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From the President

EARA between Spetses and Torino

On September 17th we received word that our President-elect, Professor Dr. Silvia Ciairano, passed away at the age of 52 while visiting Jena, Germany. We were informed just the day prior

that her condition was most critical. Silvia was full professor of developmental psychology at the University of Torino, Italy. She was one of the driving forces of our association; organizing the EARA conference in 2008, a methodology workshop in 2011, and a member of the EARA council for many years. Silvia and her group also contributed many presentations at EARA conferences over the past decade.

Silvia was a cheerful, active, and energetic person, and her passing is a terrible loss for her family and loved ones, as well as her department in Torino and us, as a scientific organization. Her energy and spirit will be sorely missed. The present newsletter includes an obituary on page 2.

A couple of weeks prior to this very sad news, we were at the 13th Biennial Conference of EARA on the lovely island of Spetses. About 400 scholars were at the conference and, as I said at the gala dinner, this gathering was the best EARA conference ever. We had high quality symposia, interesting poster sessions and inspiring addresses from invited speakers, such as Jim Marcia, the father of identity research, and Stephen Russell, president of the Society for Research on Adolescence, our North American sister organization. The EARA lifetime honorary achievement award was given to John Coleman, eminent European scholar and editor of *Journal of Adolescence* for many years, and the young scholar award was given to Loes Keijsers of Utrecht University.

As the incoming president, I summarized the future tasks for EARA as ‘review, renew, cooperate and teach’.

Reviewing our field of research requires looking beyond the borders of conventional adolescent research and examining other areas, such as intervention and experimental research, neurocognitive studies, gene-environment interplay, and biosocial studies. I hope that we will be able to include some of the key people from these fields in the program of the upcoming conference in Izmir, in 2014. Reviewing also requires a critical examination of the existing body of research in our field. Meta-analyses but also reanalysis of existing data with modern and advanced statistical tools are crucial. I believe that over time replications of research findings will be of key importance in modern social sciences.

Renewing our research also requires the revision and development of theories and concepts in our field. Why has ‘identity’ survived as a key topic in our line of research, whereas ‘youth unemployment’ and even ‘generation conflict’ have not? This requires us to analyze historical trends in our field. This line of work could represent an excellent meeting point between senior and junior scholars. Senior scholars have an overview of the field and are best placed to describe and explain research trends, whereas junior scholars are in an ideal position to comment on these developments and suggest ideas for new and upcoming research. I plan to set up a workgroup of junior and senior scholars to engage in such issues, and to contact the editors of key journals in our field for the publication of a special issue.

In the coming years, cooperation with our sister organizations such as SRA, European Association for Developmental Psychology (EADP), the European Society of Criminology (ESC), and the European Society for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry will become ever more important. I hope you will be able to visit their conferences and present EARA. Meanwhile, Michel Born and I will attend the meeting of the Consortium of Developmental Science Organizations this coming December in Marbach, Switzerland, to promote closer cooperation with them.

Finally, EARA will continue its very successful EARA/SRA summer schools. In 2013, the Summer School will be held in Kent (Ohio), USA, from June 16th to June 23rd. The site for

the school is Kent State University. The attending senior scholars include (in alphabetical order): Deborah Capaldi, Toon Cillessen, W. Andrew Collins, Joanne Davila, Carolyn Tucker Halpern, Patrick Heaven, Geert-Jan Overbeek, Sally Powers, Katariina Salmela-Aro, and Christiane Spiel. Applications must be received by December 15th 2012.

This was all for now.

And when on a clear day you are sitting behind your desk and your writing does not go smoothly and inspiration is waning, simply direct your gaze to the sky above Torino and smile. Silvia will smile back at you....

Best wishes,
Wim Meeus
*Adolescent Development, Utrecht University
(The Netherlands)*

In memoriam of Silvia

As our President pointed out, Silvia Ciairano, President-Elect of EARA, passed away just a few weeks ago. In the following, some close colleagues and collaborators have written some words in her remembrance.



Prof. Silvia Ciairano at her 50th birthday

At the last conference in Spetses, Silvia Ciairano was appointed as President-elect. We were their doctoral students and we had a deep friendship

with her. Silvia always expressed positive words about the EARA society. Her supervisor, Sandy Jackson, who passed away in 2003 and with whom Silvia was very close, was one of the founders of the society. Silvia has always been personally involved in the society. She admired the informal style and the friendly atmosphere of the conferences. For these reasons, becoming the President-Elect was an extremely valuable achievement for her.

However, destiny (or whatever you wish to call it) is sometimes sadly very cruel. She passed away unexpectedly only a few weeks later.

Personally, we think that Silvia was a “black-and-white” type of person: Either you loved her or you did not. However, when one took the time to interact with her or had the chance to work with her, one thing was immediately evident: Silvia was an extremely honest and generous person, ready to do whatever she could (and sometimes even more) to help those she cared about (and you cannot imagine how many people that included!). It is those of us, while struggling with her loss, who would like to thank her for all the valuable love and support she was able to give.

Ciao Silvia, we will never forget you.

*Fabrizia Giannotta (Örebro University, Sweden)
and
Emanuela Rabaglietti, Antonella Roggero, and
Michele Settanni (University of Torino, Italy)*

Recently, Silvia Ciairano passed away. There were no prior indications that this was going to happen. In fact, prior indications suggested the very opposite. But sadly she is no longer with us.

I have known Silvia for a long time and I want to share some words. As members of EARA you will certainly be aware that Silvia was elected as the President Elect for our organization in Spetses this year. She was happy and enthusiastic to give her contribution in making EARA stronger. Almost one year prior to the EARA conference at Spetses, Silvia got in contact with me and reported a long list of suggestions that she felt would be good for the organization to adopt in both the short term and in the long run. This email was a looong one. I had to print it out and carefully read the details. I imagine all of you have received really long emails at one point or another where the sender

hopes you will comment on each and every point. I did not. I told Silvia to concentrate on two-to-three main points and hold the others back for the future. She did. When she was a candidate she brought forward the issues that she felt she could make a contribution to. She was elected as the President Elect.

Now, take a moment to think about the different people you have met in your lifetime. Which of them stand out? I am certain you will think about those who have made an important and positive contribution in your life as well as those individuals who you feel have had a bad influence. There is a further dimension; we tend to remember those who are different from the people we normally encounter. Silvia is precisely such a person. In any group Silvia would definitely make a large contribution to the variance of individual differences, statistically speaking. She stood out. She was a genuine person. During the many encounters we had, she had a lot of ideas and viewpoints that she had thought about and that she had good arguments for. She never failed to raise each and every one of them in common discussions.

This is how I remember Silvia. She had an indomitable energy to pursue her thoughts in all directions. I did not agree with all of them, but that did not stop her from trying again six months later.

Dear colleagues, it was a pleasure knowing Silvia. We have had many discussions and these memories will remain with me. But one thing stands out, which I think you will all agree with; there are few people you will ever meet with such boundless energy.

*Håkan Stattin (Center for Development
Research, Örebro University, Sweden)*

With the untimely death of Silvia Ciairano, developmental science has lost one of its rising stars. A leading scholar in developmental psychology at the University of Torino, Silvia has been a vigorous contributor to our understanding of youth development and of the underlying factors that determine whether outcomes across the later life course will be positive or compromised. Her 2003 volume, “Adolescents and Risk,” co-authored with longtime colleagues Bonino and Cattelino, was a

scholarly landmark, and the prodigious corpus of journal articles she subsequently authored solidified what is a lasting contribution to research on adolescence. In addition to her own scholarly work, she was able to gather around her and mentor a remarkable cohort of younger scholars who are already making their mark on our still emerging discipline.

I first met Silvia at a small planning conference for a cross-national study of adolescent health and development held in Gargonza, Italy, in the Spring of 1998. I remember being struck by the intensity of her involvement in the effort and her commitment to its implementation. It was the beginning of an enduring friendship and, over the years, I have had the pleasure of visiting Torino many times and engaging with Silvia about our common concern for understanding adolescence and for applying that knowledge to enhance healthy and positive development. Her warmth, her sense of humor, and her always present commitment to scholarship made those encounters memorable. I share with her many students and colleagues a deep sense of loss and sadness, and my sympathies go out to her family. Silvia's absence will be felt not only in Italian developmental science but in developmental science at large.

Richard Jessor (University of Colorado, USA)

Just two weeks after returning from the Spetses conference, Silvia's life ended prematurely. When we first learned this news we could hardly believe it. Silvia was at the top of her professional life and had so many plans for the future.

One thing that characterized Silvia was her strong commitment to the association and her eagerness to volunteer when things had to be organized. She was a member of EARA since 1998, and since 2006 was also member of the executive council of EARA. She invested lots of her time and energy in promoting the association. Many of you will have good memories of the 2008 EARA conference that took place in Turin, and several of EARA's student members still benefit from the methodological workshop Silvia organized in 2011. As President-elect of EARA, Silvia had many plans; so many in fact that one presidential

term would not have been nearly long enough to get everything implemented.

Silvia had a strong presence. When she entered the room she drew everyone's attention and she was always ready to share her opinion. With Silvia's death we lose a person with great enthusiasm and dynamism, who was very important for the association and for research on adolescence in Europe. It won't be difficult to keep her memory alive. Our thoughts are with her family and friends.

Susan Branje (EARA Secretary, Utrecht University, the Netherlands)

Report from the EARA conference in Spetses

Submitted by

Georgios Georgouleas, Asimina Ralli & Elias Besevegis (Athens University, Greece).

The 13th EARA Conference took place on the island of Spetses, Greece, from August 29 to September 1, 2012. More than 400 researchers and practitioners active in the field of adolescent research, from countries throughout Europe and the rest of the world, had the opportunity to exchange ideas, discuss their research findings and pose new questions for research. At the same time, they also enjoyed their stay in Spetses!

Main topics of the Conference included: Adolescent socialization (adolescents and parents, friendship and peer groups, employment, and community and subculture); adolescents at risk (emotional and behavioral problems, substance abuse, and risky sexual behavior); adolescent mental health (well-being, stress and coping, disabilities, intervention and treatment); adolescent identity formation (identity, self-esteem, social cognition, gender role, and ethnicity); research methodology (qualitative and quantitative methods, designs, and person vs. variable approaches).

The Conference program included almost 500 presentations, among them 6 keynote lectures by internationally recognized scholars and researchers (M. Born, J. Marcia, I. Seiffge-

Krenke, J. Conolly, A. Kokkevi, S. Russell, and J. Eccles), 46 symposia (13 invited) on key issues in adolescent development, 171 oral presentations organized in 37 oral sessions, 1 workshop and 125 posters organized into 7 poster sessions.

The social events of the conference, i.e., the opening ceremony and reception on the evening of Wednesday 29/8, the mayor of Spetses' reception on the evening of Thursday 30/8, the Gala dinner on Friday 31/8, and the closing ceremony on the evening of Saturday 1/9 at the open-air ancient theatre of the Anargyrios-Korgialenios School, were attended by most of the Conference participants.

During the Conference several EARA activities took place: The General Assembly of the Association, on Friday 31/8, the EARA National Representatives Meeting, on Thursday 30/8, and the welcome reception for the 14th EARA Conference (Izmir 2014), on Friday 31/8. The EARA Young Scholarship Award 2012 was given to L. Keijsers (Utrecht University, the Netherlands), who presented her topic during a special session on Saturday 1/9.

The EARA Student and Early Career Network Community organized a members meeting on Thursday 30/8, two 'Coffee & Conversation' meetings on Friday 31/8 and Saturday 1/9, and the 'Conversation with the Editors' meeting on Thursday 30/8.

The overall evaluation of this Conference can best be summarized in the words of W. Meeus, the new EARA president, who during the Closing Ceremony said: "This was the best EARA Conference ever"!

The EARA Lifetime Achievement Award: Professor John Coleman



Professor John Coleman, Senior Research Fellow at the University of Oxford (Great Britain)

The EARA Honorary Lifetime Achievement Award was assigned to Professor John Coleman, University of Oxford.

John Coleman has published widely in the area of childhood and adolescence studies. He is the author of one of the best-known books in this field, *"The nature of adolescence"*, now in its fourth edition and translated into 6 languages. Furthermore, he has authored 18 books and over 50 academic papers, and is the editor of the Routledge series *"Adolescence and society"*. Among his latest works, he published *"Adolescence and health"* in 2007, together with Leo Hendry and Marion Kloep, and *"Adolescence: risk and resilience"*, together with Ann Hagell, again in 2007. He wrote the 7th Edition of *"Key data on adolescence"* with Fiona Brooks and the 8th Edition (2011) with Fiona Brooks and Paul Threadgold. For many years he has been the editor of *Journal of Adolescence*, of which he is currently a Consulting Editor. Finally, he also served as Guest Editor of a special issue of the Oxford Review of Education entitled *"Well-being in schools"*, published in 2009.

He received his first degree at McGill University in Montreal. He completed his PhD at University

College, London in 1966, and trained as a clinical psychologist at the Middlesex Hospital. Since that time, he has worked with young people in a variety of settings, and in many different roles. He has carried out a range of research projects in schools, in the community, in prisons and in children's homes. He has worked as a clinical psychologist in adolescent units, and as the Director of a therapeutic community for troubled teenagers. He has been the Director of an independent research center, and has held various academic positions, most recently as a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Oxford.

John Coleman's contribution to the study of adolescence has been widely recognized nationally as well as internationally, and he is and has been an inspiration and a guide for the last two generations of researchers in adolescence.

The EARA Lifetime Achievement Award is an acknowledgement to his long-term contribution to research on adolescence.

The EARA Young Scholar Award: Dr. Loes Keijsers



Dr. Loes Keijsers, post-doctoral fellow at Research Centre Adolescent Development (Utrecht University, the Netherlands)

Dr. Loes Keijsers received the EARA Young Scholar Award during the last EARA conference in Spetses. Her contribution to research on

adolescence is impressive, considering her young age.

Loes completed her PhD at the Research Centre of Adolescent Development at Utrecht University, supervised by Professors Wim Meeus and Susan Branje. In her dissertation, "*Does Your Mother Know? Parent-Child Communication About Adolescent Daily Activities*", Loes focused on furthering our understanding of the development of several aspects of parent-child communication and the relationship with adolescent problem behavior.

Loes has focused on some "hot" topics in parenting research. Using the most sophisticated techniques of data analysis, such as Growth Curve Modeling, Cross-lagged Panel Modeling, Latent Class Growth Modeling, Growth Mixture Modeling, and Zero-Inflated Poisson Modeling, she investigated reciprocity in the relationship between adolescent management of information from parents and parental monitoring behaviors, such as parental solicitation and control, and the development of adolescent delinquency.

Her scientific productivity has been outstanding. She published 10 papers as first author and another 15 papers in high impact journals, such as *Developmental Psychology*, *Pediatrics*, *Child Development*, and *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*.

One of her papers, "Developmental links among parenting practices, adolescent disclosure, and delinquency: Moderation by parental support" was selected as the nr. 1 "hottest article" of *Developmental Psychology* in the periods of Nov-Dec 2009; Oct-Dec 2010; Jan-March 2011, April-June, 2011 and July-September, 2011.

Her dissertation was awarded *cum laude (highest distinction)*, and she also received the Ruigrok award from the Dutch Society for Science (Koninklijke Hollandsche Maatschappij der Wetenschappen) to stimulate talented young scientists.

Loes has been recently granted two NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research) grants. The first one, awarded jointly to herself and Susan Branje, is aimed at examining the non-linear longitudinal associations between parenting, delinquent peers, and adolescent engagement in delinquency. The second one is to integrate the most up-to-date

parenting research into practice within an existing parenting program for parents with unruly adolescents.

Loes is currently working as post-doctoral researcher at the Research Centre of Adolescent Development (Utrecht University), with Susan Branje.

Judging by her impressive track record, we are sure that we will be hearing more about her work in the future.

National Representatives: Second meeting in Spetses

At this year's conference, the National Representatives met for the second time. The Newsletter Editor (Fabrizia Giannotta) chaired the meeting. The agenda of the meeting focused on two points. Firstly, the tasks of representatives in the society were revised and confirmed. As established in the previous meeting, the representatives' role is to serve as the point of contact between nations' members and the greater EARA membership. Furthermore, they are expected to disseminate knowledge about the society in their respective countries in order to promote an increase in the number of members. Lastly, they are also expected to actively contribute to the newsletter.

The second point of the agenda was a prospective redesign of the newsletter format. Representatives discussed how they might contribute to make the newsletter more appealing and interesting. It was suggested to adopt a new format. Representatives will participate in the production of the newsletter by proposing a research topic and contacting national and international experts in that topic. The scope is to present state of the art research or to acknowledge new directions in the field, drawing upon the prominent European researchers that are engaged in that topic.

Representatives also agree that the newsletter should maintain a section specifically dedicated to EARA-related matters, as well as containing a more research-oriented section. The new format

will be provisionally implemented starting from the next issue. Members are invited to express their preferences and opinion about the new format and collaborate actively, contacting the editor, Fabrizia Giannotta.

Finally, it was also decided that the newsletter will be sent to its members as well as being published on the EARA website, in order to make its content searchable and readily accessible through web search engines, such as Google and Google scholar.

In the following table there a list of current representatives. There are many countries that are not represented. If you are a member from these countries and hold a PhD you are invited to candidate yourself as a representative, by contacting Fabrizia.

Nation	Representative
Austria	Dagmar Strohmeier
Belgium	Cécile Mathys
Cyprus	Olga Solomontos-Kountouri
Czech Republic	Jan Sirugek
Finland	Sami Maata
France	Lyda Lannegrand
Greece	Georgouleas Georgios
Italy	Alessio Vieno
Lithuania	Vilmante Pakaniskiene
Poland	Katarina Lubiejewski
Portugal	Maria do Ceu Salvador
Romania	Oana Alexandra Gavita
Spain	LuisJoaquin Garcia-Lopez
Sweden	Lauree Tilton-Weaver
Switzerland	Maya Suter
Turkey	Muge Artar

From the Student and Early Career Network (SECNet):

Student and Early Career Network Update and Opportunities

*Submitted by Shannon Snapp,
University of Arizona (USA)*

The Student and Early Career Network (SECNet) had several successful events at the 2012 EARA conference in Spetses, Greece. These events were meant to aid SECNet scholars in their professional development.

We kicked off the conference with a “Conversation with the Editors” in which editors from four adolescent-related journals shared their insights about how to get published. Our panelist included Wim Beyers, assistant editor of the *Journal of Adolescence*; Susan Branje, associate editor of the *Journal of Early Adolescence*; Jacquelynne Eccles, the editor of *Developmental Psychology*; and Marcel van Aken, editor of the *International Journal of Behavioral Development*. This session attracted over 40 participants, many of whom were mid-career professionals.

We also offered two “Coffee and Conversations” (CC) hours. The first CC session included round-table discussions with the following senior scholars: a) Jacquelynne Eccles shared her experience with work/life balance, b) Stephen T. Russell discussed how to share research with the public, and c) Ingrid Schoon talked about how to conduct cross-cultural research. SECNet members were asked to sit with the scholar of their choice to discuss these relevant professional development issues.

The second CC session included a Q&A with Lauree Tilton-Weaver and Sheila Marshall, organizers of the SRA/EARA summer school. SECNet scholars were encouraged to apply for the upcoming SRA/EARA summer school, and they had a chance to hear from this year’s summer school participants, all of whom thoroughly valued their experience.

In addition to these events, SECNet scholars also had a delicious seaside dinner and learned more

about our fellow SECNet members. It was a wonderful opportunity to build collaborations and friendships, and many of us have made plans to meet up at future conferences.

SECNet is currently accepting applications for leadership roles for the positions of Representative, Communications Manager/Team, Membership Manager, and Secretary. We would encourage students and early career professionals to join EARA and become an automatic member of SECNet. For more information and to apply for a leadership position, please contact SECNet Representative, Shannon Snapp, at sdsnapp@email.arizona.edu. Applications for leadership roles will be accepted until November 15th.

Report about EARA summer school in Spetses

*Submitted by Sheila Marshall
School of Social Work, The University of British Columbia (Vancouver, Canada)*

The 2012 summer school was held from August 24th – 28th at the historic Anargyrios-Korgialeneios School, located on Spetses, an island in the south of Greece. The event was directed by Lauree Tilton-Weaver and funded under the grant from the Jacobs Foundation, *Developing a Stable Structure for Research Training for Young Researchers in Europe and North America*.

The Senior Scholars selected by the steering committee and approved by the Jacobs Foundation were: Andrew Fuligni, Jaap Dennison, Luc Goossens, Patricia Hawley, Todd Little, Susan McHale, and James Youniss.

The attending Junior Scholars came from Europe, United States, Canada, and Kenya. The EARA/SRA summer school steering committee, comprised of Lauree Tilton-Weaver, Luc Goossens, Inge Seiffge-Krenke, Peter Noack, Reed Larson, Devora Shamah, Lora Dorn, and Sheila Marshall (chair), selected the students. The four EARA steering committee members reviewed European and African applications and the four SRA steering committee members reviewed the applications from the Americas. Reviews from each group of committee members were used to select the top ranked students, with each committee selecting 12 students in total. The selection committees attended to evidence of

excellence in research and stage of career (not yet finishing the dissertation). They also tried to ensure representation of geographic regions, disciplinary approaches to adolescent research, and topical areas.

Of the 24 selected candidates, 22 attended the summer school in Spetses. Two were unable to attend due to health problems that emerged just before the start of the event.

The summer school was designed to meet four learning objectives: to (1) expose students to different areas of adolescent research, (2) enhance students' understanding of their own research, (3) build relationships with others to promote inter-disciplinary, cross-national research, and (4) enhance students' professional development.

In the following, you can find a report about the summer school written by two Junior scholars, Pieter Baay and Chris Napolitano

Sometimes, an off-hand comment by an advisor or an unexpected listserv e-mail can be the turning point that changes an academic career. These turning points can lead to new opportunities, to new collaborations, and to a journey halfway around the world. One such – almost serendipitous – turning point in the academic career of twenty-two junior scholars has been this year's EARA/SRA summer school in Spetses, Greece. This is a report from two of those scholars, roommates Pieter Baay and Chris Napolitano.

Our bags and computers packed with research articles from senior researchers, power point presentations on our dissertations and bathing clothes – just in case – we arrived at the beautiful island of Spetses. This inspirational environment seemed the perfect setting to improve our understanding of theories, research designs, and methodological challenges that present in adolescence research.

The opening communication workshop acknowledged the differences between the participants from all around the globe and set the stage for an on-going discussion on commonalities and differences between all participants. We Americans were reminded to speak slowly. We Europeans were reminded to speak up. These reminders were important: It seemed that wherever we were during the

summer school Junior scholars from around the world shared ideas and plans to collaborate.

A focal point of the summer school was the talks from the senior scholars on wide-ranging topics such as gene-environment interactions (Luc Goossens), family assistance (Andrew Fuligni), parent-child relationships (Jaap Denissen), sibling relationships (Susan McHale), planned missingness (Todd Little), civic engagement (Jim Youniss), and an evolutionary approach to aggression (Patricia Hawley). Apart from presenting their outstanding research, the seniors challenged us with diverse assignments and commented on our dissertation progress.

Equally importantly, the Senior Scholars were willing to share all their experience and suggestions relevant to our career development. This way, seniors and juniors got to know each other at a deeper professional and personal level, which many of us had not experienced before.

This summer school has not only affected the development of individuals' academic careers, but rather, the intense week of exchange of knowledge and ideas has led both seniors and juniors to discover previously unknown shared research interests. Juniors presented their theoretical framework, which were feasibly testable via datasets from the Seniors or which appeared to show considerable overlap with another Junior's research. This way, cross-national and cross-disciplinary relations were built that will doubtlessly lead to senior-junior as well as junior-junior collaboration in the future.

On behalf of all junior scholars, we would like to thank the inspiring senior scholars, the organizing committee (Lauree Tilton-Weaver and Sheila Marshall), and the generous Jacobs Foundation for creating this turning point in our academic careers. Ευχαριστώ πολύ!



Senior and junior scholars of the EARA summer school in Spetses

Announcement of the next EARA-SRA summer school

Submitted by Manfred van Dulmen
Kent State University (USA)

Since 2008, EARA and SRA have jointly organized summer schools, which are training grounds for young scholars interested in adolescent development. Originally held by EARA, the summer schools have been a tradition since 2001 with generous funding by the Johan Jacobs Foundation. The summer schools bring together established researchers, recognized for their expertise and teaching abilities, with doctoral students from around the globe for five intensive days of research training. The training includes exposure to innovative and creative research as well as workshops focusing on professional skills. The summer schools have given students enthusiasm to search for scientific guidance beyond the borders of their countries and the walls of their universities.

In 2013, the summer school will be held in Kent (Ohio), USA from June 16th to June 23rd. The



site for the school is Kent State University.

The Senior Scholars attending next year's event include (in alphabetical order): Deborah Capaldi, Toon Cillessen, W. Andrew Collins, Joanne Davila, Carolyn Tucker Halpern, Patrick Heaven, Geert-Jan Overbeek, Sally Powers, Katariina Salmela-Aro, and Christiane Spiel.

Kent State University, with over 22,000 students, is located in **Kent, Ohio** (population 30,000). Kent is within a short drive of the culinary and recreational offerings of the cities of **Akron** and **Cleveland** in the Northeast corner of Ohio. Among the many attractions of the area are the Blossom Music Center, summer home of the Cleveland Orchestra and site of numerous pop and rock concerts; parks and recreation areas such as the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area and Lake Erie; major museums of art and history, professional sports and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

We invite doctoral students from any part of the world to apply. A total of 24 students will be selected on the basis of their academic records, research experience, letters of recommendation, and overall evidence of scientific aptitude and competence. Students who apply should have their doctoral research planned or underway, but not completed. Preference is given to students who are mid-way in their research, so that they can benefit from the critiques given during the school. Students will receive travel subsidies (as much of the total cost as possible), with accommodation and meals paid for by the school.

HOW DO YOU APPLY?

Send the following documents in English, saved as Word (.docx) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) files.

1. Your curriculum vitae (labeled yourname.cv)
2. A short description of your dissertation topic and progress so far (1-2 pages double spaced), (labeled yourname.dissertation)
3. A recommendation letter from your supervisor (labeled yourname.docx).

Send the files, by email, to the Director of the 2013 EARA-SRA Summer School:
Dr. Manfred van Dulmen (mvandul@kent.edu).

Applications must be received by **December 15th, 2012**. All applications received by that date will be evaluated by members of the EARA-SRA Summer School Committee, with notifications emailed by February 15th, 2013.

Announcement of video conference on peer relations

Submitted by Cécile Mathys
(Departement of psychology of delinquency, University of Liege, Belgium)

Friends and colleagues:
On November 9th we will be presenting a video conference on peer relations.
Information about the conference can be found at the following Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Video-Conference-on-Peer-Relations/436502103055595>

We hope you can join us for this new format for presenting information about current research on peer relations.

Please feel free to send information about this video conference to others who might be interested.

The system we will use to transmit the video conference will be able to handle up to 500 viewers.

Anyone interested in peer relations is welcome.

Thank you.

William M. Bukowski (Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada)
Julie W. Bowker (University at Buffalo)
Allison Ryan (University of Michigan)
Amanda Rose (University of Missouri)

Conference Announcements

1) 16th European Conference on Developmental Psychology

Submitted by Maya Suter
(University Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Department, Lausanne, Switzerland)

The European Association for Developmental Psychology (formerly ESDP) was founded in 1994, under the initiative of G. Butterworth and S. Jackson. Biennial European Conferences on Developmental Psychology, as regional conferences of the ISSBD, have been held since 1983, in Groningen, Rome, Budapest, Stirling, Seville, Bonn and Krakow. Since the 8th conference in Rennes (1997), European Conferences on Developmental Psychology were held under the official auspices of ESDP/EADP, in Spetses, Uppsala, Milan, Tenerife, Jena, Vilnius, and Bergen. The next European Conference on Developmental Psychology will be held in Lausanne in Switzerland, from September 3 – to September 7, 2013.

The conference aims to present an overview of current European research in developmental psychology in all its varieties. The program will cover all aspects and research domains of developmental psychology, with a particular focus on bridging clinical and developmental sciences. The organizing committee is therefore composed of both clinical and developmental researchers from two Departments of the Lausanne University, the Institute of Psychology, and the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Department, in association with the Brain Mind Institute of the Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne. The unification of fundamental and clinical sciences represents a specific area of expertise in Lausanne. Besides this, Lausanne is a destination like no other. Richly blessed by nature, it boasts all the advantages of a major Swiss city and a small European metropolis, thanks to its exceptional range of attractions, services, schools, sporting and cultural amenities, care centers, hotels, restaurants, and shops.

Important dates

September 15, 2012.....On-line abstract submission opened

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March 15, 2013.....Notification of acceptance

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2) The 3rd International Conference of the EUSPR

(European Society for Prevention Research)
6/7 December 2012, Krakow, Poland.
http://euspr.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=72&Itemid=63

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April 18-20, 2013 Seattle, Washington, USA.
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