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From the President

Dear EARA members,

Following the election of new Executive Council members Elisabetta Crocetti, Metin Özdemir, Muge Artar and Jolien van der Graaff, a council meeting between the old and new Executives was organised in Cadiz, Spain on 16-19 September, 2016. We thank the previous Executive Council members Wim Meeus, Inge Seiffge-Krenke, Peter Noack, Petr Macek, Elias Besevegis, Lauree Tilton-Weaver, Leo Hendry and outgoing President Figen Çok, for having left us an organisation in excellent shape. Together with my highly committed colleagues in the Council we aim to contribute to the advancement in adolescence research through our various activities, foremost the biennial conferences, and to be as responsive as possible to your needs and ideas.

We also met with the local organising committee of EARA2018, and started to make plans for next EARA conference. The 2018 conference will take place 12-15 September in Ghent, Belgium, and will be organized by Wim Beyers and his colleagues. The venue will be the university, Faculty of Psychology & Educational Sciences. Preconference workshops will take place on the 12th of September, 2018. The conference theme is *Nurturing adolescent growth*.

We are looking back at a very successful EARA conference in La Barossa, Cadiz (Spain), where knowledge was shared, people had time for chatting, networking and fun. Conference attracted approximately 400 participants and 88 symposia and oral presentation sessions. During the conference, The EARA Young Scholar Award was given to Stefanie Nelemans and the EARA Lifetime Achievement Award was given to influential researcher on adolescence Wim Meeus. Congratulations!

The next special conference issue of JoA will focus on *Adolescent psychopathology in times of change*. It will be guest edited by Inge Seiffge-Krenke, Marion Kloep, Leo Hendry, and Wim Beyers. Submissions based on EARA2016 conference presentations are welcome!

EARA has been continuing collaborations with other institutions recently. In 2015, a successful EARA/SRA summer school was ran in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. Unfortunately Jacobs Foundation has decided to stop its support of the summer school. Therefore, the 2016 summer school had to be cancelled. EARA, SRA, and EADP decided to finance a 3-day summer school in 2017, taking place 26-29 August before ECDP2017 in Utrecht, The Netherlands, and directed by Susan Branje. The council decided to support this initiative and examine what EARA can contribute annually to the summer schools.

EARA has traditionally strong connections with the ISSBD. Therefore, in 2016, during the ISSBD Conference in Vilnius, Elisabetta Crocetti, and Saskia Kunnen, organized the joint EARA-ISSBD Symposium: *Recent advances in the study of adolescent development*. The EARA addresses a sub domain of the broad field of Behavioral Development, and this joint symposium offered an overview of advances in research on adolescence in both the EARA and the ISSBD. Wim Meeus addressed the very important issue of replication in the study of adolescent development. Julie C. Bowker highlighted recent advances in the study of peer relationships in early adolescence.

Katharina Eckstein presented recent studies providing new insights on adolescent civic engagement. Rita Žukauskienė and Goda Kaniušonytė highlighted developmental pathways in positive youth development. Overall, these presentations provided a comprehensive overview of recent advances in the study of adolescent development.

Our main priority in the coming two years consists in making contributions to strengthening the EARA as the leading association in Europe, focused on research on adolescence. EARA is looking into ways to increase its membership, since the membership fee is the primary financial source of EARA. From the membership fees we will contribute to EARA-SRA-SRCD joint summer school in 2017, and hope to contribute in future, as described above. Thus, to be able to support such activities in future, EARA really needs you and your contribution. I would like to remind you to renew your memberships and check your contact info and please encourage your colleagues who are interested in research on adolescence to be part of EARA.

As our work proceeds, we will report to the members about plans, activities and outcomes.

Do not hesitate to contact us with queries or suggestions – we are at your service. And, last but not least, I hope to see as many of you as possible in Ghent in 2018.

Yours sincerely

Rita Žukauskienė
EARA President
Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius,
Lithuania.

In memoriam of. Prof. Augusto Palmonari

Elisabetta Crocetti

(University of Bologna, Italy)

Wim Meus

(University of Utrecht, The Netherlands)



Our mentor, colleague, and friend, Prof. Augusto Palmonari, Emeritus Professor of Social Psychology at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, passed away on October 20, 2016, after a long illness.

Augusto was born in Imola (Italy) on December 25, 1935. He graduated in Medicine and Surgery at the University of Bologna in 1960 and finished a specialization in Nervous and Mental diseases

in 1963. He then became professor of social psychology at the same University, where he worked until he retired in 2010. In the same year, he received the Laura Honoris Causa in Psychology from the University of Geneva and in 2011 he was awarded with the title of Emeritus Professor from the University of Bologna.

Augusto was an outstanding scholar, who made a substantial contribution to the establishment of the academic fields of adolescent psychology and social psychology in Italy. He strongly believed in the value of the international scientific community and established enduring and productive scientific relations with scholars such as Henry Tajfel, Serge Moscovici, Jos Jaspars, Willem Doise and many others who have visited the University of Bologna in the last 40 years. He was Visiting Scholar at many academic institutions, such as the Van Leer Foundation (Israel), Libre Université de Bruxelles, University of Linz, University of Maryland, University of Mexico City, University of Geneva, University of Oxford, and University of Bern. Since he believed strongly in the value of international collaborations he always invited his mentees and the junior researchers working with him to do traineeships abroad, and to establish new scientific collaborations. He was also a great host, many international scholars have enjoyed the dinners and conversations at his place. In the same line, he contributed actively to the establishment and the development of scientific associations, such as our EARA and the European Association of Social Psychology. He chaired, together with his colleagues, one of the first EARA conferences (Bologna, 1992) and in 2008, he was awarded with the EARA Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding contribution to the study of adolescence.

The list of his achievements and contributions is much longer than this; it includes several leadership and institutional roles, invited lectures, Italian and international publications, and editorial roles.

But most importantly, we all remember with great affection and a strong sense of gratitude his humaneness. In his scientific activity, there was a sincere prosocial orientation, a deep effort to truly understand the condition of young people, especially those in marginalized situations. In his

scientific relationships, he always looked behind the colleague to get to know the other person, so that work relationships became true and lasting friendships. In mentoring young scholars, he always strived to lead them the way and to show what was best for their growth and improvement. He really cared about people and his study room and home were the places where several of us could discuss scientific topics as well as relevant personal issues and decisions.

We wish to keep his legacy alive and we express our closeness to his wife, Gabriella, his children, Ilaria, Marco, and Valeria, and their families.

Elisabetta Crocetti & Wim Meeus

Report from XV EARA conference in La Barrosa

**“A VIEW FROM THE
REGISTRATION DESK:
THE CO-ORGANISERS’
PERSPECTIVE”:**

**Submitted by Leo Hendry and
Marion Kloep**

It is difficult to present an unbiased perspective on the recent EARA conference since we chose the venue! But in all honesty, we believe the setting was superb, with sun, beach, palm trees, and a range of convenient hotels and restaurants.

Now, there are advantages and disadvantages in being co-hosts: It was great to be at the desk and greet old friends as they arrived and to welcome new friends from diverse places - and wonderful to note a strong Spanish presence amongst the participants. However, in turn, this meant that apart from sessions in which we had a formal role we saw little of the actual conference itself!

Yet we did manage to sneak into some sessions and several aspects of the conference and the programme are worthy of mention here. We had nearly 400 delegates from 44 countries, with a considerable number of students and young researchers, which is great for the future of EARA and indicates a world-wide interest in the field of study – and maybe some systemic influences such as the Andalusian welcome reception and video presentation at the Cesme conference in 2014! The range and variety of the pre-conference workshops on the day preceding the start of the conference programme attracted 70 participants, especially young researchers and doctoral students.

The programme introduced a number of different presentational formats, including round-table discussions of issues such as longitudinal research design, public debates (“What we can, and cannot, interpret from brain research”), films, innovative topics such as Jihadism, as well as our usual array of keynote speeches, symposia, posters and lectures. Indeed, the overarching theme of the conference emphasised future directions in youth research and highlighted a systemic theoretical framework for future adolescent studies from the opening keynote speech by Saskia Kunnen to discussions regarding the possibilities of longitudinal research and the necessity of looking beyond group means.

In order to provide a continuing flavour of local, Andalusian culture, flamenco dancing by young adolescents figured amongst the events within the Opening Ceremony and Reception, which was sponsored by Chiclana Town Council, and by an adult group of musicians, singers and dancer during the Formal Dinner at La Chaparral, where guests were transported by Chiclana’s tourist ‘trains’ to and from the event, and where local dishes and wines were served buffet-style in the floodlit gardens and dining rooms of the hacienda while music played and guests inter-mingled till the witching hour.

Thanks are due to a number of individuals for their willing and enthusiastic support given to us in the preparation and carrying out of all the tasks necessary in arranging the conference.

First, our student volunteers, who greeted and guided delegates as they arrived at train stations, bus stations, from airports and by hired car, set up lecture rooms and poster sessions, directed people around the conference venue and generally ensured that the day-to-day business ran smoothly – and they even managed to attend many sessions themselves, meeting senior international researchers whose work they may have read, practising their English speaking abilities and networking with age-peers from other countries.

Second, thanks to all our Spanish university colleagues in Seville and Madrid for their facilitating role in linking the two of us to officials and organisations beyond the reach of ‘foreigners’ like ourselves.

Finally, and most gratefully, thanks to our business manager and third musketeer, Don Javier Marín, whose business acumen, entrepreneurial skills and local knowledge and social contacts made the structure of the four days around the academic programme so complementary, memorable and ‘value for money.’

In conclusion, we are happy (in retrospect!) that we undertook the task of co-organising one EARA conference. We learned much in the process, but are pleased that in future our perspective will *not* be from the reception desk!

Every possible success and best wishes to Ghent, 2018.

Marion & LEO

Minutes of the EARA General Assembly September 18, 2016, Cadiz, Spain

Submitted by Susan Branje (*University of Utrecht, The Netherlands*)

1. Opening by the Secretary

Due to personal circumstances, the President Figen Çok, had to leave the conference. The Secretary, Susan Branje, formally opens the GA and welcomes all attendees.

2. Minutes of the General Assembly 2014.

The GA accepts the minutes of the preceding GA held in Cesme, Turkey in 2014.

3. Report of the President

A brief summary of the President’s activities during her term is given. The President congratulates this year’s awardees, Dr. Stefanie Nelemans for the Young Scholar Award and Prof. dr. Wim Meeus for the Lifetime Achievement Award. The president organized two successful local EARA workshops. The first took place in Bordeaux in April 2015 and was co-organized with Lyda Lannegrand-Willems and Cyrille Perchec, the second took place in London in November 2015 and was co-organized with Celia Essau. The workshops were less successful in recruiting EARA members. The president organized an invited symposium at the SRA biennial conference in 2016 and wrote a blog on the SRA website about her experiences. During the president’s term, the rules and bylaws of the association were renewed. Moreover, the president suggested the establishment of a mentoring award,

which will be explored in the near future. The president thanks the EARA council for their activities and support.

4. Report of the Membership Secretary/Treasurer

The Treasurer, Loes Keijzers, thanks the financial committee and the membership secretary, Saskia Kunnen, for their work. Thanks to the establishment of the position of membership secretary, the problems in communication with members about their membership and payments have been solved, resulting in a decline in payment problems and an increase in memberships. The sudden decline in the EARA balance in 2014 has been stopped and with an amount of € 15,692.56, the balance has returned to previous levels.

The treasurer gives an overview of income and expenditures of the Association during the last two years (see table below). The balances will be checked by Olga Solomontos-Kountouri and Dagmar Strohmeier.

The Treasurer further points out that the number of EARA members is 137 (87 full members and 50 student members). Members come from 30 countries, with most members from the Netherlands and Turkey. As membership is decreasing in many countries, all members are kindly requested to renew their membership on time and to inform their colleagues of the various advantages of the EARA membership.

5. Conferences

The Secretary thanks Marion Kloep and Leo Hendry and their team for the organization of the 15th Biennial conference in Cadiz (Spain). The conference is running very well. There are approximately 400 participants

and 88 symposia and oral presentation sessions. The finances of the conference look well.

The 2018 conference will take place 12-15 September in Ghent, Belgium, and will be organized by Wim Beyers and his colleagues. Wim Beyers gives a presentation about the conference location and his team.

6. International Consortium of Developmental Science Societies (ICDSS)

The past president, Wim Meeus, has joined the ICDSS meetings on behalf of EARA. ICDSS has three overarching goals: To facilitate collaborative developmental research across topics and age groups; to share lessons learned on the management of developmental science societies; and to assemble and disseminate research of relevance to global policy. It was agreed to develop collaborative research and policy recommendations on three topics: immigration/migration, disasters/trauma, and sustainability. In spring 2017 ICDSS will hold a consensus conference to address the first and third of the ICDSS goals, in which EARA will participate.

7. EARA Summer Schools

In 2015, a successful EARA/SRA summer school was ran in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. Unfortunately Jacobs Foundation has decided to stop its support of junior scholar activities such a travel grants and summer schools for several organizations among which EARA. Therefore, the 2016 summer school had to be cancelled. EARA, SRA, and EADP are exploring the possibility to finance a 3-day summer school in 2017, taking place in the end of August before the ECDP2017 meeting in Utrecht, The Netherlands, and directed by Susan Branje.

8. EARA Student and Early Career Network (SECNET)

Elisabetta Crocetti, the lead representative of SECNET, presents the poster awards of SECNET. During the conference, the network organized several activities for its early career members such as the SECNET community meeting, a meet-the-editors session, and the SECNET dinner. The Poster Awards are then announced: they go to Annette Spithoven (Belgium), Hana Hadiwijaya (The Netherlands), and Natalie Mercer (The Netherlands).

9. Publications

Newsletter and Representatives:

The newsletter editor, Fabrizia Giannotta, reported that the national representatives have an active contribution to the newsletter in proposing special issues around hot and important topics, as well as in membership recruitment. In the near future the national representatives will collaborate with the SECNET national representatives. Many countries still lack a representative so EARA members are invited to serve as representative for those countries.

Studies in Adolescent Development (SIAD) series:

Lauree Tilton-Weaver, Loes Keijsers and Susan Branje are the series editors for the SIAD series published by Psychology Press. The SIAD series is published in conjunction with EARA. Each volume in the series aims to make a conceptual contribution to adolescent development by reviewing and synthesizing the existing research literature, or by advancing theory and showcasing new data in the area. Currently several book proposals are being prepared, and a book on autonomy development is almost completed. Members interested in editing or authoring a book can contact the series editors.

Journal of Adolescence:

Wim Beyers, Assistant Editor of JoA on behalf of EARA, reports on the recent developments. Due to changes in the organization of the owner of the journal, the Foundation for professionals in Services to Adolescents (FPSA), they no longer can offer members of EARA a reduced subscription fee. JoA will continue to publish an EARA conference special issue every two years, however. The impact has slightly increased, IF2015 = 2.01. The next special conference issue of JoA will focus on Adolescent psychopathology in times of change. It will be guest edited by Inge Seiffge-Krenke, Hakan Stattin, Marion Kloep, Leo Hendry, and Wim Beyers. After the conference there will be a call for abstracts to all conference attendants. Planned publication of the special issue is in the first half of 2018.

10. Official start of the term of the new President, Rita Žukauskienė

The chair of the GA is handed over to the new President, Rita Žukauskienė, who expresses her gratitude for Çok's leadership during her Presidential term. The incoming president briefly announces her plans for her term, among which developing a contract for EARA conferences, increasing membership numbers, and finding financial support for the summer schools.

The President officially closes the GA.

The EARA Lifetime Achievement Award: Professor Wim Meus

Submitted by Luc Goossens
Leuven University (Belgium)



Each time at our biennial conference, we confer a Lifetime Achievement Award upon an individual researcher. Our main criterion is that this individual's overall program of work has had a significant impact on our understanding of development and behavior during the second decade of the life-span.

This year's committee was composed of Saskia Kunnen from the Netherlands, Inge Seiffge-Krenke from Germany, and myself, Luc Gossens from Belgium. With great pleasure, the committee decided to assign the Lifetime Achievement Award to Wim Meeus from Utrecht University, The Netherlands.

The wonderful letters of recommendation, sent to us by Wim's colleagues and friends, emphasized his many contributions to research on adolescence. Wim is Professor

of Adolescent Development at Utrecht University and Professor of Developmental Psychology at Tilburg University. He served as President of our Association from 2012 till 2014. He authored or co-authored over 400 scholarly journal articles and book chapters that have had a great impact on the field. A quick look at the Web of Science this very afternoon taught me that his papers have been cited more than 5,000 times and that he has an impact factor of 43. So he certainly meets the main criterion for our Lifetime Achievement Award.

But the letters of recommendation put a much stronger emphasis on Wim's unusual career, his favorite research topics, and his unique interpersonal qualities.

You may not know that Wim started his career in social psychology doing experiments on obedience to authority. His solid background in social psychology and sociology may explain some of his strongly held beliefs. He is convinced, for instance, that "emerging adulthood" is just a new term for the concept of prolonged adolescence, as described in the older European literature on the sociology of youth.

His favorite research topics are longitudinal research on adolescence and identity formation. He has worked relentlessly to promote longitudinal research on the second decade of life. And if you wonder why there are so many sessions on identity at this conference, that is due, in large part, to Wim's efforts.

Wim has also inspired several generations of young researchers. Our association has granted eight Young Scholar Awards so far and five of them were, at one point in time, Ph. D. students or co-workers of Wim. A quick check with these junior colleagues revealed that Wim has a unique interpersonal style. While certainly supportive, he can also be very critical. Compared to Wim's initial criticism on a manuscript, the reviewers' comments often looked like a piece of cake. Wim also likes to engage in vivid discussions with anyone, regardless of rank. He will challenge the esteemed professor with equal vigor and

listen to the young Ph.D. student with equal attention. He has never been obedient to any authority and he certainly does not expect anyone to be obedient to his.

This characteristic directness may strike you as typically Dutch or, as one colleague put it, hyperDutch or even superDutch. But Wim is also a warm person who truly cares about his collaborators and colleagues and he always tries to find a solution with them if things are not going as planned.

Therefore this year's Lifetime Achievement Award went to Wim Meus not just to recognize his impact on the field, but also his leadership, his inspiration, and his warmth and generosity.

The EARA Young Scholar Award: Dr. Stefanie Nelemans

Submitted by Saskia Kunnen
Groningen University (The Netherlands)



Stefanie Nelemans received the 2016 Young Scholar Award. Stefanie

worked on her PhD from 2010 to 2014 at the Research Center for Adolescent Development at Utrecht University in the Netherlands. After finishing her PhD project, Stefanie worked as a postdoctoral researcher at the Research Center for Adolescent Development at Utrecht University in the Netherlands and, since January 2016, she currently works as a postdoctoral fellow at the Department of School Psychology and Child and Adolescent Development at the KU Leuven in Belgium. Her current research at the KU Leuven mainly focusses on novel approaches to creating polygenic scores and how such polygenic scores interact with environmental factors to predict development of adolescent social anxiety symptoms.

In the following, the committee's motivation for the award assignment is presented.

“The 2016 committee for the young scholar award consisted of Luc Goossens, Inge Seiffge-Krenke and myself, Saskia Kunnen. This year we had three theses to evaluate: all were well written, thoroughly, complete and really good theses. So, we had a hard job. Still, although we focused on somewhat different criteria, we all came to the same conclusion.

That conclusion is that Stefanie Nelemans is the winner of the 2016 Young Scholar Award.

The title of her thesis is: Adolescent Anxiety. Development, Individual Vulnerability, and Social Relationships and she defended it in Utrecht.

Her promoters were Wim Meeus and Susan Branje

I would like to share the most important comments of the committee with you.

Anxiety is one of the most frequent symptoms in adolescence and shows high stability through adulthood, leading to serious impairments in various domains of life. Stefanie Nelemans work takes up this important issue and found compelling evidence in several of her studies that, while low or fluctuating anxiety levels are a normal concomitant of adolescence, adolescents in the trajectories of either stable high or increasing anxiety levels are particularly impaired. She combined psychological research with medical indicators like cortisol activity, and looked into parents and child effects; the latter has been frequently overlooked. This all shows that she looked over walls, crossed borders and combined different domains.

Of the six studies in her dissertation, four were already published in high-impact journals.

In the first part of her thesis she used latent growth curve modeling and cross-lagged analysis to examine the developmental course of anxiety during adolescence. In the second and more innovative part, she used research methods initially developed in the biomedical sciences to delve into the biological foundations of internalizing problems in adolescence and she also used observational measures.

In these studies she managed to show that higher levels of depressive symptoms rather than anxiety disorder symptoms were associated with an unusual pattern of cortisol values during the day (i.e., the so-called cortisol awakening response) and that higher scores for social anxiety symptoms were associated with greater stress hyperactivity in a public speaking task.

In general, she used diverse, well-chosen methods of high complexity. The results are well presented, challenging.

The last chapter, the general reflection, is an excellent concluding chapter. A well written and very reflective piece of work, in which she demonstrates that she has knowledge of the main issues in developmental psychology, and she considers her research in the light of this knowledge. She shows she is capable to reflect on her work in the light of fundamental questions.”

National Representatives: Third meeting in La Barrosa

***Submitted by Fabrizia Giannotta,
Uppsala University (Sweden)***

The third meetings between EARA newsletter editor, Fabrizia Giannotta, the EARA president-elect Susan Branje, and the EARA president Rita Zukauskienė, and the EARA National Representatives was held at the XV EARA conference at La Barrosa. This time also the SECnet Representatives, Elisabetta Crocetti and Jolien van der Graaff, and the SECnet National Representatives were invited and important issues have been discussed.

- It has been suggested a fusion between EARA National Representatives and the SECNet representatives. The idea is that they can work together and address respectively senior and young potential EARA members to spread the knowledge on the society. A complete list of these representatives will be available on the website. Each representative is also asked to

provide a short description about him/herself and a picture.

- New ways for contacting potential EARA members in each country have been discussed. National and SECnet representatives will be asked to track and contact scientists that deal with adolescence in their country. They will be given an official announcement from the Society where all the features and the advantages to become members will be described and they will be asked to spread it out. It is important to try to reach researchers also from other disciplines (e.g. epidemiology, social work, sociology, etc.), so that the society can grow and reach all the researchers or practitioners that deal with adolescence.

- The way the National representatives were elected was also discussed. The National representative role lasts for four years. After that, if nobody is available to take over, he/she can continue for another four years. If someone else is willing to take over and the present representative would like to continue, then the EARA members will be asked to vote.

- The National representatives are asked to collaborate also with the Newsletter. From time to time, they will be asked to contact EARA members from their country and propose them to submit short summary of recent published studies. This will help to share new research studies of the EARA members. It could also be an incentive to become a member.

- The possibility to operate through social medias (e.g. Facebook) has been also discussed. We talked about the opening a Facebook page where the SECNet national representatives and the national representatives can be quite active. However, this point has been not developed completely and suggestions from National

Representatives and Eara members are welcomed.

Nation	Representative	Year of election
Austria	Dagmar Strohmeier	2010
Bulgaria	Radosveta Dimitrova	2014
Cyprus	Olga Solomontos-Kountouri	2010
Czech Republic	Jan Sirugek	2012
Finland	Sami Maata	2010
France	Lyda Lannegrand	2010
Greece	Georgouleas Georgios	2010
Irland	Jennifer Symonds	2016
Italy	Alessio Vieno	2010
Lithuania	Vilmante Pakaniskiene	2010
Luxembourg	Isabelle Albert	2013
Portugal	Filomena Parada	2013
Romania	Oana Negru-Subtirica	2016
Slovakia	Mária Bačíková	2016
Spain	LuisJoaquin Garcia-Lopez	2010
Sweden	Ylva Svensson	2016
Turkey	Eylem Türk	2016

From the Student and Early Career Network (SECNet): Students and Early Career Network (SECNet) Activities at the EARA conference

Submitted by Jolien van der Graaff,
Utrecht University (The Netherlands)

The 15th EARA conference in La Barrosa, Cádiz, was attended by many students and

early career scholars and was an inspiring event! The scientific program was of high quality, covered important topics of adolescent research and included research from a wide variety of European countries and even from several other parts of the world. It was great to see that many young scholars were actively involved in the program, not only presenting their research in poster presentations but also in symposia. SECNet organized several well-attended activities for young scholars during the conference: the ‘conversation with the editors’ meeting, the young scholar dinner, and the best poster awards.

At the ‘Conversation with the editors’ meeting, five editors (Wim Beyers, Luc Goossens, Theo Klimstra, Katariina Salmela-Aro, Rita Zukauskienė) gave useful information about the publishing process and valuable advice to increase the chances of getting our research published.

We had a great young scholar dinner, with 66 young scholars, at restaurant Tierra y Mar in Chiclana de la Frontera. This was a wonderful opportunity to broaden our network and to get to know each other better. Between the delicious courses we announced the changes in the SECNet committee. We thanked Elisabetta Crocetti, Katharina Eckstein, Constantina Demetriou, and Aysenur Ataman for their work for SECNet in the period 2012-2016, and we introduced the new SECNet committee, with Jolien van der Graaff as the SECNet representative, Marlies Maes as the representative deputy, Mette Ranta as the secretary, Elisabeth Schubach as the webmaster, and Ioana Pop as the communication manager.

During the General Assembly, the SECNet poster award committee, chaired by Elisabetta Crocetti and Katharina Eckstein, awarded the three best posters presented by doctoral students. The posters were judged by past EARA presidents Wim Meeus and Peter Noack, and current EARA president Rita Zukauskienė, who provided feedback on the posters of all doctoral students who applied for the award. The winners of the

SECNet poster award were Hana Hadiwijaya (Tilburg University), Annette Spithoven (KU Leuven), and Natalie Mercer (Utrecht University).

We enjoyed the conference very much, and in particular the contacts with our colleagues from all over the world. As the SECNet committee, we would like to keep in touch with you. Please keep an eye on our website <http://earasecnet.weebly.com/> to be informed about our future activities, and join us on facebook

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/456777854400826/permalink/1112808045464467/>). We also would like to hear from you if you have any ideas to increase and strengthen our network of students and young scholars in adolescent research (email: eara.secnet@gmail.com).

Your SECNet committee,

Jolien van der Graaff
Marlies Maes
Mette Ranta
Elisabeth Schubach
Ioana Pop

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