

First Announcement & Call for Papers



1. European Conference on Systemic Research in Therapy, Education and Organizational Development

March 6 - 8 2014, Heidelberg University, Germany

What is special about this conference?

Located in one of Europe's oldest university towns, this conference brings together researchers, students and practitioners from all of Europe.

It combines condensed information, intensive discussion and lively personal encounters across barriers of disciplines, nations and status in a pleasant context. Fee policy and guest house arrangements will allow participants from "poor" and "rich" European countries to join.

Main conference themes will include research on:

- Systemic individual, couple, family, group, multifamily and multisystemic therapies; systemic coaching, team consultation, supervision and mediation
- Systemic approaches in counseling, medicine, social work, education, business consultation
- Narrative, dialogic, constructionist, affect-centered, ecosystemic approaches
- Differences between European countries: how families and organizations respond to the "Euro-Crisis"?
- Multiculturalism: Migrants, intercultural families and refugees in systemic therapy
- Systemic management: Change projects, family business, demography, health and diversity
- European schools: leadership, teacher training, school development; constructivist didactics
- Embodiment: on the connections between mind, brain, body and social relationships
- Philosophical and neurobiological basics of systemic therapy
- Methodologies: manualized and controlled studies; process research; self-evaluative research for practitioners; dynamic process modeling; systems change questionnaires
- How to finance and organize your research

Main Conference Formats

Key notes, symposia, discussion panels, poster sessions, market place, speed-networking, conference party

Conference Language: English (other languages possible upon special agreements).

Conference Fees	Until September 30, 2013	Until December 31, 2013	From Jan 1st, 2014 on
High income countries, regular fee	200 €	230 €	260 €
High income countries, reduced fee (sponsoring associations members)	160 €	190 €	220 €
Low income countries, regular fee	50 €	70 €	90 €
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University BA / MA students from high income countries, reduced fee	50 €	70 €	90 €

Contributions are invited for

- Organizing a symposium or a large or small or panel discussion (deadline: May 31, 2013)
- Giving a brief oral presentation (deadline: July 31, 2013)
- Exhibiting and discussing a research poster (deadline: November 30, 2013)

Guidelines for abstract submission

Please prepare your abstract in English, using single line spacing and Times New Roman font size 12. Abstracts should be submitted as word documents. The maximum word count is 300, excluding title, authors' names and affiliations. The name of the presenting author should be underlined. Please include full contact details for this author.

Conference Registration

All presenters are required to register for the conference and to pay the applicable registration fee. In case of joint authorships, if the primary author is unable to attend and has made arrangements for someone else to present, that person must register and pay the applicable registration fee.

The conference is organized by

Institute of Medical Psychology, Heidelberg University

In collaboration with EFTA (European Family Therapy Association), DGSF (German Association for Systemic Therapy, Counseling and Family Therapy) and SG (Systemic Association)

Conference Presidents: Prof. Dr. Jochen Schweitzer, Dr. Matthias Ochs

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The conference program and registration form will soon be available on
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