CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

REGIONAL WORKSHOP

International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development (ISSBD) in collaboration with the European Association of Developmental Psychology (EADP)

July 2-6, 2017, Island of Syros, Greece

Theme: Positive Youth Development in Times of Social Change

One of the main initiatives of the *International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development (ISSBD)* is the organization of regional workshops. The 2017 ISSBD workshop will take place between the 2nd and the 6th of July on the island of Syros in Greece. This workshop is organized in collaboration with the *European Association of Developmental Psychology (EADP)*.

Organizers are: Professors *Frosso Motti*, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece, *Katariina Salmela-Aro*, University of Jyväskylä and Cicero Learning, University of Helsinki, Finland, and *Ingrid Schoon*, University College London, UK.

The focus of the workshop is on positive youth development (PYD) in times of social change (Petersen, Koller, Motti-Stefanidi, & Verma, 2016). Western societies are undergoing significant social, economic and cultural changes linked to a large extend to the phenomenon of globalization. Globalization refers to the process of international integration arising from the movement of people, goods and ideas (Suárez-Orozco & Qin-Hilliard, 2004). Advances in information technology allowing global communication, the massive movements of people across-borders, the increase in cross-border trade and the ensuing integration of regional, political and cultural systems are part of the phenomenon of globalization (Chen, 2012). Both economic growth and economic downturn have been linked to the process of globalization (Weiland & Yoshikawa, 2012). These changes affect the developmental contexts in which young lives are embedded, and, thus, are consequential for youth's concurrent and long term adaptation and development (e.g., Motti-Stefanidi & Asendorpf, in press; Schoon & Bynner, 2017; Schoon & Mortimer, 2017; Schoon & Silbereisen, 2009; Weiland & Yoshikawa, 2012).

This summer school features a faculty of distinguished scientists from Europe and the USA who will present on cutting edge conceptual and methodological issues related to the study of PYD in the context of migration and economic recession and youth development in the context of globally increasing economic and social uncertainty. Furthermore, specialized faculty will provide young scholars direct training and consultation on methodology pertinent to young scholars' own programs of research. Finally, young researchers will also present and discuss their projects with the faculty and the other young researchers. It should be noted that the official language of the meeting is English.

Invited faculty include in alphabetical order

1. Professor Jens Asendorpf (Germany, developmental statistics),

- 2. Dr Loes Keijsers (the Netherlands, developmental statistics),
- 3. Professor Frosso Motti-Stefanidi (Greece, a risk and resilience perspective on immigrant youth adaptation),
- 4. Professor Brit Oppedal (Norway, trauma, mental health, refugees),
- 5. Professor Vassilis Pavlopoulos (Greece, social psychological approach to migration),
- 6. Professor Anne Petersen (US, economic recession, interventions, policy),
- 7. Professor Katariina Salmela-Aro (Finland, school adaptation and engagement during times of digitalization and economic challenge),
- 8. Professor Ingrid Schoon (UK, risk and resilience in times of social change, economic recession),
- 9. Professor Peter Titzmann (Germany, peers, acculturation, migration),
- 10. Professor Adriana Umana-Taylor (US, ethnic and national identities, immigration)

Regional workshops organized under the patronage of the ISSBD, and similarly comparable activities of EADP, are an excellent opportunity for early career scholars to receive feedback, get new inspirations, make new friends in the international arena, set up new networks, and start collaborations.

Who can apply?

Participants will include 30 early career scholars (senior PhD students, early Postdocs). However, 25 participants need to be or become members of ISSBD, and 5 participants need to either be or become members of EADP.

Financial issues

There will be no registration fee for workshop attendance. 20 of the 30 participants will need to cover their own travel costs; everything else will be provided (accommodation, meals). 10 fellowships will be provided, 5 from Europe (up to 400 euros) or a country close to Greece (e.g., Israel, Cyprus or Egypt, up to 200 euros each), and 5 from overseas for up to 1000 euros each. They will be offered based on financial need and/or excellence. The Fellowships will cover travel expenses and applicants have to submit a draft budget of their travel expenses. It should be noted that participants would be asked to share a double room.

Criteria for selection of participants

The criteria for selecting early career scholars for financial support are:

- 1. Your curriculum vitae (labeled yourname.cv)
- 2. A letter of intent to participate in the workshop
- 3. An abstract for poster presentation
- 4. A recommendation letter from your supervisor (labeled yourname.recommend).
- 5. A draft budget for travel expenses

The deadline for applications is February 15, 2017. Applicants will receive feedback by March 10, 2017.

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