

2015 President Elect and Vice President – Bios

President Elect: Kate Reynolds professor of Psychology at the Australian National University, Canberra. Her research, which addresses intergroup relations and social change including prejudice, discrimination and social cohesion, has been funded by the Australian Research Council and the Australia Government and has appeared in top journals and outlets in the field. A central theme concerns the role of social identity and group processes (and transformation of self-identity) in helping to explain and shape human behaviour. She has published over 80 articles and chapters and two edited volumes: *Understanding prejudice, racism and social conflict* (Sage, 2001) and *Psychology of Change: Life contexts, experiences and identities* (Psychology Press, 2015). She serves on the board of a number of journals and has been Associate Editor *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* (2010-2012) and Co-editor *Political Psychology* (2012-2015). In relation to ISPP she has been a member of the Governing Council (2012-2014), search committee for a new Editor (2014), and Dissertation Award Committee (2010). In 2015 she will be a member of the ISPP Summer Academy. She is focused on nurturing and supporting junior scholars and continuing the internationalization of ISPP including strengthening local Political Psychology activities and networks (workshops, pre-conferences).

Vice President: David P. Redlawsk; professor of Political Science and Director, Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling, Rutgers University. My research focuses on decision making from cognitive and affective perspectives. I am active with ISPP, previously serving as Governing Council member (2007-2010) and co-editor of *Political Psychology* (2009-2015), thus attending GC meetings for the last eight years. Additionally, I have been an ISPP mentor, chaired the 2008 nominating committee, and the conference planner search in 2011. I would like to continue on the GC to identify growth opportunities and further development of our discipline in underserved regions as well as to continuing supporting our unique efforts to engage junior scholars. I offer a long-term perspective that can be useful considering future directions for the society.

2015 GC Nominees – Bios

1. Gizem Arikan: Associate Professor of Political Science at Yasar University, Izmir, Turkey. I received my PhD from Stony Brook University in 2010. My research focuses on religiosity and political values. I am currently the co-chair of JSC Professional Development Committee, which organizes roundtables that address issues of concern to junior political psychologists. I served as Section Chair at the 36th ISPP Annual Meeting in 2013 and have recently received a Small Grant from the organization for a workshop that aimed at increasing cooperation among political psychologists in the Middle East. My priorities include contributing to the internationalization of ISPP and to the career development of junior scholars and scholars from underrepresented regions.
2. Aleksandra Cichocka: I received a PhD from the University of Warsaw and am currently a Lecturer in Social Psychology at the University of Kent (UK). My research examines how the self-

concept and group image relate to intergroup attitudes and political ideology. I have been an active ISPP member since I joined the society in 2008. I served on the Junior Scholars Committee and am a co-chair of the upcoming meeting in Warsaw. My main goal is to use my experience working in several European countries and the US to stimulate closer research and teaching collaborations between academics from different countries and disciplines.

3. Neil Ferguson: I am currently Professor of Political Psychology at Liverpool Hope University having served as the Director of the Desmond Tutu Centre for War and Peace Studies for a number of years. I have been an active member of ISPP for the last 15 years and during this time I've served on Governing Council (2005-2008) and chaired and served on a number of committees, including the Laswell, Alexander L. George and David Sears award committees. Additionally, I co-chaired the 2009 Meeting in Dublin, have served as a section chair for numerous conference committees and regularly mentor junior scholars at ISPP meetings.
4. Eman Nahhas Abu Hanna: I'm currently the head of the Education Department in the Arab Academic College in Israel. The unique case of Palestinians in general, and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in particular, motivates my work and inspires my thinking, so my studies are conducted among Israelis and Palestinians with an aspiration to uncover ways to attain peace between them. Joining ISPP in 2009 and participating in the annual meetings allowed me to meet exceptional scholars and enriched my research. As a Governing Council member I intend to accept all responsibilities, to attend all meetings and to support activities designed to further the purposes of the Society.
5. Silvia Mari: (Assistant Professor of Social Psychology; University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy) I received my PhD in social psychology from University of Padova. My interests in political psychology focus mainly on a) the implications of lay representations of history and group-based emotions on intergroup relations; b) consequences of collective victimhood in structural conflicts; c) digital influence on political attitudes; d) effects of emotions on voting behavior. Since joining ISPP in 2005, I have regularly presented my research at the annual meeting. As a Governing Council member, my commitment would be devoted to promote new opportunities for scholarships and for collaborative interdisciplinary research networking, especially for young scholars and fellows coming from underrepresented backgrounds.
6. Craig McGarty: (School of Social Sciences and Psychology, University of Western Sydney, Australia) Areas of research are: Psychology: collective action, social movements, emotion in political rhetoric about terror, new technologies and mobilization. I am a leading exponent of the social identity approach and my research covers a wide range of contemporary issues including global poverty reduction, climate change and the social movements of the 21st century. My work draws from experimental, survey, archival and qualitative methods as appropriate to the problem. I am currently co-editing or have edited special issues on Understanding Activism (Journal of Social Issues), Rwanda 20 Years after Genocide (Journal of Social and Political Psychology) and Globalization and Global Concern (European Journal of

Social Psychology) and I am an Associate Editor of the British Journal of Social Psychology. I have made a deep commitment throughout my career to mentoring and supporting junior colleagues (not just those who happen to be at my own institution). I have been active in promoting the activities of the ISPP through two supported meetings we organized in Australia (2013 and 2014).

7. Sandra Penic: I am a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Lausanne, and the scientific coordinator of an interdisciplinary research project on pluralism in collective memories of conflict, being carried out in Burundi, Sri Lanka and Palestine (Pluralistic Memories Project, www.unil.ch/pmp). My research focuses on the interplay between individual and contextual (structural, social and political) factors in shaping individuals' conflict-related attitudes. Using qualitative and quantitative methodological approaches, I study these processes in different conflict-torn societies. I believe that the ISPP's main strength is the disciplinary, methodological and geographical diversity of its members. My goal is to further promote this strength, by creating opportunities for collaborative research across boundaries.
8. Michael Quayle: I am a lecturer at the University of Limerick, Ireland, and an honorary senior lecturer at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Broadly, my research explores the politics of identity, and how the local and immediate concerns of identity enactment can impact on broader socio-political processes. I have been involved in the ISPP since 2002 and have benefitted greatly from my membership. The ISPP is unique in its appreciation of diversity – theoretical, geographical, and cultural – and yet there is still more that can be done to extend the society's international membership and impact. If elected, I hope to contribute to the society's further achievement of these goals.
9. Laura Taylor: I am Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in the Centre for Identity and Intergroup Relations in the School of Psychology at Queen's University, Belfast. My research applies a risk and resilience framework to examine the impact of political violence on children, families, and communities in Colombia, Croatia and Northern Ireland, and with immigrant and refugee youth in the United States. Across these contexts of intergroup tension, I am interested in processes underlying constructive engagement and positive youth development. I have been a member of ISPP since 2008, serving as JSC Chair as well as co-coordinator of professional development and the mentoring lunch.
10. Martijn van Zomeren: As a regular ISPP conference attendee (since 2005) and an associate professor in Social Psychology whose research interests fit well with major topics in political psychology (e.g., social movements, identity processes, morality, emotion), I would be delighted to become a member of the ISPP governing council. In my view, ISPP has a unique bridging function that cross-cuts disciplines and research traditions. As member of the governing council, I would like to invest in encouraging this diversity and in helping to build the bridges that make ISPP's diversity so valuable.