European Society of Psychology Learning and Teaching



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A Message from the President

Dear Members

Time is flying and here in Dresden, Europe's capital of Christmas, most people are now very busy in all kinds of Christmas preparation activities. See CNN for a report: https://edition.cnn.com/travel/article/dresden-capital-of-christmas/index.html

Since our last Newsletter from September the ESPLAT-EC was and is on the one hand side busy with clarifying administrative issues related to our status as a European Society situated in Belgium. On the other hand the organization of the 2023 ESPLAT conference has progressed under the lead of Michael Gruber. You may all have received the Call for submissions to the conference, and hopefully have prepared and/or submitted your contributions meanwhile.

Note (again) that the 2023- ESPLAT conference will take place in Umeå from June, 14 until 16, 2023. For more information see Michael Gruber's section on the conference:

https://www.esplat.org/esplat-2023

We are very much looking forward to meeting many of you there, and to having a vivid exchange on the insights and issues that are or have been at the focus of your interest since our last conference. Mid November I had the honor and pleasure to contribute to the Webinar Series of APA Div. 52 - International Psychology. Within the Webinar I presented the main insights I had gained when analyzing and comparing perspectives from Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and the US on Psychology teaching within Teacher Education. The Webinar was attended by 232 participants mainly from Europe, Latin America and U.S. It has been recorded and can be accessed through the following link:

https://div52.net/webinars/#library



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Date: November 18, 2022, 5pm UTC+1 Register at: https://div52.net/webinars/





A very important and exciting project, the International Project on Undergraduate Psychology Outcomes has been initiated by Susan Nolan (US) and Jacqueline Cranney (Australia) in October, I am involved in the International Committee on Undergraduate Psychology Outcomes (ICUPO) that is considered the "work horse" for the project, and currently has around 20 participants from 11 countries. This project is aiming at identifying an internationally recognizable set of competencies that students should acquire within an undergraduate psychology program. If you are interested in this project, send us an email. Besides the committee there is also a larger group of colleagues feedback serving as critical providers.

Please note again, that our Website provides a discussion forum as well as a blog section:

https://www.esplat.org/members-forum-1

https://www.esplat.org/blog

Merry Christmas and all the best for 2023! Susanne Narciss

Interested in joining the Executive Committee?

Elections and conferences ahead



At the turn of the year it is time to look ahead to your next two ESPLAT years. The 2023-2025 Executive Committee will be elected by online poll before the 2023 conference in Umeå. Current board members are happy to chat with you about becoming a member of the Executive Committee and/or potentially hosting the 2025 ESPLAT conference.

You want to help to further build and shape our young international society? The current members of the Executive Committee invite you to consider joining the board of ESPLAT.

Working in an international team to further build ESPLAT is a very enriching experience. It is fun. It is work. It is learning. Please address Robert (or any other current EC member) by email to chat about what work in the EC is like. Many different skills and perspectives are needed in the board. So it is very likely that you can contribute!

There will be changes and continuity in the EC. Susanne Narciss, the current President, will hand over to the new President. As Pina Marsico is currently Vice-President and by this President-Elect, the plan is that she will serve as ESPLAT President in the new Executive Committee. This means that ESPLAT needs a new Vice-President.

You agree that the perspective of students / PhD students is of crucial importance in the board? Please consider joining as Student Representative!

Organizing the finances of a young international organization is a challenge you might want to consider? Please get into touch with Paul to learn about the processes involved.

As Secretary General you can work on information exchange (website, newsletter) and help to organize board meetings.

While we are looking forward to a great conference in Umeå, it is already time to consider hosting the 2025 ESPLAT conference. Please contact Michael, Susanne or Robert for learning more about this.

Executive Committee 2021-2023





Secretary Treasurer Paul Wilson





Secretary General Robert Gaschler





Student Representative Abigail Jones



Learning and Teaching Psychology in a Changing World

14th – 16th of June 2023, Umeå, Sweden Submission of abstracts until January 20th, 2023



Conference organizer Michael Gruber welcomes you to the fourth ESPLAT conference, taking place in Umeå, Sweden. The Department of Psychology is honoured to host the conference, looking forward to exciting and stimulating days on psychology teaching and learning. Keynote speakers are:

- Dr. Kelley Haynes-Mendez, Senior Director of Human Rights Team APA
- Prof. Dr. Therése Skoog
- Prof. Dr. Robert J. Sternberg

Further information and impressions (short videos): https://www.esplat.org/esplat-2023

The ESPLAT 2023 conference is a forum for sharing teaching and learning innovations and best practices in a changing world on the themes such as:

- active learning methods
- sustainable teaching
- teaching for sustainability
- inclusive teaching strategies

Umeå just before midsummer is an ideal place to come together to jointly shape the future of psychology teaching and learning.



