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❖ News from the President

First, let me invite all members and interested parties to submit proposals to present individual papers, symposia, and posters at the 2008 ISJR Conference, to be held in Adelaide, Australia, August 14- 17, 2008 by the **March 15, 2008** deadline. It is going to be an exciting conference and in a wonderful locale, and I am looking forward to seeing most of you there!

Second, in accordance with the ISJR by-laws, I wish to announce that the next General Business meeting of the Society will be held August 16, 4:30 – 5:30 PM in Adelaide in conjunction with the biannual conference. Agenda items for the meeting will include election of officers, presentation and approval of the treasurer's report, and approval of some changes to the by-laws. A full agenda for the business meeting and the changes in the by-laws are posted on the ISJR website.

Linda

❖ News from the Treasurer

We are eager to accept new members or member renewals. Once their membership fee is received for the year 2008, they will receive all 2008 issues of Social Justice Research.

We greatly appreciate financial donations made to our society by:

William McCready
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Tom Tyler
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Larry Heuer

❖ Lifetime Achievement Award

Our society has recently instituted the Lifetime Achievement Award, presented bi-annually to honor distinguished lifetime contributions to the scientific study of justice and efforts to advance justice as a field of study. The Lifetime Achievement Award is given for the first time in 2008. We are very pleased to announce the award winners for this year:

Morton Deutsch

and

Melvin Lerner

Congratulations to our award winners, and thanks to all those who nominated scholars for this award, the award nominees, and the members of the ISJR executive committee for serving as the Lifetime Achievement Award Committee (Carolyn Hafer, Larry Heuer, John Jost, Manfred Schmitt, Linda Skitka, Tom Tyler, and Michael Wenzel).

❖ Early Career Contribution Award

The Early Career Contribution Award was instituted to honor exceptional scholarship of a justice researcher within ten years of the Ph.D. It was given for the first time in 2006. We are very pleased to announce the award winner for this year:

David De Cremer

Congratulations to our award winner, and thanks to all those who nominated scholars for this award, the award nominees, and to Jan-Willem van Prooijen (2006 Early Career Contribution Award winner) and Larry Heuer for serving with our President, Linda Skitka, on the Early Career Contribution Award Committee.

❖ Psychology and Social Justice (PASJ) Conference

Saturday, April 19, 2008; The New School for Social Research; New York, New York

<http://homepage.newschool.edu/~castanoe/pasj/>

Submission Deadline: February 29th 2008

The annual Psychology and Social Justice (PASJ) Conference will be held on the 19th of April 2008, hosted by the New School for Social Research, New York.

PASJ is an annual national research-oriented gathering of faculty and graduate students whose work focuses on social justice. The conference will feature a keynote address by Russell Hardin (New York University, Political Science) and invited talks by distinguished scholars including John Darley (Princeton, Psychology), Scott Atran (University of Michigan, Anthropology), and Tom Tyler (New York University, Psychology). We invite submissions addressing a wide range of issues in social justice research including (but not limited to) prejudice and stereotyping, legal and governmental procedures and outcomes, low status and minority group membership, and economic and social inequity.

Social justice research is by necessity a multidisciplinary affair and PASJ typically includes presentations from faculty and graduate students from a wide range of disciplines including psychology, sociology, anthropology, political science, and law as well as by practitioners and policy makers.

PASJ 2008 will run from 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 19th, 2008, followed by a reception. There will be a keynote address, talks by distinguished scholars, and several student speakers. An all-day poster session will take place in parallel. Refreshments and food will be provided to allow attendees to stay in the conference space during breaks for networking and discussion.

To submit, please fill out the submission form in the submission section under <http://homepage.newschool.edu/~castanoe/pasj/> and email it to pasj2008@gmail.com

The conference is organized by Social and Political Psychology students and faculty at the New School for Social Research. For questions and more information please email us at pasj2008@gmail.com or visit the conference website:

<http://homepage.newschool.edu/~castanoe/pasj/>

Keynote speaker:

- * Russell Hardin (New York University, Political Science)

Confirmed speakers:

- John Darley (Princeton University, Psychology)
- Tom Tyler (New York University, Psychology)
- Scott Atran (University of Michigan, Anthropology)
- Larry Heuer (Columbia University, Psychology)
- Hulda Thorisdottir (Princeton University, Psychology)

Invited speakers:

- Akeel Bilgrami (Columbia University, Political Philosophy)

- Courtney Jung (New School for Social Research, Political Science)

Student or faculty speakers:

- There will be 12 slots for talks given by student speakers or faculty.

Poster Session:

- Students will also have the opportunity to present posters.
- People who submitted a paper but could not be given the opportunity to speak will be invited to present their research in form of a poster.

Bernhard Leidner, Patricia Slawuta, Drs. Emanuele Castano and Jeremy Ginges
Organizing Committee

❖ 12th Conference of the International Society for Justice Research



The 12th Conference of our society is approaching fast! It's time to put in your ISJR conference submissions!

To be held in Adelaide, Australia, on August 14-17, 2008, the theme of the conference will be on "*Justice in a Diverse Society*". The conference line-up is shaping up to be one of the best in ISJR history. In addition to the stellar work of our regular conference attendees, we are anticipating a surge in international and interdisciplinary diversity. Moreover, in addition to our presidential address (Skitka) and awardee addresses (DeCremer, Deutsch, Lerner), we have fantastic keynote speakers who will discuss topics such as peace and reconciliation, Islamic ideology and thought, and discrimination of Indigenous peoples. With our optional pre-conference tours and the annual gala dinner, the 2008 conference promises to be both fun and intellectually stimulating.

Researchers from all relevant disciplines are invited to submit contributions on a topic related to this theme or *any other aspect of justice and fairness*. The Program Committee invites submissions of symposia (of, preferably, four speakers), individual papers and posters. The submission deadline is **March 15, 2008**. Further information about the conference including keynote speakers, venue, location as well as the submission procedure is available on the conference website: www.isjr.org/2008.

Also, we are happy to announce the launch of our online registration facilities. The early registration deadline is **April 30, 2008** – be sure to register and book your flights and accommodations as soon as possible. Visit the 2008 ISJR conference website to register: www.isjr.org/2008.

If you have any queries about the conference, please email the conference organizers (Chair: Michael Wenzel) at isjr@flinders.edu.au. We look forward to seeing you all in Adelaide!

❖ Call for contributions to a book on social resource theory and research

We (Kjell Törnblom & Ali Kazemi) are exploring the possibility of editing a book on progress in the area of social resource theory and research. You are probably familiar with the pioneering work of Uriel Foa who presented the first version of his resource theory of social exchange in *Science*, 1971 [Foa, U.G. (1971). Interpersonal and economic resources. *Science*, 71, 345-351]. Three years later he and his wife published a full-scale presentation of his work in this area [Foa, U. G. & Foa, E. B. (1974). *Societal structures of the mind*. Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas]. Nearly twenty years later a posthumously edited book reported representative theoretical and applied work produced during those two decades [Foa, U.G., Converse, Jr., J., Törnblom, K. Y. & Foa, E. B. (1993). *Resource theory: Explorations and applications*. New York: Academic Press].

Now an additional period of 15 years has passed during which additional research using Foa's theory or classification of resources (love, status, service, information, goods, and money) has been produced. This research is scattered in various books and journals and it is often difficult to determine from the titles of many studies whether they have used Foa's resource classification system and/or insights from his theory. We would greatly appreciate hearing from not only those of you who have published research relevant to Foa's theory, but also from those who know about or have used other resource approaches and classifications. Our ultimate goal is to elaborate and extend Foa's framework and present recently published or unpublished theoretical, empirical and/or applied work in one volume.

Thanks a lot for your possible contributions. Kjell Törnblom & Ali Kazemi.

❖ Floyd Webster Rudmin on Acculturation

Approximately 3% of the world's population are migrants, living outside their nation of birth. For many of them, the cause of migration was political, economic, or social injustice, and many of them face injustices in the adopted nations of residence. One important aspects of the migrant's experience is acculturation, both from the migrant's perspective of learning a new culture and from the nation's attitudes towards the migrant and the nation's official policy. There is a large literature on acculturation, in many disciplines. Floyd Rudmin has three acculturation manuscripts online.

(1) "Catalogue of Acculturation Constructs" which presents a history of acculturation from Plato to empirical research 1918-2003: <http://www.ac.wvu.edu/~culture/rudmin.htm>

(2) "Debate in Science: The Case of Acculturation" which argues that a century of research has been biased by the ideology of liberalism:
http://www.anthrolobe.info/docs/rudminf_acculturation_061204.pdf

(3) "Acculturation Research Bibliography" which alphabetizes and gives www links for almost 1000 references:
http://www.anthrolobe.info/bibliographies/rudmin_acculturation_bib_070611.pdf

❖ Recent Publications of ISJR Members

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- Dalbert, C. (Ed.) (2007). In issue (4) 2007, the *European Psychologist* published a special section on “Dealing with strain at the workplace: a just world perspective” edited by Claudia Dalbert with contributions of Dzuka and Dalbert on “Student violence against teachers: teachers’ well-being and the belief in a just world”, of Vera Cubela Adoric and Tina Kvartuc on “Effects of mobbing on justice beliefs and adjustment”, and of Kathleen Otto and Sabine Schmidt on “Dealing with stress in the workplace: compensatory effects of belief in a just world”, accompanied by a commentary of D. Ramona Bobocel and Carolyn L. Hafer on the special section: “Justice motive theory and the study of fairness in work organizations: a conceptual integration.”
- Dalbert, C., & Filke, E. (2007). Belief in a just world, justice judgments, and their functions for prisoners. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 34, 1516-1527.
- De Cremer, D. (Ed.) (2007). *Advances in the psychology of justice and affect*. Greenwich, CT: Information Age Publishing.
- De Cremer, D., & Mulder, L. B. (2007). A passion for respect: On understanding the role of human needs and morality. *Gruppendynamik und Organisationsberatung (Group Dynamics and Organization Consulting; Special Issue on Respect)*, 38, 439-449.
- De Cremer, D., & Sedikides, C. (2008). Reputational implications of procedural fairness for personal and relational self-esteem. *Basic and Applied Social Psychology*, 30 (1), 1-10.
- De Cremer, D., Van Dijke, M., & Bos, A. (2007). When leaders are seen as transformational: The Effects of Organizational Justice. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, 37, 1797-1816.
- De Cremer, D., & Van Knippenberg, D. (Eds.) (forthcoming). In the second issue of the 2008 volume of the *European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology* a special issue will be published focusing on the integration between leadership and fairness. This issue will be edited by David De Cremer (Tilburg University, JuST; www.centerofjust.com) and Daan van Knippenberg (Erasmus University Rotterdam).
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- Olffen van, W., & De Cremer, D. (2007). Who cares about organizational justice? Personality moderating the effects of fairness. *European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology*, 16, 386-406.
- Skitka, L. J. & Bauman, C. W. (2008). Moral conviction and political engagement. *Political Psychology*, 29, 29 – 54.
- Van Knippenberg, D., & De Cremer, D. (2007). Leadership and Fairness: The state of the art. *European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology*, 16, 113-140.