

## **66<sup>th</sup> International Council of Psychologists Annual Conference**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2008

ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

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### **“Families and Societies in Transition”**

On behalf of the International Council of Psychologists, I extend a cordial invitation to the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual ICP Conference to be held in St Petersburg July 15 – 18 2008. The theme for the program is **‘Families and Societies in Transition.’** Keeping with the tradition of ICP, the conference has two central objectives; to affirm and strengthen our global network; and to hear from innovative practitioners engaged in innovative practice and research.

President Hiew and the Executive Officers selected an innovative plan for this year. In recognition that ICP is also a “family in transition,” the traditional Board meeting will include a Leadership Retreat. During this time there will be a formal orientation to the new bylaws followed by task groups. The task groups will work out procedure guidelines that reflect the transition to the electronic era. The Board retreat agenda is focused to permit achievement of these two objectives. Board meetings are open to the membership except during executive sessions. Elected Board Members are required to attend and are replaced after two missed meetings. Appointed Chairs, Coordinators, and Interest Group Leaders are encouraged to attend Board meetings. The Retreat Agenda makes it possible for non-elected leaders to become actively involved with the task group work. The President can, when time permits, recognize non-Board members who wish to speak. The Retreat Agenda is scheduled for Tuesday July 15, 9AM until 5PM; and Wednesday, July 16, 9AM until 12noon. Members are encouraged to plan to arrive July 14, in time to attend the Board July 15 Leadership Retreat and to remain through July 18 for the morning Board business meeting.

Scientific sessions begin at 1:30PM on the afternoon of July 16 and continue through July 17. There will be invited addresses, and invited colloquia presented by ICP leaders. Scientific papers and symposia will be included after a review of proposals submitted on the following form. Joint Sessions are being discussed for participating in celebrations at the St. Petersburg University and for continuing ICP start-up support for ICOPE at the 2005 conference in Brazil. The education association is conducting the International Conference of Teaching Psychologists, in St. Petersburg Russia, July 12-16.

I am most enthusiastic that this conference will prove to be both an excellent professional meeting and a most rewarding journey. ICP is dedicated to continuing a tradition of bringing together psychologists from many countries and promoting collaboration involving a full range of psychological perspectives. Continuing Education workshops are under consideration for the mornings of July 16 and July 18. In-Absentia graduate student posters will be solicited for an exhibit during the conference days. Special registration rates are offered to enable more members to attend since meals, lodging, and travel expenses may prohibit attendance for a number of members.

**Presentations proposals are due 15<sup>th</sup> February, with proof or registration. Registration deadline is 28<sup>th</sup> February as we need to submit names of all registrants to hotel, the first week of March.**

We are looking forward to seeing old friends again and welcoming you in St Petersburg, a city of wildly acclaimed beauty and an unrivaled cultural history.

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