



Pathways to Inclusion

4th IASSIDD Europe Congress

Newest Advances in Research on Intellectual Disabilities



14 - 17 July 2014

University of Vienna, Austria



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<http://iassidd2014.univie.ac.at>





Vianne Timmons
IASSIDD President
President and Vice-Chancellor
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Presidential message

On behalf of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, I would like to say how pleased I am that the 4th IASSIDD Europe Regional Congress is taking place in Vienna, Austria in July, 2014.

The Congress theme – “Pathways to Inclusion” – fits very well with IASSIDD’s mandate as the world’s premiere association for research on disabilities. Our goal as an organization is to conduct, share and promote research that helps improve the lives of persons with intellectual and related developmental disabilities, and gatherings like the IASSIDD Europe Regional Congress are critical means of fulfilling that objective.

The Congress will be an important professional opportunity, providing a forum for networking and learning about trendsetting research. Participants will share with one another their work, best practices, and lessons learned, and our fabulous slate of speakers from all over the world will inspire and motivate all of us with their innovative ideas and varied perspectives on disability and inclusion.

I look forward to seeing you there!



Germain Weber
Chair Local Organisation
Dean Faculty of Psychology
University of Vienna

Dear Friends and dear Colleagues!

On behalf of the IASSIDD, the University of Vienna and the Lebenshilfe Austria I am delighted to invite you all to the 4th IASSIDD Europe Congress in Vienna.

Under the overall theme “Pathways to Inclusion”, the congress will focus on current advances in research covering the latest findings in basic, applied and participative research strategies. Besides the traditional settings for research presentation and debates, the delegates will enjoy the opportunity to experience a set of inclusive sessions and discussions with the participation of prominent self-advocates, researchers, policy makers and leaders in the field. Researchers are invited to these inclusive settings to share their knowledge with self-advocates, and self-advocates will inspire researchers with their reflections and views for developing the next research agendas, meaningful for the life of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The congress program is shaped along major themes as expressed in the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities. During these days the delegates will experience a manifold of opportunities with significant exchanges and essential debates, thus creating spaces to generate new ideas for user-inspired next innovations in research as well as encourage the delegates through these findings for meaningful and sustainable next steps when developing our inclusive societies.

I am looking forward to welcoming many of you in July 2014.

General Information

You will find detailed information about the congress, the topics and tracks, the program, the social program, the conference venue, the hotel reservation and much more on our webpage: <http://iassidd2014.univie.ac.at>



The Tracks

Symposia, invited symposia and posters as well as presentations will be clustered in 7 tracks. Each of the tracks is based on a main topic related to the UNCPRD and is closely related to the work of one or more of IASSIDD's Special Interest Research Groups.

"Inclusion"

Focus on: Supported Decision Making; Inclusion in the Workplace; Community-based Living.

The Inclusion track is offering the overall perspective for the other tracks. It is focusing on the work of self-advocates but also includes contributions of all stakeholders and consists of sessions in easy language.

"Law and Liberty of the Person"

Focus on: legal questions of including people with ID into society; consequences of changes in local or international legislation; supported decision making; questions of personal freedom; consequences of abuse and institutional mistreatment.

"Living in the Community"

Focus on: awareness of the public towards persons with ID; attitudes towards persons with ID; programs to include persons with ID into their communities; possibilities to raise awareness for inclusion; service systems.

"Education"

Focus on: special education vs. inclusion into the regular education system; life-long learning in people with ID.

"Work and Employment"

Focus on: ways to integrate people with ID into primary working sector; business and organizational models contributing and supporting people with ID.

"Participation across the Lifespan"

Focus on: age related challenges in ensuring participation and inclusion; specific possibilities and challenges related to old age for people with ID; specific possibilities and challenges for children and adolescents with ID.

"General Health and Specific Health Issues"

Focus on: matters of physical or mental health, health related behaviors.

Presentation Types

Oral presentations will be grouped into symposia of 4 presentations, allowing each presenter 15 minutes of speech, followed by 5 minutes for questions.

Poster presentations are the preferred format for presenting preliminary research or describing experimental projects, programs or works-in-progress.

Roundtable sessions are designed to encourage discussion, and should have a minimum of 4 and maximum of 5 presenters, including a chair.

Demonstration sessions allow participants to showcase their research in non-traditional formats, such as by video presentation. Depending on the nature of the demonstration, authors may be asked to provide an excerpt for the review committee before it is accepted.



First Keynote Speakers to be announced



Timothy Shriver

Social leader, educator, activist, film producer, and business entrepreneur; Chairman of the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning; member of the Council on Foreign Relations; Board member of the WPP Group, LLC; Chairman of Special Olympics. He has helped transform Special Olympics into a movement that focuses on acceptance, inclusion, and respect for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Timothy Shriver will give an opening speech at the congress.



Marianne Schulze

Austrian-Australian human rights consultant; Chairwoman of the independent and autonomous monitoring committee for the monitoring of the compliance of the UN Convention regarding rights of people with disabilities; author of several publications centered around the theme of Human Rights for people with disability, such as "Understanding the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities".



Mary McCarren

Dean of Faculty of Health Sciences, at Trinity College Dublin; member of the Trinity Center on Ageing and EngAGE, the Mercers Institute of Ageing at St. James Hospital and the TILDA Steering Committee; Chairwoman of the Scientific Committee of the IDS-TILDA; research assistant professor at the Centre for Excellence in Ageing & Community Wellness at the University at Albany NY; member of the Special Interest Groups Ageing and Down syndrome, IASSIDD. Mary McCarren will speak about "Unlocking the Determinants of Successful Ageing: The Intellectual Disability Supplement to the Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing".



Roger Banks

Consultant in the Psychiatry of Learning Disability with Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board; Honorary Senior Lecturer at Bangor University; previous Vice-President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists; Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of General Practitioners; Fellow of the Institute of Psychotherapy and Disability; Vice-Chair of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges Health Inequalities Forum; founding member of the National Strategy Group for Challenging Behaviour; President of the European Association of Intellectual Disability Medicine; member of the boards of the European Association for Mental Health in Intellectual Disability and of ARFIE; Co-Chair of the Learning Disability Advisory Group for the Welsh Government. Roger Banks will speak about health.



Jan Šiška

Associate professor at the Faculty of Education, Charles University, Prague and Western Bohemian University, Plzeň; member of the European research project Making People with Disabilities Full Citizens; member of the Government Board for Persons with Disabilities, Education Committee; country representative for the Academic Network of European Disability Experts and consultant for the National and European Associations for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and their Families SPMP ČR and Inclusion Europe; Vice Chair of the Special Interest Research Group on Comparative Policy and Practice on Intellectual Disability, IASSID. Jan Šiška will speak about "The Transition from Institutional Living Environments to Community Based Settings in Eastern European Countries".



Important Dates

Early Registration	December 1, 2013 - April 14, 2014
Standard Registration	April 15, 2013 - June 14, 2014
On Site Registration	July 13, 2014 - July 17, 2014
Abstract Submission	December 1, 2013 - January 31, 2014
Acceptance Feedback	February 28, 2014
Changes must be completed	March 7, 2014
Pre-Congress Workshops	July 14, 2014
Congress	July 15, 2014 - July 17, 2014

Registration

Participants can go through the online registration form available from December 1, 2013 until June 14, 2014 or register on site from July 13 until July 17, 2014.

The registration fee includes

- Attendance at the congress
- The congress opening and welcome ceremony at the University of Vienna (July 14, 2014)
- The reception in the town hall
- The anniversary event (not the anniversary dinner)
- Coffee breaks during the congress
- The Congress bag with the abstract book and other conference materials
- The closing ceremony
- The possibility to enroll in activities of the social program for additional fees

Abstract Submission

All contributions must be submitted via our webpage. The abstract submission can be done from December 1, 2013 until January 15, 2014. The submission will be pre-reviewed for acceptance by IASSIDD. Accepted authors will be notified by March 14, 2014. They have to register with an early fee rate by April 14, 2014 and will benefit from the early fee rate. This will allow the publication of the abstracts in time. You will find guidelines for abstract submission, policies and requirements on our webpage:

<http://iassidd2014.univie.ac.at/participate/abstract-submission>
Please read the guidelines carefully. Accepted authors must register as conference delegates and pay the registration fee. Abstracts without a paid registration fee will not be presented or published in the abstract book.

Accommodation

The organizers of the congress have pre-selected hotels of different categories for the benefit of its participants. These rooms will be allocated to participants free of any handling fee. Please visit the following link on our homepage for further information:

<http://iassidd2014.univie.ac.at/participate/accommodation>



Congress Fees

All Prices in EURO	Early Registration		Standard Registration		On Site Registration	
	Dec. 1, 2013 – April 14, 2014		April 15, 2014 – June 14, 2014		July 13, 2014 – July 17, 2014	
	IASSID Member ¹	No Membership	IASSID Member ¹	No Membership	IASSID Member ¹	No Membership
Individual, Association, Center Member	450,-	570,-	500,-	620,-	550,-	670,-
Students, Participants from low income countries ² , Retirees, Self-advocats including one assistant, BÖP, Lebenshilfe	200,-	250,-	225,-	275,-	250,-	300,-
Accompanying persons ³	80,-	120,-	80,-	120,-	80,-	120,-
Local daily registration	/	/	/	/	200,-	250,-
Pre-Congress Workshop ⁴	100,-	150,-	120,-	170,-	140,-	190,-

¹ To become a member of IASSIDD please join via the IASSIDD website: <https://iassid.org>

² based on the WHO region groupings

³ The fee covers full attendance at the congress, but not the anniversary dinner. It includes welcome ceremony, reception in the town hall, anniversary event, coffee breaks, closing ceremony and the possibility to enroll in activities of the social program for additional fees.

⁴ Half-day workshops are half the price.

Please take care! Your registration is not valid until we receive your payment.

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