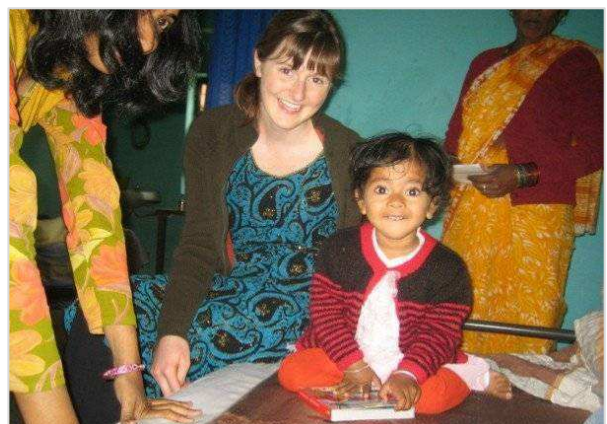
From January through March 2010 **Branwyn Poleykett** will be doing an ESRC internship at the House of Commons Scrutiny Unit. More information about the work of the Scrutiny Unit can be found at:

[http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\\_committees/scrutinyunit/aboutus.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/scrutinyunit/aboutus.cfm).

**Kerry Scott** from the HCD research group has just completed an eight month internship in Pune, India with a health advocacy NGO called SATHI (Support for Advocacy and Training to Health Initiatives), an active participant in the Indian branch of the Peoples' Health Movement. Kerry has been involved in evaluating two key programs: SATHI's community health worker training and support program and its community based monitoring (CBM) of health services program. SATHI uses innovative teaching methods to train semi-literate rural women to provide basic curative health services and information to their peers. These community health workers work to improve access to health care by encouraging clinic attendance, particularly for maternity services. The CBM program enables rural people to monitor the state of their local public health system and help plan locally relevant health activities, primarily by completing a village health report card. Kerry is returning to SATHI as a consultant for another six month term in 2010.



Kerry at work with SATHI in Pune, India



## Health, Community and Development Research Group seminar series

**Kerry Scott** recently took six weeks off from her work in India to conduct a hospital ethnography study of the patient-nurse interface in eastern Zimbabwe, as part of a research project by Cathy Campbell and colleagues at Imperial College. In addition to observation in clinics, field research involved focus groups and interviews with HIV positive people taking antiretroviral therapy (ART) and the nurses who provide their care. ART patients were invited to discuss changing attitudes towards HIV in their communities, challenges associated with living positively and adhering to ART, the strategies used to cope with these challenges and their interactions with health staff. Nurses discussed their role in supporting HIV patients and what they, in turn, require to provide the best care. Final reports are in process.

As part of her doctoral research, **Rochelle Burgess**, new doctoral student at the ISP, and HCD masters student from the class of 2007-08, will be completing a qualitative bolt on study for the *Caring for Children Project*. The longitudinal survey of children and their caregivers in AIDS impacted communities is a collaborative research study between the Universities of Brown, Oxford, Kwa-Zulu Natal, Cape Town, and Witswatersand; The South African Departments of Health, Social development, Education and agriculture; Cape Town Child welfare and the Health Economics and HIV/AIDS Research Division (HEARD). As part of Rochelle's doctoral work she will complete an analysis of mental health service environments of two communities in Durban, Kwa Zulu Natal. Through a mapping of the experiences of adult caregivers of AIDS orphans with mental health service sectors in both formal and informal settings, she will ultimately provide a series of policy recommendations to the departments of health and social development on potential approaches to mental health treatment programming.

This term, the **HCD group** hosted multiple visitors from outside the department as part of our seminar series.

Our first visit was from **John Crail**, former HCD student and Himmelwelt prize winner 2006-2007. His talk on the influences of oral health on broader health issues, and as a neglected health issue, was well received by ISP students.



The series continued in November with a talk given by **Prof. Susan Rifkin**, new Senior Research Fellow at the ISP. Susan's presentation 'Paradigm Shifts in Primary Health Care' was the first following her appointment to the ISP, and was well attended by HCD students, research students and staff members who welcomed her to the Institute. The seminar series concluded the term with a special discussion session held in December by Patrick Iregura and Serge Rwigamba, human rights educators and Rwandan genocide survivors. As part of their Annual Fund sponsored visit to the LSE, Serge and Patrick spoke about their personal stories and experiences of the genocide, and the challenges survivors in Rwanda face post-genocide. The seminar ended with an interactive discussion with the audience, and presented a unique opportunity for ISP staff, students, and affiliated departments to engage with these very special visitors to the LSE.



## Conferences and presentations

In a busy term, **Martin Bauer** gave a key note lecture on *Public understanding of science and the attribution of ecological competence of science*, at the Hiroshima University workshop 'Public Understanding of Science and Sustainable Development', in Hiroshima, Japan on 7 September 2009. Martin used the occasion to visit the nearby Park which commemorates the tragedy of the launch of an atomic bomb on the city in August 1945, a most impressive and moving location.

**Martin** was also one of three international invitees at a recent small discussion meeting in Valencia. His paper was entitled *Science and the Public in Spain and in EU12 – 1989 to 2005*, and was delivered at the workshop 'New views and challenges in science communication and the promotion of scientific culture' which took place at University of Valencia, Spain, on 1st December 2009.

In the Michaelmas Term, **Cathy Campbell** gave two invited talks. The first of these was at the Social Policy department at the University of Oxford, where she presented comparative case studies of participatory health programmes in South Africa and India, drawing on work she has done with Flora Cornish. The second of these was to LSE Health, where she presented with Emma Pitchforth – in a session on factors shaping women's access to maternal health services in India. These talks reflect Cathy's growing research interests in India (**Kerry Scott** from HCD is currently doing an internship with SATHI - the Indian branch of the Peoples' Health Movement - see above), and also in maternal health. The latter focus has recently come into the spotlight through its central role in the Millennium Development Goals, and brings together many of Cathy's interests in gender, poverty and health.

**Caroline Howarth** went to the *Political Psychology* conference once again this year – and found it much improved. There was a good mix of political scientists and social psychologists from Europe and America – there were even a few Social Representations researchers there! Wolfgang Wagner had asked Caroline to organize a symposium with him on *Constructing and Deconstructing the Order of Ethnic Groups in Society*. This was a thoroughly enjoyable event and Caroline would highly recommend this annual conference to others. Steve Reicher is the 2010 Conference chair – so once again it promises a good level of scholarly exchange.

**Dr Lucia Garcia** gave a lecture for the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Group at Essex University Business School as part of the course: '*Organisational Learning and Collaboration in a Globalised World*' in November 2009.

**Claudia Mollidor** survived the long haul flight to Melbourne to present a paper and a poster at "The infant, the family and the modern world: Intervening to promote healthy relationships", a conference organised by the Australian Association for Infant Mental Health and the Australasian Marce Society, 1-3 October 2009.

## Upcoming conferences

In January **Jap Dhesi** will be heading for the bright lights of Las Vegas, and whilst there will also present a paper to the Society for Personality and Social Psychology: Dhesi, Japinder (Forthcoming) *Do status differences trigger essentialist thinking?* Paper to be presented at the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Jan 2010, Las Vegas, USA.

In June, having returned from his adventures at Harvard, **Soydan Soyulu** will be presenting a

paper (oral presentation) in Wales: Soylu, Soydan (Forthcoming) *The relation between bullying and perceived organisational justice: A structural equations model*. Paper to be presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Workplace Bullying and Harassment, June 2010, Cardiff, UK

**Cathy Vaughan** will don plus fours to visit St Andrews, Scotland in July 2010 to present in a working session on Models of Health in Oceania - Publics, Policy and Advocacy: Vaughan, Cathy (Forthcoming) *Contrasting young Papua New Guineans' perspectives on health with national HIV prevention priorities*. Paper to be presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> European Society for Oceanists Conference

### One for the diary!

Please see the alert and application form for the **BPS London and Home Counties' Branch April Symposium for post-graduates** attached at the end of this newsletter. This is a great opportunity for research students to present at a conference locally.

## Publications

### Already 2009-2010 is shaping up as very productive year for ISP publications:

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Bauer MW and G Gaskell (2008). Social representations theory: a progressive research programme for Social Psychology. *Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour*, 38(4): 335-354.

Bauer MW & S Howard (2009). *The sense of Crisis among Science Journalists* – a survey conducted on the occasion of WCSJ\_09 in London, STePS, LSE, November (76pp).

[http://www.psych.lse.ac.uk/socialpsychology/research\\_activities/publications/introduction.htm](http://www.psych.lse.ac.uk/socialpsychology/research_activities/publications/introduction.htm)

Bauer MW & S Howard (2009). *Public Understanding of Science in Italy: 1989 – 1995*. An LSE STePS report for OBSERVA, London, LSE Enterprise, March 2009

Several of Martin's earlier works are now also available in translation (look out China!):

Bauer MW & M Bucchi (eds) (2007). Journalism, Science & Society: Science Communication between news making and public relations. New York, Routledge, will be published in Chinese translation by Peijing, China's Modern Economic Publishing, and will now also be available in English paperback version in 2010.

Bauer MW, N Allum, and S Miller (2007). What can we learn from 25 years of PUS research ? liberating and widening the agenda, *Public Understanding of Science*, 15(1): 1-17, has been republished in Chinese translation in *Science Popularisation*, 6(3): 66-76, 2009 (Peijing).

Bauer MW, Petkova K, P Boyadjieva, G Gornev (2006) Long-term trends in the representations of science across the iron curtain: Britain and Bulgaria, 1946-95, *Social Studies of Science*, 36(1): 97-129 is now included in the collection of benchmark texts in: Franzosi R (ed) (2008) Content Analysis, London, Sage Benchmarks in Social Research Methods [ISBN: 9781412933995]

Campbell, C. & Gibbs, A. (2009) Stigma, Gender and HIV: Case studies of intersectionality. In: Boesten, J. and Poku, N. (eds.) Gender and AIDS: Critical Perspectives from the Developing World. Palgrave MacMillan, London. 29-47.

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Campbell, C (2009) Technologies of 'participation' and 'capacity building' in HIV/AIDS management in Africa: three case studies. In: Davis, M & Squires, C (Eds) HIV, technology and subjectivity: international case studies of HIV treatment and prevention. Palgrave Macmillan.

Campbell, C., Nair, Y., Maimane, S., Gibbs, A. (2009) Strengthening Community Responses to AIDS: Possibilities and Challenges. In P. Rohleder, L. Swartz, S. Kalichman, & L. Simbayi (Eds.), HIV/AIDS in South Africa 25 Years On: Psychosocial Perspectives (pp. 221-236). New York: Springer

Campbell, C., Gibbs, A., Nair, Y. & Maimane, S. (2009) Frustrated Potential, False Promise or Complicated Possibilities? Empowerment and participation amongst female health volunteers in South Africa. *Journal of Health Management, Special Edition on Subaltern Approaches to the Millennium Development Goals*.

Cornish, F., Campbell, C. (2009) The social conditions for successful peer education: A comparison of two HIV prevention programmes run by sex workers in India and South Africa. *American Journal of Community Psychology*. 44:123-135.

Skovdal, M., Ogutu, V. O., Aoro, C. & Campbell, C. (2009) Young Carers as Social Actors: Coping Strategies of Children Caring for Ailing or Ageing Guardians in Western Kenya. *Social Science and Medicine*.

Campbell, C, Scott, K (2009) Retreat from Alma Ata? The WHO's report on task shifting to community health workers for AIDS care in poor countries. *Global Public Health*.

Skovdal, M. & Campbell, C. (2009) Orphan Competent Communities: A Framework for Community Analysis and Action. *Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies*.

Campbell, C (2009) *From local to global: contextualising women's sexual health in the*

*shadow of AIDS*. Review of Ida Susser's 'AIDS, sex and culture'. *Journal of Health Psychology*.

Campbell, C (2009) Review of HIV/AIDS in South Africa (by Corinne Squire). *Journal of Health Management*.

Howarth, C. (2009). "I hope we won't have to understand racism one day": Researching or reproducing 'race' in Social Psychological research? *British Journal of Social Psychology*. Volume 48 (3), pp. 407-426

Howarth, C. (2009). Towards a Visual Social Psychology of Identity and Representation: photographing the self, weaving the family in a multicultural British community. In Reavey, P. (ed) Visual Psychologies: Using and interpreting images in qualitative research. London: Routledge.

Howarth, C. (2009). Social representations theory, communication and identity. In Hook, D., Franks, B. and Bauer, M. (Eds) Communication, Culture and Social Change: The Social Psychological Perspective. London, Palgrave Macmillan

## Welcomes and other news

ISP recently welcomed **Dr Susan Rifkin** as a Visiting Senior Research Fellow to the Institute. Susan will be linked to the Health, Community and Development Research Group. Susan has had a long and prestigious career, both as an academic and an activist, working on issues around primary health care, community participation and empowerment, and health policies and systems in developing countries in contexts including Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Sudan, India, Cambodia and Cuba . Susan also has helped to establish two Master Degree programmes in health development

and management at the University of Heidelberg, Germany and the Great Lakes University, Kisumu, Kenya. She has published widely in leading international journals, including The Lancet and Social Science and Medicine. She has developed framework models for assessing participation, doing rapid participatory appraisals and examining the links between equity and empowerment in health programmes. She runs training courses in participatory appraisals and qualitative research for people working in low and middle income countries. Susan will be participating in a range of teaching and research projects in the ISP.

**Marie-Claude Gervais** (a former lecturer at the ISP and now one of its guest lecturers) and **Claudine Provencher** took part in a very special event organised by the BBC to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Handel's death. On Sunday the 6th of December, along with another 1000 people, they took part in a production of his Hallelujah at the London Coliseum. You can listen to the final result and see their pictures (in the stalls, fourth row on the left-hand side) by using the following link: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/sing/hallelujah/iwasthere.shtml>

**Caroline Howarth** has the good fortune to be expecting her second child in April, and will go on maternity leave in mid March. Little Robert will be two by the time baby arrives, so Caroline will no doubt have her hands full with both delight and trouble!

**Derek Hook** and his wife Merrylyn have made a marvellous contribution to the ISP family in the Michaelmas term – with the arrival of baby Elliot. All three are doing very well, as can be seen from the family photo above. Congratulations Derek!



And finally, one of our ISPN editorial team, **Cathy Vaughan**, remembers quite clearly when the last newsletter went out – as she was proof reading a draft whilst trying to pass the time in early labour. Since then little Clancy has grown substantially, as you can see in the photo below where she is making her New Year's resolutions. The ISPN editorial team hope that our Social Psychology colleagues had a wonderful break, and that 2010 gets off to a safe and happy start for you all.





The  
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**London and Home Counties' Branch**

**ONE-DAY RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM  
FOR  
POST-GRADUATES**

**who are completing or have recently completed a  
Masters or Doctorate Programme in Psychology.**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

**Objective:** to provide an opportunity for postgraduate students to present their research findings to a wider psychologist audience than may usually be possible. Abstracts of the papers will be published on the BPS branch website.

**Benefits of presenting or attending:** The symposium will give an overview of research that is happening in the themes below which would probably not otherwise be published or disseminated. If you are still working on your research project, you can use your attendance to glean useful information about measures, methodologies and making sense of your data, as well as making valuable contact with other likeminded researchers in the London and home counties area.

**Theme**

Papers will be grouped as far as possible into similar discipline areas so those presenting and attending will hear papers in areas they are specialist in. There will be five parallel sessions. It is anticipated the five areas might be in the following areas depending on demand:

- Clinical
- Educational
- Occupational
- Cognitive / Neuro psychology
- Other fields in psychology

**Date and time:**        **Tuesday 20th April 2010, 9.30am - 4.30pm**

**Venue:**

**The British Psychological Society, London Office, Tabernacle Street, London EC2 4UE.** (Nearest underground stations are *Old Street* on the Northern Line or *Moorgate* on the Northern, Circle, Metropolitan and Hammersmith lines).

**Who should consider presenting a Paper?**

Those currently engaged in postgraduate professional practice research, or those who have recently completed their thesis are encouraged to apply.

There will be opportunities for approximately 25 papers to be presented in the different discipline areas within psychology specified above. Presentations will be conducted in different streams simultaneously.



You are invited to send in your application to present your paper as soon as possible. Summaries (see Symposium Submissions below) will be scrutinised by a small panel of committee members and acceptance confirmed.

### **Form of presentation**

Presenters should speak for 20-25 minutes with a further 5-10 minutes for questions and answers. Maximum total time per paper is 30 minutes. PowerPoint with data projection will be available. There will be a Chair for each paper to facilitate the question and answer session and provide a brief summary at the end of each presentation.

### **Chairs**

Directors of programmes and research supervisors are invited to attend as Chairs. We are hoping for 10 Chairs (2 per theme) to chair 2-3 papers each (ie about an hour and a half). Chairs are invited to attend free of charge. By inviting directors and supervisors we are hoping to facilitate a valuable question and answer session.

### **Who else should attend?**

Postgraduate research students and others interested in current and cutting edge research in the theme areas stated above, are invited to attend as non presenting delegates. There will be space for approximately 45 delegates.

### **First come first served:**

There is a maximum capacity of 80 people in the plenary room at 30 Tabernacle Street so places will be given on a first come first served basis. After places have been allocated to presenters and chairs, delegates will be given the remaining places on a first come first served basis.

### **Provisional Programme for the day:**

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| 9.30 a.m.  | Registration and coffee.   |
| 10.00 a.m. | Welcome and overview of the day: Karen Powell-Williams, Acting Chair of the branch, University of Westminster                      |
| 10.10 a.m. | Keynote speaker: Dr Alex Linley, Director of the Centre for Applied Positive Psychology, University of Warwick, title of talk tbc. |
| 11.10 a.m. | Seminar choice sessions – 5 themes<br>Papers 1: 11.10-11.40  |
| 11.40 a.m. | Coffee break.  |
| 12 noon    | Seminar choice sessions- 5 themes<br>Papers 2: 12.00- 12.30<br>Papers 3: 12.30- 1.00   |
| 1.00 p.m.  | Lunch  |
| 1.45 p.m.  | Seminar choice sessions- 5 themes<br>Paper 4: 1.45- 2.15<br>Paper 5: 2.15- 2.45  |
| 2-45 p.m.  | Afternoon tea break.   |

- 3.15 p.m. Keynote speaker: Dr Sean Cameron, Course Director of the CPD professional doctorate programme for practitioner Educational Psychologists at University College London, title of talk tbc
- 4.15 p.m. Final comments. Karen Powell-Williams, Chair BPS L&H counties branch, University of Westminster
- 4.30 p.m. End of conference.

**Symposium fee (includes refreshments):**

£25 for presenters and delegates in waged employment, £15 for full time students

Free for Chairs

This research symposium has been costed on a not-for-profit basis.

**INDICATION OF INTEREST:**

It would be helpful if you could give early indication of interest in:

- Presenting a paper
- Chairing a session
- Attending as a delegate

Please email the branch administrator [amandarose58@hotmail.com](mailto:amandarose58@hotmail.com) by **4th January 2010** expressing interest and stating whether you might be a presenter or delegate and with your contact details. If you are considering presenting please let us know in which field of psychology.

Please email Karen Powell-Williams on [powellk@wmin.ac.uk](mailto:powellk@wmin.ac.uk) if you are available to chair a theme and stating which theme is most applicable to you.

**SYMPOSIUM SUBMISSIONS:**

Abstracts should be submitted electronically, if possible, via the branch administrator Mandy Rose on [amandarose58@hotmail.com](mailto:amandarose58@hotmail.com) by **1st March 2010**. Please state 'Symposium paper' in the subject line. Please include a completed Application Form below, or post to the address given at the bottom of the form.

Abstracts (maximum 500 words) should include:

- Theme under which the paper would be presented (clinical, occupational, educational Cognitive / Neuro, or Other field - please state which field).
- Title (max 10 words)
- Name of author
- University, or organisation or institution where applicable
- Background, issues, methodology, results, implications for future practice.

**DELEGATE TICKETS:**

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