



# ISPP News

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*The purpose of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) is to facilitate communication across disciplinary, geographic and political boundaries, among scholars and concerned individuals in government and public posts, the communications media and elsewhere, who have a scientific interest in the relationship between politics and psychological processes. In so doing, ISPP aims to continue to advance scholarship in political psychology, and to contribute to the usefulness of work in political psychology.*

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

It has been a busy year at ISPP, with a successful conference in Portland, a change to the ISPP constitution concerning the election process for ISPP President and Vice President, and lots of work preparing for what may be our biggest annual meeting ever in Paris next July. Through all of this, ISPP has remained on solid footing in terms of our membership numbers and our day-to-day financial sustainability. As of early October, the Society has registered over eight-hundred 2007 members, representing fifty-two countries from every continent in the world. Roughly one-quarter of our members are students, indicating a continuing trend of young scholars joining ISPP.

In this issue you'll find information on the many reasons why scholars and practitioners continue to call ISPP their intellectual home. From a new award for the best dissertation in political psychology, to initiatives to expand ISPP's support of junior scholars, we continue our work to positively contribute to the work of our members.

I am grateful to the energetic and competent group of retiring officers who concluded their service to ISPP in 2007. Among them are Leonie Huddy, stepping down after three years as Vice President; Past President Maritza Montero; retiring Governing Council members Paul Nesbitt-Larking, Felicia Pratto, Peter Schmidt, and Alyssa Zucker; and retiring Junior Scholars Committee Chair, Melinda Jackson. Their contributions will be missed. Finally, I want to express my appreciation to George Marcus for his service as ISPP President. Two years ago, outgoing ISPP President Janusz Reykowski

noted the similarities between the tenure of an ISPP President and the life of a butterfly: both being glorious, but ultimately brief. George made the most out of his time as a butterfly, launching a major effort to strengthen ISPP's endowment policy, helping to launch a new award for the best dissertation in Political Psychology, working to honor Roberta Sigel through the establishment of the Roberta Sigel Fund, and spending countless hours in a successful effort to bring ISPP's annual meeting to Sciences Po in Paris for 2008.

—Bruce W. Dayton

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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**HAIL FROM THE CHIEF**

**Welcome.** It is my pleasure as ISPP President to join with the other officers, the Governing Council, and the Executive Director and his staff in sending you good wishes for the academic year.

**Paris Meeting.** Program Co-chairs Tereza Capelos and Cheryl Koopman—also our President-Elect—have assembled an excellent group of section heads for the next annual ISPP meeting, to be held at Sciences Po in Paris, France, from July 9-July 12, 2008. The theme will be “Building Bridges: Political Psychology and Other Disciplines, Political Psychology and the World.” I hope you will check the ISPP website (<http://ISPP.org>) to find the call for papers (also on page 4 of this newsletter) and information about the Paris meeting, as well as information about other ISPP activities. I encourage you to submit individual papers or to propose roundtables and/or panels, and to invite friends and colleagues from other disciplines to attend the ISPP.

**2009 Meeting.** Cheryl Koopman, our President-Elect, is preparing for the 2009 meeting in Dublin. If you have any suggestions about that meeting, I am sure Cheryl would welcome them: [Koopman@stanford.edu](mailto:Koopman@stanford.edu).

**Nominations.** This year, the ISPP will elect its officers using a new system. I encourage you to send nominations, including self-nominations, to me or to the Executive Director, Bruce Dayton, by December 1st. Addresses are [KRMonroe@uci.edu](mailto:KRMonroe@uci.edu) and [BWDayton@maxwell.syr.edu](mailto:BWDayton@maxwell.syr.edu). If you have nominations—again, including self-nominations—for any of ISPP’s awards, including the new Dissertation Award, please check the website and send the nomination to the chair of the appropriate committee (more information on page 7 of this newsletter).

**Programs in Political Psychology.** If you have information about courses or programs in political psychology, or web resources, please send them to Miriam Matthews, of the Junior Scholars Committee (more information on page 10 of this newsletter).

**Appreciation.** Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank the many people who make ISPP the successful organization it is. Bruce and Radell Roberts

run the Central Office with efficiency and good humor. Linda Patton and her team at Waynelete make sure our summer meetings are set up and running effectively. Our elected officers, our members who serve on ISPP committees and our editorial teams (this newsletter, the journal, and the Advances series) all work throughout the year, in numerous ways, to serve the organization. But most of all ISPP depends on you, all of our members, to retain your enthusiasm for political psychology and to generate the new research, new methodologies, and new approaches to teaching that make political psychology such a vibrant field. We depend on your input and suggestions to make the society ever better able to serve you. If you have suggestions on how best to do this, or questions about any ISPP-related business, please feel free to contact me directly ([KRMonroe@uci.edu](mailto:KRMonroe@uci.edu)).

I look forward to seeing each of you in Paris.

Warm regards,  
—Kristen Renwick Monroe  
2007-08 President

**PRESIDENTIAL FAREWELL**

**LITTLE THINGS**

The final moments of the Portland meeting marked the end of my term as president of the International Society of Political Psychology. From my perspective it was a very good meeting and a good year—the awards the Society presented at the meeting marked and celebrated the many individuals who in one fashion or another advanced the discipline of political psychology through their service to the society and by the strength of their scholarship.

It is of course an important service to the discipline that we memorialize our exemplars and that alone would give sufficient purpose to the International Society of Political Psychology. But the Society has many other responsibilities. ISPP is a rather small society—its membership though rising is still south of 1000 individuals. As with other academic societies there is a group of elected to give direction and to make important choices among competing visions and competing claims on our limited resources. To that dedicated group of volunteers add the many other officers of the society, the editors of our publications,

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the administrative officers both in the Central Office and from our membership, our conference planning partners at WayneFlete—all contribute their energies to make the society work.

Indeed, candidates for awards have their work reviewed, considered, and a decision is reached; funds are collected and dispersed; cities and hotels are reviewed with an eye to a possible location for annual scientific meetings; program chairs, sections heads, panel chairs, and discussants all work to construct our program offerings during our annual meetings; submissions to the journal are received and processed to arrive at the smaller number that will be published; books are received and reviewed; materials are assembled for the newsletter and for the website. Members active in our Junior Scholars Committee energetically advance the work of the discipline by initiating a new award for the best dissertation in political psychology, just announced, as well as taking the lead in raising funds to honor one our best mentors and noted worthy scholars, Roberta Sigel. These and many other tasks are given to many individuals—and the well-being of the society and the discipline depend on the fruits of their labors, labors that are most often done with little expectation of public recognition. That speaks highly to the importance we all give to the discipline and our willingness to contribute not just to our own scholarship but to the collective effort.

It may have struck you—I hope it has—that I have not mentioned anyone by name but merely listed some, and not even all, of the various roles—those who take up the little things—that need be done to make ISPP a reality. I would of course wish to acknowledge and give thanks to all who contributed this past year but I have a larger point to make. For the society to endure, every year, indeed every day, many of us will have to take up these little things—and do them well—not just this year but every year. To all those who have done so this year, in years past, and to all who will take up these tasks and more this coming year and I hope the years to come, you have my thanks. I hope as each of you benefits from these little things you will take a moment to give thanks as well, and, perhaps if the impulse arises, to contribute your energies too. You will benefit, and so will we.

—George Marcus, 2006-07 President  
Williams College

## ISPP ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ROBERTA SIGEL FUND CAMPAIGN Help us reach our \$25,000 goal!

You may already be familiar with the Roberta Sigel Fund, established in 1996 to support the Roberta Sigel Junior Scholar Paper Award for the best paper presented each year by junior scholar authors at the ISPP annual scientific meeting.

This year, in honor of Roberta's 90th birthday, we have launched a major campaign to create the Roberta Sigel Endowment Fund to support junior scholars of the International Society of Political Psychology.

We need your help! We have raised \$10,000 for the Sigel Endowment Fund so far this year, thanks to the efforts of many generous donors. But in order to reach our goal of \$25,000 by the end of 2007, we are asking you to make a contribution today in support of ISPP junior scholars.

This enlarged Sigel Endowment will of course continue to support the Sigel Paper Award. If this campaign is successful, with your help, we also plan to expand support for junior scholars via:

- A new ISPP Dissertation Award,
- Travel Scholarships for the annual meeting,
- Scholarships to attend Summer Institutes in Political Psychology in the US, Latin America, and Europe.

We are very excited about extending Roberta's legacy in support of junior scholars for years to come. Instructions for donating to the Roberta Sigel Endowment Fund by check or credit card are listed on the ISPP webpage: <http://ispp.org/SigelFundAppeal2007.html>. Your help in making this campaign a success is greatly appreciated!

—Monica Schneider,  
Junior Scholars Committee (JSC) Chair  
—Melinda Jackson, JSC Past Chair  
—Lauren Appelbaum, JSC Past Chair  
—Bruce Dayton, Executive Director  
—Kristen Renwick Monroe, President 2007-2008  
—George Marcus, Past President  
—Cheryl Koopman, President-Elect

## ISPP ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL FOR PAPERS

**Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)  
July 9th – 12th 2008  
Paris, France**

*Conference Theme:* “Building Bridges: Political Psychology and Other Disciplines,  
Political Psychology and the World”

*Program Co-Chairs:* Tereza Capelos, Leiden University; Cheryl Koopman, Stanford University

*ISPP 2007-08 President:* Kristen Monroe, University of California, Irvine

Join us for the 2008 ISPP annual scientific meeting in Paris! The theme of the conference is “Building Bridges: Political Psychology and Other Disciplines, Political Psychology and the World”.

Political psychology covers a wide diversity of approaches and theories. It has close ties to disciplines such as social and cognitive psychology, political science, neuroscience, philosophy, psychoanalysis, history, sociology, communications, international relations, political economy, and formal theory. In acquiring greater visibility as a specialty, political psychology is devoting greater attention to the breadth of concerns in the world outside of academia. Political psychology thus faces the question: How can political psychology better connect and build bridges both with other disciplines and with the world?

To address this question, the Program Chairs seek to create a culture of informed discussion and exchange of ideas focused on two areas. First, we encourage papers that address the ties, challenges, and commonalities between political psychology and other scholarly disciplines. Second, we encourage panels that inquire about how political psychologists can both share their scholarly knowledge with, and in turn gain knowledge from, politicians and political activists.

The goal of the 2008 ISPP Annual Scientific Meeting thus is to create a hospitable forum to facilitate constructive dialogue between political psychologists, politicians, and intellectuals, regarding the challenges facing our world. Such collaboration can pave the way toward an improved political psychology, one that not only scrutinizes its progress, but is also able to demonstrate the relevance of our work beyond the academic borders of our discipline. Proposals are particularly welcomed that promote cooperation and communication between academics and non academics who share the passion for understanding the psychological underpinnings of politics.

#### **Format**

*Paper and Panel proposals:* Each panel includes up to 4 papers addressing a common substantive topic, a chair, and up to two discussants. We accept individual paper submissions, which subsequently will be grouped into panels with similar papers, and will be assigned a chair and discussants. We also accept completed proposals for panels that include papers and identify the discussant and chair, which can be submitted by the panel chair.

#### *Discussants and Chairs*

Because every panel will have a chair and a discussant in order to stimulate discussion and valuable feedback, all presenters at the conference will most likely be assigned the role of a discussant or a chair at a panel on which they are *not* presenting a paper. If you would like to serve in this role for a specific area of study that fits your interests and expertise, you can submit a request through the online submission system.

*Roundtables:* Roundtables involve two or more presenters who articulate their views on a particular topic. This

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can be a research area, a particular book, a method, or some other topic. We accept only proposals for whole roundtables, including the participants and a chair, which can be submitted by the roundtable chair. We do not accept individual proposals to join a roundtable.

*Poster Sessions:* Poster sessions are designed to present research projects in all their phases. Posters can include information on data, results, conclusion, applications, or implementation of instruments and techniques. The aim of poster sessions is to be interactive and to provide exchange and discussion of ideas between the poster’s author and the people viewing the posters. We accept individual poster proposals, which can be submitted to the appropriate section chairs.

*Workshops:* Workshops serve to instruct or give the audience practice in methods for political psychological research or might focus on practical program training relevant to political psychology. Workshops not charging additional fees will be given the same time slot as the other formats. Those wishing to require a fee for materials and needing a longer time slot to conduct a workshop should contact the program chair. We accept proposals for workshops, which can be submitted by the workshop chair. We do not accept individual proposals to join a workshop.

There will also be 60-minute keynote addresses as well as 60-minute hot books discussions in which recent ground-breaking books of interest to political psychologists are described or read from by the author(s), and then reviewed by other presenters with time provided for audience questions and comments. These will be solicited for the program by invitation only.

**Sections**

Panels, Roundtables, Posters, and Workshops can be submitted to maximum of two of the ten sections listed below, with one designated as the presenter’s first choice and the other designated as second. Each section is marked with keywords associated with its most relevant topics, to assist participants in identifying the sections that best match their research interests.

| # | Section Name   | Key Words  | Section Chairs                       |
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| 1 | Political Conflict, Violence, and Crisis             | violence, conflict, conflict resolution, reconciliation, amnesty, terrorism, genocide, war, peace, natural disasters, political crises, compassion, volunteering | Neil Ferguson<br>John Horgan         |
| 2 | Intergroup Relations                                 | stereotyping, prejudice, politics of belonging and construction of otherness (religion, gender, class, ethnicity) social dominance, legitimacy                   | Evanthia Lyons<br>Scott Blinder      |
| 3 | Leadership and Political Personality                 | political leaders, presidency, elites, political personality, accountability, reputation   | Christ’l de Landsheer<br>Cary Funk   |
| 4 | Electoral Behavior, Participation and Public Opinion | voting, civil society movements, deliberation, activism, cynicism, alienation  | Shawn Rosenberg<br>Marco Steenbergen |

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| 5  | Political Communication                                       | mass media, internet, framing, priming, persuasion, advertising, propaganda, political campaigns                               | Ann Crigler<br>Danie Stockmann       |
| 6  | Political Culture, Identity and Language                      | political and national identities, cultural memory and identity, political narratives, discourse analysis, political language  | Catarina Kinnvall<br>Molly Andrews   |
| 7  | Political Decision Making                                     | cognition, affect, motivation, information processing, heuristics, biases, impression formation, political learning            | Bob Huckfeldt<br>David Redlawsk      |
| 8  | Democracy and Civic Development                               | citizenship, civic engagement, participation, democratic values, social movements, collective action, social justice           | Paul Nesbitt-Larking<br>Peggy Schyns |
| 9  | International Relations, Globalization, Macropolitical Issues | transitional politics, globalization, international negotiation, global and local economy, societal and environmental change   | Bruce Dayton                         |
| 10 | New Theoretical and Methodological Developments               | critical approaches in methodology and theory, interdisciplinary methodologies, areas of controversy, new areas of application | Helen Haste<br>Eric Dickson          |
| 11 | Other   | For proposals that do not fit in any of the other sections please submit as 'Other.'   | Tereza Capelos<br>Cheryl Koopman     |

The International Society of Political Psychology and the co-chairs for the Paris 2008 conference emphasize methodological and theoretical plurality in all participations and welcome all approaches and all topics.

**Proposal Submission**

**Submission of proposals opens in early October 2007, and the deadline is February 1, 2008.** Visit the ISPP Annual Meeting website at: <http://ispp.org/meet.html> to submit your proposal electronically.

Please note that all presenters, panel chairs, and discussants will need to register and pay for conference attendance. Also, if your paper submission is accepted, you are expected to electronically upload a copy of your research paper or report for the public archives by June 23<sup>rd</sup>. You are also expected to distribute it by email to all members of your panel (other presenters, chair, and discussant) by the same date. Finally, if your submission is accepted, you may be assigned a presentation time on any of the days of the conference.

We look forward to your participation. If you have any questions, contact us at [ispp.conference@yahoo.com](mailto:ispp.conference@yahoo.com). And please help us spread the word by posting and distributing the flier on page 14 of this newsletter.

—Tereza Capelos, Leiden University  
—Cheryl Koopman, Stanford University  
Program Chairs

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### ISPP AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Announcing the newly created ISPP Dissertation Award!

The International Society of Political Psychology is pleased to announce the establishment of a Best Dissertation Award, to be given for the first time at the 2008 Annual Meeting in Paris!

**Deadline: January 15, 2008**

All Ph.D. dissertations within the field of political psychology are eligible for consideration, regardless of home discipline. Dissertations should represent an independent piece of research that is the sole work of the author and gains the highest degree at the author's university.

**Nominations are due by Jan. 15, 2008**, for dissertations completed and successfully defended between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007. Eligible dissertations must be nominated by the thesis advisor, or a thesis committee member. Nominees must be current ISPP members.

Nominations should be submitted electronically and must include a one-page abstract (300 word), a 10-page (3000 word) summary of the dissertation, and a letter of recommendation from the thesis advisor or committee member, all in English. Nominations should be submitted to the award committee co-chairs: Felicia Pratto (felicia.pratto@uconn.edu) and Christopher Federico (federico@umn.edu).

The award committee will request a copy of the full dissertation for those selected to participate in the second round evaluation. If the dissertation is written in a language other than English, the full dissertation may be submitted in the original language for the second round evaluation, and at least one qualified reader fluent in that language will be included as a committee member for the second round evaluation. Full dissertations requested for second round evaluation should be submitted electronically, formatted for 8.5 x 11 inch paper, single-spaced, 12 point font.

As this is a new award, we also ask your assistance in

forwarding this announcement to Directors of Graduate Studies at your institution, and other appropriate parties.

—Felicia Pratto, felicia.pratto@uconn.edu  
—Christopher Federico, federico@umn.edu  
2008 ISPP Best Dissertation Award  
Committee Co-Chairs

### The Alexander George Book Award

The **Alexander George Book Award** honors the best book published in political psychology during the previous year. The 2007 award committee consisted of Tom Nelson, Daniel Bar-Tal, Kimberly Gross, Richard Herrmann, and Ned Lebow. We began with 19 nominees, which were narrowed to six finalists. Two books, *The Psychology Of Nuclear Proliferation* by **Jacques A. C. Hymans**, and *How Voters Decide* by **Richard R. Lau and David P. Redlawsk**, received the award. Each step of the process involved difficult choices, and several important and valuable works had to be passed over in the selection of our two winners.

Awarding two prizes, while a little unorthodox, was our unanimous preference. Selecting one winner from this pair of fine books was like comparing the proverbial apples and oranges. Indeed, the two winners beautifully exemplify the depth and diversity of political psychology today.

Lau and Redlawsk's book is a social-cognitive analysis of voter decision-making. Across several experiments employing innovative, rich designs, they address the fundamental question: Can democracy survive the all-too-human weaknesses of its citizens? Their reassuring answer is that voters actually do a better job than most of us give them credit for—an answer they substantiate by drawing on data from outside the laboratory as well. The committee praised the book for its "impressive combination of psychological theory and rigorous empirical tests."

Hyman's book begins by posing a deceptively simple question: Why don't states with the capabilities to develop nuclear weapons go ahead and develop them?

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To answer, he looks deeply at four separate cases, and finds that leadership is the critical component. The psychological analysis is well-informed and perceptively applied in Hyman's theory of how national identity shapes leader decisions. It is fitting that the late Alexander George himself praised the book, calling it a "novel, compelling challenge to the conventional wisdom."

—Tom Nelson, 2006-07 committee chair

The members of this year's (2007-08) committee for the Alexander George Book Award are Doris Graber, University of Illinois/Chicago, Chair; James Gibson, Washington University; Ned Lebow, Dartmouth University; Janice Stein, University of Toronto; and Stephen Walker, Arizona State University. **Published books carrying a 2007 copyright may be nominated for the 2008 award by individuals or publishers until April 1, 2008.** Nominations must be accompanied by a brief (500 words or less) statement indicating why the nominator believes that the book "demonstrates the highest quality of thought and makes a major substantive book-length contribution to the field of political psychology."

Publishers should send a copy of the nominated book along with their recommendation. Nominations should be sent to **Professor Doris Graber, Department of Political Science, MC 276, University of Illinois, 1007 W. Harrison Street, Chicago, IL, 60607-7137**

### The Knutson Award

The **Jeanne Knutson Award** is an occasional award. The Knutson award is presented to memorialize exceptional contributions to the Society. It is only when the past president, president, and president elect, which is the selection committee, determine that an appropriate candidate is before us that an award is presented.

This year the committee determined that in it had such an exceptional candidate, **Donald Sylvan**. Having completed an extended term as treasurer of the society, his many contributions extended beyond his service as treasurer. It should be noted that his service as treasurer was exemplary in times sometimes tranquil and sometimes troubled. Beyond that, as a longtime member of

the Executive Committee and Governing Council, he contributed wise council adding an important measure of grace to his our often challenging circumstances.

—George Marcus, for the 2006-07 committee

If you have any nominations for the **2008 Knutson Award, please send them to Kristen Monroe at KRMonroe@UCI.Edu by Jan. 1, 2008.** The Award Committee members are George Marcus, Cheryl Koopman, and Kristen Monroe.

### The Lasswell and Sanford Awards

The Lasswell and Sanford Awards Committee, chaired this year by Rose McDermott, invites nominees for the Lasswell and/or Sanford Awards.

The Lasswell Award is given for distinguished scientific contribution in the field of political psychology. It is named for Harold Lasswell, one of the first to apply psychology to the analysis of politics. He was also one of the first to encounter the problems of interdisciplinary work: because of resistance to his ideas, from 1937 to 1950 not a single article of his was published in a political science journal. However, he continued to publish (in psychological and psychiatric journals, and books), and so ultimately he won recognition, being elected President of APSA in 1955. He taught at Chicago, Yale, CUNY, Temple, and finally Columbia.

The Sanford Award is given for distinguished professional contribution in the field of political psychology. It is named for Nevitt Sanford. Sanford was deeply influenced by John Dewey, who imposed upon the scholar the obligation to put knowledge to work in the solution of social problems. Sanford's problem-centered approach to the generation of human knowledge involved not only perceiving but also doing or making, so his interests ranged widely through the disciplines. His specialization was in personality theory and human problems, particularly the authoritarian personality and social destructiveness, higher education and adult development. This award, set up in the honor of Nevitt Sanford, is to be given yearly to someone deemed to be 1) engaged in the practical application of political psychological principles, or 2) creating knowledge that is accessible and used by practitioners to make

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a positive difference in the way politics is carried out.

The ISPP website provides a list of those who have been awarded in the past. **Congratulations to last year's winners, David Winter (Lasswell Award) and Doris Graber (Sanford Award).** 2008 award-ees will be recognized at the 2008 annual meeting in Paris. Each will be asked to give a talk at the 2009 annual meeting in recognition of their work in the field.

Please send nominations to Rose McDermott, preferably by email: [rmcdermott@polsci.ucsb.edu](mailto:rmcdermott@polsci.ucsb.edu). All nomination must include a C.V. of the nominee and an argumentation why he or she deserves the award. **The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2008.**

### The Markwell Award

The Markwell Media Award is presented to a person or organization in the media whose work best reflects the purposes and the spirit of the International Society of Political Psychology. The award is open to any institution, journalist, or other media source that demonstrates concern for the political psychological factors that are central to the ISPP. Please send nominations, with as much information as possible about why the nominee should receive this award, to either 2008 co-chair: Felicia Pratto ([felicia.pratto@uconn.edu](mailto:felicia.pratto@uconn.edu)) or Jerrold Post ([jmpost@pol-psych.com](mailto:jmpost@pol-psych.com)) **by Feb. 1, 2008.**

### The Erikson Award

The Erikson Early Career Award is named for Erik Erikson, the "Father of Psychosocial Development." The award recognizes and celebrates exceptional achievement and is awarded to an individual who is a member of ISPP and within a decade of receiving their Ph.D. First awarded in 1982, the list of recipients of the Erikson Award is a compendium of those who are among the most prominent leaders in political psychology today. **Congratulations to Christopher Federico, the 2007 award winner!** You are encouraged to nominate candidates who have demonstrated excellence and creativity in the field of political psychology for the 2008 award. Please send nominations to committee chair **Catarina Kinnvall: [Catarina.Kinnvall@svet.lu.se](mailto:Catarina.Kinnvall@svet.lu.se) by Jan. 15, 2008.**

### The Sigel Award

The Sigel Award is given to junior scholar authors of the best papers presented at annual scientific meetings. Congratulations to **Christopher Federico**, the 2007 winner! The deadline for 2008 nominations has passed. Thanks to all who submitted.

## JSC NEWS

### Update from the Junior Scholars Committee

The Junior Scholars Committee continues to dedicate itself to planning events specifically for the benefit of those scholars who are currently graduate students or in their first few years of professorship. This year, our biggest effort has been to increase the Roberta Sigel Fund, which provides monetary support and prizes to junior scholars! At the Portland conference, we hosted many successful events, including a Publishing Roundtable which included book series editor Dennis Chong and the editors of Political Psychology, a Career Development Roundtable on finding a job in political psychology, a Mentoring Roundtable on post-dissertation research, and a Junior Scholars Social Hour. In addition, we coordinated a Mentoring Program matching junior and senior scholars as well as a Roommate Matching Service. Look for these events to continue at the Paris conference! New this year is an exciting ISPP dissertation award, more information on the ISPP website about conference tips for junior scholars, travel tips, and political psychology course syllabi. Please send your comments and suggestions to Monica Schneider, the JSC chair, or to the appropriate JSC member, posted on the ISPP website (<http://ispp.org/jsc/jsccomm.html>).

—Monica Schneider, JSC Chair,  
Miami University of Ohio, [mschneider@muohio.edu](mailto:mschneider@muohio.edu)

### ISPP Mentorship Program Returns in Paris!

The Junior Scholars Committee Mentorship Coordinators work to match Junior scholars with Senior scholars who share similar research interests. An opportunity for mentors and mentees to meet will be scheduled at

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the 2008 Paris meeting. Note that this is not a long-term commitment from either person—it is simply another way for junior and senior scholars to make the most of the ISPP meeting experience! If you’d like to impart some of your sage advice to a fresh-faced scholar, or if you have burning questions that only a wise, esteemed colleague can answer, then the ISPP mentorship program is for you. When you register for the 2008 meeting (in the Spring), please check the box to participate in the ISPP Mentorship Program. All registrants who indicate interest by 1 May 2008 will be guaranteed a match in the Mentorship Program; all others registering after that date will be matched to the best of our abilities. Be on the lookout for more details and other ways to sign up. See you in Paris!

—Janice Adelman, JSC

**Update of Political Psychology Resources**

The JSC is in the process of helping to update the ISPP website. We are looking for information on Political Psychology courses (<http://ispp.org/courses.html>), Political Psychology programs (<http://ispp.org/programs.html>), and Political Psychology web resources (<http://ispp.org/ppres.html>).

Please send any information, including website URLs, to **Miriam at [miriam.matthews@cgu.edu](mailto:miriam.matthews@cgu.edu) by December 1, 2007**, so they may be posted on the ISPP website. Thank you for your continued assistance!

—Miriam Matthews, JSC

**PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUMMER INSTITUTE IN POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY**

July 13-August 1, 2008

The Institute for Research in the Social Sciences is pleased to announce that it plans to host the 2008 Summer Institute in Political Psychology (SIPP) this coming summer. Directed by Stanford Professor Jon Krosnick, SIPP is a three-week intensive training program introducing graduate students and professionals

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to the world of political psychology scholarship.

**The History of SIPP**

Political psychology is a thriving forum for interdisciplinary exchange and collaboration in political science, psychology, and other social science fields. The practitioners are spread across the world, and the emerging range of scholarship is broad and varied. To help facilitate graduate training in the area, SIPP was envisioned by Professor Margaret Hermann (then at Ohio State University). The first Summer Institute in Political Psychology was taught at Ohio State in 1991, and OSU offered SIPP every year from 1991 through 2003. Stanford University has hosted SIPP since 2005, with support from Stanford University and from the National Science Foundation. Hundreds of participants have attended SIPP during these years.

**SIPP 2008**

In the summer of 2008, SIPP will again be offered at Stanford, located in the beautiful San Francisco Bay Area. The curriculum is designed to accomplish one preeminent goal: to produce skilled, creative, and effective scholarly researchers who would do more and better work in political psychology as the result of their attendance at SIPP. To achieve this goal, the training experience is designed to: 1) provide broad exposure to theories, empirical findings, and research traditions; 2) illustrate successful cross-disciplinary research and integration; 3) enhance methodological pluralism; and 4) strengthen institutional networks.

The schedule of activities mixes lectures with opportunities for students to talk with faculty lecturers and with each other in structured and less formal atmospheres. Some of the topics covered in past SIPPs include race relations, conflict and dispute resolution, voting and elections, international conflict, decision-making by political elites, moral disengagement and violence, social networks, activism and social protest, political socialization, and justice.

**On-line applications will be accepted beginning in January 2008. For more information, please visit the SIPP website at <http://www.stanford.edu/group/sipp>.**

**PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**2007 PEACE PSYCHOLOGY EARLY CAREER AWARD**

**Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence (Division 48)  
American Psychological Association**

The Early Career Award recognizes scholars in peace psychology who have made substantial contributions to the mission of the society, which is “the development of sustainable societies through the prevention of destructive conflict and violence, the amelioration of its consequences, the empowerment of individuals, and the building of cultures of peace and global community.” Nominees should have made their contributions within six years of receiving a graduate degree and need not be members of Division 48.

The recipient will receive \$500 and recognition at the awards banquet at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association. Recipients are also invited to give an address at the convention.

Scholarship (quantity and quality of publications) and activism (breadth and impact of teaching, training, fieldwork, policy work, etc.), are primary considerations. Generally, the scholar/activist model is most desirable but in exceptional cases, the recipient may emphasize scholarship or activism.

**The deadline for applying is November 1, 2007. For information on how to apply, see: <http://ispp.org/announcements/APAEarlyCareerAward2007.html>.**

**CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT:  
19TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
FOR CROSS-CULTURAL PSYCHOLOGY  
(IACCP)**

The Annual IACCP conference will take place at the Jacobs University in Bremen, Germany, July 27 - 31, 2008. The organizers have established two submission deadlines. **The first is November 1, 2007, with notification of acceptance/rejection by December 15, 2007. The second submission deadline is February 15, 2008, with notification by April 1, 2008.** For further information, please see <http://www.jacobs-university.de/schools/shss/kboehnke>.

**POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY POSITIONS**

**Clark University:  
Two Tenure-Track Psychology Positions**

The Department of Psychology at Clark University invites applications for two assistant or beginning associate level positions to begin in August 2008. Noted for its rich history in Psychology, Clark University offers the advantages of both a distinguished research university and a small liberal arts college (see <http://www.clarku.edu/~psydept>). The department is committed to the study of psychology as a cohesive discipline. We seek candidates whose research has the potential for substantial synergy across our three doctoral programs, and with other research programs in the university.

Candidates are expected to have a clear program of research and evidence of success in, or the promise of, securing external funding for their research. We seek candidates who are committed to effective undergraduate and graduate teaching, advising, and research mentoring. Each candidate will teach courses in their areas of interest as well as courses in our introductory and mid-level undergraduate sequence (e.g., statistics, research methods, developmental psychology, social psychology). One of the candidates will be expected to teach graduate level statistics.

The positions include one in in Developmental Psychology and one in Social-Evolutionary-Cultural Psychology. For full information on the positions and how to apply, please see: <http://ispp.org/announcements/FacultyOpeningUCLA.html>.

**Liverpool Hope University:  
Professor/Associate Professor in Psychology/  
Head of Department**

During 2007-2008, Liverpool Hope University will make a number of key academic appointments. These posts are integral to the repositioning of the University and form an important part of our drive to take the University forward at this exciting and crucial time in our development. It is in this context that we now invite applications for the post of Head of Department.

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ment in Psychology. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to take over the leadership of a well-organized, accredited teaching program and to play a key role in the development of a new masters program in Research Methods. As Liverpool Hope is a teaching-led, research-informed university, we are seeking a candidate who has not only significant experience in the development and organization of a Higher Education Teaching program but who also has a strong commitment to academic research. The research profile should fit into or complement the existing research structure of the department. Research is currently performed in the areas of Cognitive Psychology, Political Psychology, Social Psychology, Educational Psychology and Parapsychology. Candidates should have proven experience in academic leadership and could qualify at either Professor or Associate Professor level.

**For further information on this post please visit the Liverpool Hope University website [www.hope.ac.uk/hr/jobs/](http://www.hope.ac.uk/hr/jobs/) where you will find downloadable particulars of appointment and information on how to apply. For an informal confidential discussion about these posts please contact Dr Penny Haughan, Dean of Sciences and Social Sciences Deanery, on +44(0)151 291 3544, email HAUGHAP@hope.ac.uk.**

**Public Education Project on Reconciliation, Psychological Recovery and the Prevention of Violence in Rwanda, Burundi and the Congo, Regional Psychological Consultant**

Radio La Benevolencija / Humanitarian Tools Foundation is a Dutch Humanitarian Media production NGO, running three coordinated educational broadcast campaigns to prevent violence and promote reconciliation, trauma recovery and active bystandership in the African Great Lakes region. The radio programs include educational drama series (“soaps”), journalistic factual programs, and youth programs (see for more details: [www.labenevolencija.org](http://www.labenevolencija.org)). In addition to the media programs, RLB is organizing a grassroots program intended to further the goals of the broadcast campaign.

The Regional Psychological Consultant consults to and trains Radio Benevolencija’s production teams in

Rwanda, The Democratic Republic Congo and Burundi in the understanding and application of the psychological components and communication messages used within the production of La Benevolencija’s programs and grass roots activities. The project’s academic and working methodology is based on Ervin Staub’s conception of the origins and prevention of genocide and mass killing and of reconciliation and Laurie Anne Pearlman’s theory of psychological trauma, including the “R.I.C.H.” approach to trauma recovery. The Regional Psychological Consultant executes her/his tasks in Africa in coordination with the organization’s academic team in the U.S. The Regional Psychological Consultant should be willing to commit to the project for a minimum of 1 year, renewable annually for an expected maximum of 4 years.

General qualifications include demonstrated written and verbal communication skills; good cultural adaptation skills; knowledge of African cultures an asset; knowledge of Great Lakes area and history an asset; available for travel; track record of effective team participation. This full-time position will begin immediately upon contracting with the successful candidate, and will be based in the Great Lakes Region of Africa (exact location to be determined—Rwanda, Eastern Congo or Burundi)

**For full job description, see <http://ispp.org/announcements/ReconciliationEducationRadioProjectPosition.pdf>.**

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**BOOK ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Democracy from the Grassroots:  
A Guide To Creative Political Action*  
Joseph Abrahams, M.D.  
Xlibris, 2007

Beginning with an historical overview of grassroots politics in America, the author guides us through its organizational structures and their inherent dynamics: the political clubs, committees, councils, conferences,

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caucuses, and workshops. A chapter devoted to the analysis of issues, the systems which determine their resolution, and their role in the political campaign, serves as a lead-in to an exhaustive section on training. There the reader is guided in a search for the political passion at root in activism and candidacy. A summary integrates the hypotheses set forth about the role of grassroots politics in American social development.

Written by psychoanalyst, political activist and scholar Dr. Joseph Abrahams, *Democracy From The Grassroots: A Guide to Creative Political Action* presents pioneering work of three decades in the grassroots trenches. At once a history lesson and a call to action, this slender volume presents practical know-how and reflection on the cycles of regression and advance. The appendix contains an annotated bibliography; a chronicle of the events and issues of our distinctively American grassroots movements; and a psychoanalytic exposition of the role of myths that enthrall and the mythopoesis that holds forth promise of the next advance of our grassroots democracy.

*Leadership in Foreign Policy:  
Manipulating Support across Borders*  
Andrea K. Grove  
Palgrave MacMillan, 2007

Challenging the standard views that individual leaders either have all the power or little room to move in the making of foreign policy, *Leadership in Foreign Policy* demonstrates generalizable ways that leaders succeed by manipulating elements of their domestic and international environments. Exploring leaders' strategic moves in comparative case studies of Pakistan and the "war on terror," the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Northern Ireland conflict, the transition from apartheid in South Africa, and Zimbabwe's current crisis demonstrates similar dynamics of the policy process. As these cases reveal, leaders not only interpret the situation in which they find themselves but often manipulate it, framing elements of their domestic and international environments to their audiences, drawing attention, involving new actors, instigating issue linkage. With this intriguing array of contemporary cases of leadership in international relations, the author shows that a grasp of the "intermestic" policy process

is essential to any understanding of policymaking in a globalized world.

*Cultural Contestation in Ethnic Conflict*  
Marc Howard Ross  
Cambridge Series in Comparative Politics  
Cambridge University Press, 2007

Ethnic conflict often focuses on culturally charged symbols and rituals that evoke strong emotions from all sides. Marc Howard Ross examines battles over diverse cultural expressions, including Islamic headscarves in France, parades in Northern Ireland, holy sites in Jerusalem and Confederate flags in the American South to propose a psychocultural framework for understanding ethnic conflict, as well as barriers to, and opportunities for, its mitigation. His analysis explores how culture frames interests, structures demand-making and shapes how opponents can find common ground to produce constructive outcomes to long-term disputes. He focuses on participants' accounts of conflict to identify emotionally significant issues, and the power of cultural expressions to link individuals to larger identities and shape action. Ross shows that, contrary to popular belief, culture does not necessarily exacerbate conflict; rather, the constructed nature of psychocultural narratives can facilitate successful conflict mitigation through the development of more inclusive narratives and identities.

JOURNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Emotion Review*  
New Journal Launched by ISRE

The International Society for Research on Emotion (ISRE) is launching a new journal, *Emotion Review*. The first issues will appear in January, April, July and October of 2009.

*Emotion Review* will publish articles presenting new theories, offering conceptual analyses, reviewing the literature, and debating and critiquing conceptual issues about emotion, with emotion broadly defined. It will publish reports of empirical studies when they make a substantial theoretical contribution.

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*Emotion Review* will publish articles from researchers in any discipline and from the entire international community. Authors are especially encouraged to present cutting-edge ideas and conceptually relevant findings that cut across disciplines. We also encourage authors to make their article accessible to the entire community of emotion researchers.

Submissions to *Emotion Review* will be accepted only electronically. The system should be set up soon and we will issue a call for submissions. In the meantime, the co-editors invite suggestions for articles, special sections, or special issues. Please send your suggestions to one of the Editors-in-Chief: Lisa Feldman Barrett (barretli@bc.edu) or James A. Russell (james.russell@bc.edu).

Wagner Announces Theme Issue of *Peace and Conflict*

According to Editor and long-time ISPP member Richard Wagner, the final 2007 issue of *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology* (Vol. 13, No. 4), features articles by psychologists who attended a weekend devoted to understanding the process of military interrogation. The psychologists met with four retired senior military interrogators, who stated that their method of extracting information from a source is based on rapport. Clark McCauley characterizes their methods as the application of basic principles of social psychology, while Allison Redlich points out the differences and similarities between military and police interrogation.

Issue co-editor Jean Maria Arrigo and interrogator Ray Bennett debunk the famous “ticking bomb” scenario and decry the coercive methods used by non-military interrogators at Guantanamo and elsewhere. Ronnie Janoff-Bulman, Ali Moghaddam, Robin Vallacher, and Issue co-editor Richard Wagner add their perspectives to our understanding of interrogation. The military interrogators’ “testimony” provides a valuable perspective on the current debate about psychologists’ involvement in military and national security interrogation.

The first issue of 2008 will feature a major article

by Herb Kelman, “Evaluating the Contributions of Interactive Problem Solving to the Resolution of Ethnonational Conflicts”. To subscribe to *Peace and Conflict*, contact customerservice@TaylorandFrancis.com; to request a free sample online, go to [www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/10781919](http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/10781919). Editor Richard Wagner can be contacted at [rwagner@bates.edu](mailto:rwagner@bates.edu).

Call for Submissions:  
*International Journal of Peace Studies*  
Special Issue on Anti-War Movements

Contributions are sought for a special issue on anti-war movements for the *International Journal of Peace Studies*, the official journal of the International Peace Research Association (IPRA). This is an opportunity for researchers and activists to assess, compare, and theorize about historical and contemporary peace movements from around the world, and to consider when and how social movements can constrain the state in wartime.

The theme issue, to be published in spring/summer 2008, focuses on effective and innovative movements: those able to advance their declared goals regarding a war, to challenge or change the limits of participation in policymaking regarding national security, or to contest existing social and cultural values.

Articles should highlight elements of movement effectiveness and should place movement histories in a theoretically informed context. **Manuscripts should be received by January 7, 2008. For further information about submissions, please see: <http://ispp.org/announcements/CallForPapers-JournalOfPeaceStudies2008.html>**

Mark your calendars *now* to join us for:  
ISPP's annual scientific meetings:

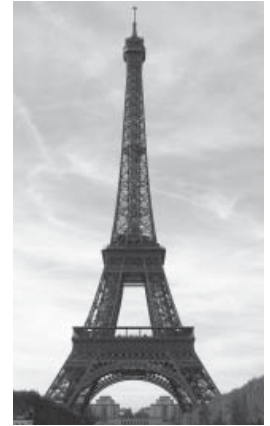
**6-9 July 2009 at Trinity College  
Dublin, Ireland**

**7-10 July 2010 at Mark Hopkins Hotel  
San Francisco, California, USA**

Info available soon at: <http://ispp.org/meet.html>



**International Society of Political Psychology  
Annual Meeting  
July 9-12, 2008  
Sciences Po, Paris, France**



***“Building Bridges:  
Political Psychology and Other Disciplines,  
Political Psychology and the World”***

**Submit your proposal today:**

**<http://ispp.org/meet.html>**

**Deadline: February 1, 2008**

Political Psychology has close ties to:

social and cognitive psychology  
political science  
neuroscience  
philosophy  
psychoanalysis  
history

sociology  
communications  
international relations  
political economy  
formal theory

In acquiring greater visibility as a specialty, political psychology is devoting greater attention to the breadth of concerns in the world outside of academia.

Political psychology thus faces the question:

***How can political psychology better connect  
and build bridges both with other disciplines  
and with the world?***

The goal of the 2008 ISPP Annual Scientific Meeting is to create a hospitable forum to facilitate constructive dialogue between political psychologists, politicians, and intellectuals, regarding the challenges facing our world. **Please join us!**

***For more information: <http://ispp.org/meet.html>***

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Please consider sharing your professional news and activities with the Society. We can publish notices of upcoming meetings, announcements of recent professional activity related to political psychology, calls for papers, op/ed letters, book announcements, and (space permitting) limited-length scholarly articles. Email or email attachments in Word are preferred, but most other formats are acceptable as well.

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