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Executive Director's Corner



2012 has marked several changes for ISPP, most notably, the changes to the Central Office. I am honored to have been selected as the first full-time, professional Executive Director for the Society. I am honored not just because

I was selected from the pool of applicants, but I am honored because I have learned in a very short time of being on the job just how much faith and trust you all have placed in me to help lead ISPP into the future. I am looking forward to working with the membership as a whole on improving ISPP, and making it an organization to which more and more people want to belong.

The changes will not all happen all at once—it will take time—but you will see changes in ISPP in the coming months and next year or two. One thing that I want to achieve is to have more input and feedback from the membership. What do YOU want from ISPP? To help with this process, you will soon receive a membership survey. We have made an effort to keep it brief, yet touch upon several areas where we want your feedback, so I ask that you please take a few minutes and complete the survey. I want to hear from you and know what changes you would like to see. I would like to develop more of a dialogue with the membership, as opposed to the methods used by many societies where they merely push information out to their members, giving what they think their members want, but never really having asked their membership, "What would you like from your membership in this group? What can WE do for YOU?" The survey will be an opportunity for you to start that dialogue with me, so please do take the time and fill it out, so that I can incorporate your goals for ISPP with my own.

One area of change you will notice very soon is our new Membership area on the ISPP web site. While we have had some growing pains with the redesign and expansion of functions on the site (and thank you all for your patience with that process), we are nearing completion of this particular phase, and things will soon be set up for each member to be able to

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Submission Information

ISPPNews welcomes submissions focused on teaching and methods, as well as short essays or opinion pieces on current issues or debates in the discipline. We also publish book announcements, member kudos, and other professional news on a bi-annual basis.

Announcements of upcoming meetings, workshops and events should be sent to the Central Office for distribution.

Your ideas for further improvements or additions to the ISPPNews are also welcome — please let us know what you would like to see here in the future!

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log in and create a profile (instructions will be sent out via e-mail when this area is ready). Once logged-in, you can create your profile and upload your photo, add your research interests, etc. Please take some time to explore this area once it's activated, and create your profile. In the coming months, we will be adding new members-only features and resources, the functionality for you to join/renew membership in ISPP directly via our web site, and registration for our Annual Scientific Meeting, all via the ISPP site. You will also notice a new look to e-mails from ISPP, as we have signed up with iContact to communicate with our membership, distribute this newsletter, and send you important alerts and updates.

In conclusion, I wish to again express my honor and gratitude in being ISPP's new Executive Director. I hope to get to know each member over time, see you at the meetings, and hear from you. Please do not hesitate to contact me with your thoughts and concerns regarding ISPP, so that I can work with all of you to make this a group of which you want to remain a part for years to come.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

President's Message

Dear members,

It is my great pleasure to serve as ISPP President this year. This is a time of exciting new developments for the society, as we work to best serve the needs of our members and support your social and intellectual goals. First of all, we are delighted to have Sev Bennett in place as our new Executive Director of the Central Office. Sev has been a wonderful and much-needed addition to our organization as we strive to establish a full-time professional Central Office for the International Society of Political Psychology.

This has involved a great deal of work. Some of it will be visible to all members, such as the improvements in our website. Sev will also be helping us with our conference organizing going forward and so most of you should have the opportunity to meet her in person if you have not already done so. Other changes involve important behind the scenes work to create policies that will allow the organization to survive and thrive financially and intellectually for a long time to come. I appreciate your patience as we work through some of these growing pains, and invite your feedback and participation in this process.

My goal in implementing new plans and policies is to increase the openness and transparency of the entire organization for all members. We seek to encourage involvement on the part of all our members to participate in the Annual Meeting and the Summer Academy, and to nominate members for awards. Look for a survey soon that will ask you more specifically about how the organization can work to help support your needs. When you receive the survey please take a few minutes to share your thoughts with us so that we can take the opinions of all members into account.



We hope to increase the resources the Society offers its members as well. As part of this process, we solicit your help. We hope to be able to post syllabi and other materials which may be useful for courses, including articles and books by members, or video links, on the website. If you have any materials you are willing to share, please forward them to info@ispp.org so that other members can benefit from your expertise. We can post them in the members-only area of the ISPP web site, so that your materials are not freely available to non-members.

Our newsletter editor, Melinda Jackson, has put together a terrific issue which highlights the recent winners of our awards, which were given out at our 2012 meeting in Chicago. Please note the call for nominations for this coming year's awards as well as the call for suggestions and nominations for the new editors of *Political Psychology* to succeed the team lead by Alex Mintz. Over the course of their term, Alex and his spectacular team of editors have increased the impact rating of the journal, improved its ranking, and reduced the time to decision. We hope to find future editors who can build on the work of this fine team to continue the upward trajectory of the journal.

For future issues of the newsletter, we would also like to ask for some additional help from long-term members. We are hoping to fill in some history for the organization from those who have been members for a long time. If you are willing to write down some of your reminiscences, we would like to publish them in future newsletters for the interest of all members, but it will also help us fill in some gaps in our formal records for periods when such records were not kept, or have been lost.

We are very pleased to invite everyone to participate in the 2013 Annual Meeting, hosted by Alex Mintz, Daphna Cannetti and Pazit Ben-Nun Bloom, in Israel at IDC in Herzilya on July 8-11, 2013. The theme of this historic meeting focuses on the Political Psychology of Global Conflict, Protest and Reconciliation, and we hope to have a number of important panels involving Arab and Israeli participants to discuss the critical and challenging issues confronting modern Middle Eastern politics. Information about travel, hotels, tours and the area will be forthcoming shortly, and will be posted on the ISPP website. We expect a very successful conference.

I wish you all a productive and enjoyable year. We all look forward to the growth of our organization and its increased efficiency and transparency under the guidance of our new professional Executive Director.

Rose McDermott
ISPP President

ISPP Announcements

- 1. Call for 2012 conference photos** — the CO has limited photos from the meeting in Chicago, and it would be nice to put some on the web site, in print/promotional materials, and in e-mails. If anyone has photos from the conference they'd like to share and would approve their use by ISPP, please send them to: info@ispp.org.
- 2. Call for a conference photographer** — ISPP is seeking someone to serve as the official photographer for its conferences. If you take photographs as a hobby, they are of a good quality, and you would be willing to allow ISPP to use these photographs in e-mails, print and promotional materials, and on its web site, please send an e-mail regarding your interest to info@ispp.org. While this position is not compensated, your conference registration fee will be waived.
- 3. Call for ISPP history** — ISPP is seeking members who can help write its history. ISPP was founded in 1978, nearly



35 years ago. We would like to have a document that is a written history of the organization. Any members or past members who can provide details and/or stories of significant points in ISPP's history, please contact the Central Office: info@ispp.org, 828-894-5422.

Political Psychology Moves Up in Rankings!

Political Psychology



Do you know that...

- ◆ The ISPP journal, *Political Psychology* is now ranked **12th of 148** journals in Political Science and **19th among 59** journals in Social Psychology.
- ◆ *Political Psychology* is ranked **9th** among Political Science journals and **14th** of Social Psychology journals on a 5 year impact factor!
- ◆ There were **300,000** downloads of manuscripts published in *Political Psychology* this year alone.
- ◆ *Political Psychology* is available in **3700** libraries world wide! This is up from **2230** libraries in 2009.

Political Psychology is housed at the Lauder School of Government at IDC Herzliya

Editor-in-Chief: Alex Mintz

Co-Editors: Paul 't Hart, Helen Haste, David Redlawsk, and James Sidanius

Associate Editors: Eran Halperin, Steven Redd and Christopher Federico



Political Psychology Seeks New Editors

The International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) invites proposals from individuals or teams to succeed the current editorial team for the journal, *Political Psychology*.

The editor works closely with the publisher, Wiley-Blackwell to ensure timely submissions, reports annually to the ISPP Governing Council and submits an annual budget. The new editor will assume a five-year term, and begin the six-month transition in the summer of 2014, officially taking over in the winter of 2015. The ISPP seeks prospective candidates who have a proven record of scholarship and demonstrated leadership in the field of political psychology, and have the capacity and judgment to carry out the varied roles of editor. Teams with members from multiple institutions, as well as teams from within the same institution, are encouraged to apply.

Proposals from the prospective editorial team should provide a vision for the future of *Political Psychology*, its intellectual support of the ISPP membership, and international research on political psychology in general. Narratives of no more than 6,000 words should include a statement of the goals and rationale for editing the journal, the prospective editor's plans to lead the journal over the next 5-year term, ideas for special issues, forums, debates, securing timely reviews, innovative ways to disseminate the journal's content, and strategies to increase *Political Psychology's* scholarly impact (e.g., placing data for published articles on the web for replication, creating a mechanism to have on-line discussions attached to articles, etc.). The proposal should include a description of the proposed editorial team, and explain how this group will ensure diversity of intellectual perspectives in the field, be inclusive of the multitude of theoretical approaches, maintain the methodological strength of scholarship, and support representation of emerging content, topics and methodological approaches. The proposal should also contain an editorial operational strategy (e.g., dispute mediation). Supporting documentation should include letters of institutional support, CVs of the editorial team, and a proposed budget.

The deadline for full proposals is March 30, 2013. However, we encourage applicants to submit preliminary proposals by January 1, 2013. We will conduct a limited review of preliminary proposals submitted by January 1, and provide comments on the organizational aspects of these proposals to assist candidates in submitting the full proposals. A recommendation for the new editors will be given to the society by June 1, 2013. Appointment of the new editor(s) will be confirmed at ISPP's annual meeting, July 2013.

While the ISPP provides financial support for the journal office, applicants are expected to obtain additional financial support from their institutional homes. Such support might include release from teaching for the editor(s), funding for graduate assistants to match support from ISPP, additional travel costs (e.g., ISPP pays for 2 editors to attend annual meetings), and adequate space and equipment. A 5-year budget that includes this information is a necessary part of the proposal. The prospective editorial team should have colleagues or students available on site or as part of a close collaborative network to assist the work of the main editor. Details on the journal's current budget will be provided to teams who seek to submit a proposal. Please contact the chair of the Publications Committee, Pete Hatemi (phatemi@gmail.com) or the Central Office Executive Director, Sev Bennett (sbennett@ispp.org) for this information.

Please submit applications electronically to the ISPP Publications Committee Chair:
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Questions regarding the application procedure can also be directed to any member of the selection committee:
Michael Bang Petersen (michael@ps.au.dk)
Cheryl Koopman (koopman@stanford.edu)
Robert Jervis (rlj1@columbia.edu), or
Michael Spezio (mspezio@scrippscollege.edu)



Political Psychology Virtual Issue on Motivated Reasoning available now!

Political Psychology has published its latest virtual issue on Motivated Reasoning here.

Virtual issues are online only, thematic issues that consist of previously published articles from *Political Psychology* on a specific topic. This latest virtual issue was compiled by David Redlawsk, Co-Editor of *Political Psychology*. Access to the articles has been set free for a short period of time, please feel free to forward this link to interested colleagues.

Congratulations to the 2012 ISPP Award Winners!

Best Dissertation Award

WINNER:

Michael Quayle, University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa

"Situated Identity Performance: Understanding Stereotype Threat as a Social Identity Phenomenon"

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Christopher Johnston, Stony Brook University, USA

"The Motivated Formation of Economic Preferences"

Noa Schori-Eyal, Tel-Aviv University, Israel

"The Shadows of the Past: Effects of Historical Group Trauma on Current Intergroup Conflict"

SECOND-ROUND FINALISTS:

Grace Deason, University of Minnesota, USA

"Maternal Appeals in Politics: Their Effectiveness and Consequences"

Kristof Dhont, Ghent University, Belgium

"The Reduction of Racial Prejudice: The role of intergroup contact and social attitudes"

Michael Tesler, University of California Los Angeles, USA

"The Spillover of Racialization: Papers on Race and the Obama Presidency"

Erikson Early Career Award

Eran Halperin, IDC Herzliya

Peter Hatemi, Penn State University

Alexander George Book Award for Best Political Psychology book published in 2011

Ervin Staub, *Overcoming Evil: Genocide, Violent Conflict and Terrorism*

David O. Sears Book Award for Best Mass Politics book published in 2011

Clark McCauley & Sophia Moskalenko, *Friction: How Radicalization Happens to Them and Us*



Jeanne Knutson Award for Long-standing ISPP Service

Doris Graber, University of Illinois, Chicago

Harold Lasswell Award for Scientific Contributions to Political Psychology

Ervin Staub, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Nevitt Sanford Award for Professional Contributions to Political Psychology

Daniel Bar-Tal, Tel Aviv University

Noel Markwell Media Award for best media work in Political Psychology spirit

Shankar Vendatam, National Public Radio

Roberta Sigel Award for Best Paper presented at 2011 meeting by a Junior Scholar

Rune Slothuus, Aarhus University

"Assessing the Influence of Political Parties on Public Opinion: The Bias from Pretreatment Effects"

Roberta Sigel Award for Best Paper with a Junior Scholar as lead author

Scott Clifford, Florida State University

With Jennifer Jerit and Jason Barabas, "Comparing Treatment Effects in Parallel Experiments"

Nomination deadline for 2013 Awards: February 15th, 2013

Best Dissertation Award

Chair, Alina Oxendine, Hamline University

Erikson Early Career Award

Chair, Paul Nesbitt-Larking, Huron University College

Alexander George Book Award and David O. Sears Book Award

Chair, Ann Crigler, University of Southern California

Elizabeth Theiss-Morse, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Jonathan Renshon, Naval Postgraduate School

Jeanne Knutson Award for Long-standing ISPP Service

Chair, Kristen Monroe, University of California - Irvine

Harold Lasswell Award for Scientific Contributions to Political Psychology and Nevitt Sanford Award for Professional Contributions to Political Psychology

Chair, Danny Bar-Tal, Tel Aviv University



Noel Markwell Media Award for best media work in Political Psychology spirit

Chair, Daron Shaw, University of Texas - Austin

Roberta Sigel Award for Best Junior Scholar Papers

Chair, Cindy Kam, Vanderbilt University

For full award announcements please visit: ispp.org/awards

Junior Scholars Committee

Greetings from the Junior Scholars Committee!!

As the new chair, I am pleased to update you on the activities of the JSC. In Chicago the JSC hosted a number of well-received events. The traditional Social Hour provided the opportunity for junior scholars to catch up with old acquaintances and to establish new friendships. The Professional Development Roundtables offered fruitful advice by experienced scholars regarding the advantages and disadvantages of collaborative research projects and strategies to strengthen publication records. More one-on-one interaction between junior scholars and leading researchers was established through the Junior Scholars' Mentoring Tea program, which proved once again to be a great success.

After the meeting I succeeded Chris Weber as chair of the JSC and we welcomed a number of new members in the committee. This year's JSC is diverse in terms of discipline (five political scientists and seven psychologists), geography (five members based in the United States, three in the United Kingdom and the remaining four members in Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands and Turkey) and with three junior faculty members, two post-docs and the remaining members pursuing their PhD, the JSC reflects the various stages of a junior scholar's career. With this enthusiastic group of people we will continue to represent the interests of junior scholars within the ISPP and beyond.

Stay informed about the JSC and our thriving field of research by:

Visiting our blog (ispp.org/jsc/blog),

Joining our Facebook page, which now has almost 700 active followers: facebook.com/ISPPJuniorScholars,

Or following the JSC on Twitter: [@ISPP_JSC](https://twitter.com/ISPP_JSC).

In addition to this, please feel free to contact us directly at jsc@ispp.org with any comments, suggestions or inquiries. We look forward to hearing from you!

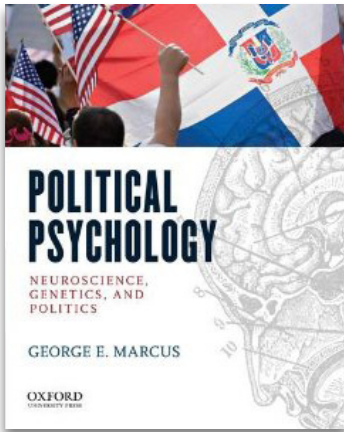
On behalf of the Junior Scholars Committee, I wish you a good start in the new academic year!

Jolanda van der Noll
Chair 2012-2013



Book Announcements

Political Psychology: Neuroscience, Genetics, and Politics



GEORGE E. MARCUS, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

In *Political Psychology: Neuroscience, Genetics, and Politics*, scholar George Marcus provides a cutting-edge introduction that discusses the field's origins, evolution, and possibilities. Offering context that other texts typically omit, this unique volume includes a historical account of the ideas that underpin political psychology--ranging from Ancient Greece, through the Enlightenment, to today--thereby highlighting the deep intellectual roots and continuous vitality of the field.

The book also looks at emerging trends in the discipline, integrating an "inside-out" perspective that analyzes how neuroscience, cognitive science, and genetics apply to politics. In addition to opening up new areas of inquiry, this approach gives students new conceptual, theoretical, and methodological tools that they can use to seek out new answers to old questions.

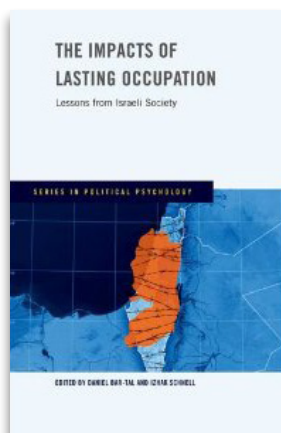
An ideal text for upper-level undergraduate courses in political psychology or as a supplement in political behavior, public opinion, and political communications courses, *Political Psychology* focuses on teaching the essential skills involved in making credible political psychology explanations: creativity, collaboration, and critical thinking. Exercises throughout enable students to practice and master these skills and to "learn by doing."

Paperback, July 2012

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The impacts of lasting occupation: Lessons from Israeli society



DANIEL BAR-TAL & IZHAK SCHNELL (EDS.)
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

Protracted occupation has become a rare phenomenon in the 21st century. One notable exception is Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, which began over four decades ago after the Six-Day War in 1967. While many studies have examined the effects of occupation on the occupied society, which bears most of the burdens of occupation, this book directs its attention to the occupiers. The effects of occupation on the occupying society are not always easily observed, and are therefore difficult to study. Yet through their analysis, the authors of this volume show how occupation has detrimental effects on the occupiers. The effects of occupation do not stop in the occupied territories, but penetrate deeply into the fabric of the occupying society.



The Impacts of Lasting Occupation examines the effects that Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories have had on Israeli society. The consequences of occupation are evident in all aspects of Israeli life, including its political, social, legal, economic, cultural, and psychological spheres. Occupation has shaped Israel's national identity as a whole, in addition to the day-to-day lives of Israeli citizens. Daniel Bar-Tal and Izhak Schnell have brought together a wide range of academic experts to show how occupation has led to the deterioration of democracy and moral codes, threatened personal security, and limited economic growth in Israel.

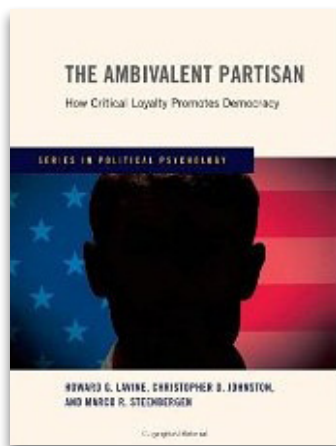
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The Ambivalent Partisan: How Critical Loyalty Promotes Democracy



**HOWARD G. LAVINE, CHRISTOPHER D. JOHNSTON
AND MARCO R. STEENBERGEN**
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

Over the past half century, two overarching questions have dominated the study of mass political behavior: How do ordinary citizens form their political judgments, and how good are those judgments from a normative perspective? The authors of *The Ambivalent Partisan* offer a novel approach to these questions, one in which political reasoning is viewed as arising from trade-offs among three generally conflicting psychological goals: making decisions easily, getting them right, and maintaining cognitive consistency. Taking aim at decades of received wisdom, the central claim of this book is that high-quality political judgment hinges less on citizens' cognitive ability than on their willingness to temporarily suspend partisan habits and follow the "evidence" wherever it leads. This occurs most readily when citizens experience a

disjuncture between their stable political identities and their contemporary evaluations of party performance, a state the authors refer to as partisan ambivalence.

Drawing on both experimental and survey methods — as well as five decades of American political history — the authors demonstrate that compared to other citizens, ambivalent partisans perceive the political world accurately, form their policy preferences in a principled manner, and communicate those preferences by making issues an important component of their electoral decisions. The book's most important conclusion is that a non-trivial portion of the electorate manages to escape the vicissitudes of apathy or wanton bias, and it is these citizens — these ambivalent partisans — who reliably approximate a desirable standard of democratic citizenship.

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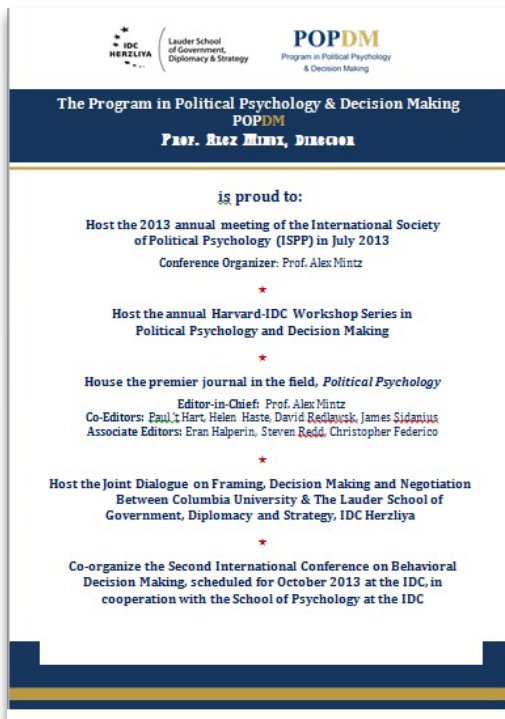
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2013 SPSP Political Psychology Pre-Conference Submissions

SPSP Political Psychology Pre-Conference — Submission Deadline Dec. 21, 2012



The 2013 Political Psychology Pre-Conference will be held in conjunction with the annual SPSP meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The pre-conference will take place on January 17th at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Participants are welcome to attend the pre-conference even if they do not register for the regular SPSP meeting.

POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY PRE-CONFERENCE SPEAKERS:

Pete Ditto (University of California, Irvine)
Eric Knowles (New York University)
Alan Lambert (Washington University)
Diana Mutz (University of Pennsylvania)
Brian Nosek (University of Virginia)
Felicia Pratto (University of Connecticut)
David Redlawsk (Rutgers)
Hulda Thorisdottir (University of Iceland)

Registration is now open and will close when space is filled or December 21st, whichever comes first.

Student Talks: Graduate students are invited to submit proposals to give a 15-minute talk about work that will not be presented at the regular SPSP conference.

Please email your 250-word abstract and CV directly to politicspsych.spsp@gmail.com before **November 17th, 2012**. Please do not include identifying information in the abstract. Proposals that are not accepted for a student talk may be considered for a poster or paper-swap presentation.

Poster Session: To be considered for a poster presentation, submit a title and abstract (max. 250 words) along with your registration form before December 21st, 2012.

Paper Swap: We invite you to share your work with other conference attendees. Please bring copies of recently published papers, pre-prints, or papers that represent works-in progress. To have your paper listed in the pre-conference program, submit a title and abstract (max. 250 words) along with your registration form before December 21st, 2012.

Data Blitz: Participants with outstanding poster and paper swap submissions will be invited to present their work in rapid-pace form. They will give 5-minute talks using 4 slides and will entertain 1 brief audience question.

To submit your work for possible inclusion in the program, to register for the pre-conference, or to obtain more information, please visit: psych.nyu.edu/spsp_politicspsych



Save the Date for ISPP's 2013 Annual Scientific Meeting in Israel!



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Submit a Proposal for a Future ISPP Annual Scientific Meeting Location!

ISPP strives to expand its reach, domestically and internationally, and bring its Annual Scientific Meeting to different areas around the world. Efforts are made to hold two meetings outside of North America, followed by one in North America.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for a future ISPP meeting location, please contact the Central Office at info@ispp.org. They can provide you with the list of information needed to submit a proposal. Proposals can be submitted throughout the year, and will be considered by the Governing Council for the next selection of meeting locations as appropriate — North America, or the rest of the world.