

*This update is for the members of the European Society for Prevention Research (EUSPR).*

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### **Great News: the EUSPR is now official!**

There is very good news for everyone who has followed the development of the EUSPR from the very beginning; from initial thoughts in Rome in 2009 to last November's inaugural meeting in Amsterdam.

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2010 the Society was formally approved and registered by the Polish authorities as an international not-for-profit organization, based at the Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology in Warsaw. The news reached us too late to raise a toast on New Year's Eve, but not too late to look forward to 2011, leading to what we believe will be many exciting happenings and vital activities.

Let me highlight in a few sentences the core mission of the Society as sanctioned in the Statute:

#### Article 8

- ◆ International, open and cooperative
- ◆ Concerned with the quality of prevention research and education
- ◆ Promoting active dissemination of research results to communities

#### Article 16

- ◆ Democratic and transparent
- ◆ Members' general meeting the highest decisional level

#### Article 26

- ◆ Technical and professional
- ◆ Technical Committees in all important sectors of activities

The complete Statute can be found on the [EUSPR website](http://www.euspr.org).

## **Follow-up to the EUSPR Conference 2010**

The 1st European Society for Prevention Research Conference and Members' Meeting took place on 10-11 November 2010 in Amsterdam during the EUPHA conference. Selected presentations as well as reflections on the meeting and workshops are now available on the [EUSPR website](#).

We would like to encourage all conference participants to register with the EUSPR. If you are aware of colleagues who attended the conference but are not yet members of the EUSPR, we would kindly ask you to forward them the link to our application form:

<http://www.euspr.org/images/pdfs/membership.doc>.

Registration will ensure that interested professionals receive our latest announcements.

## **Save the date: EUSPR Conference 2011**

I am also proud to announce our next meeting, which will include the formal election of the Society's organs:

**Lisbon, Portugal on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2011**

**PLEASE MARK THE DATE!**

**Suggestions on topics and speakers for the meeting are warmly welcome, and can be emailed to Harry Sumnall ([h.sumnall@ljmu.ac.uk](mailto:h.sumnall@ljmu.ac.uk)) until the end of February 2011.**

## **Web-survey on membership fees**

As announced in Amsterdam, we would like to invite members to express their opinion as to the benefits they would like to be connected to membership and the amount of the fees they think is appropriate.

A guide to formal application for EUSPR membership will appear on the website in the course of the next month. Until formal registration is announced membership will remain free. Once formal registration is announced, you will be invited to become a full, fee paying member as free membership will no longer be valid.

**Please visit [our web-survey](#) and don't miss the opportunity to make your voice heard!**

The survey will take less than 5 minutes to complete and also allows you to express interest in joining one of our proposed technical committees (research; education and training). The survey will be available online until **4<sup>th</sup> February 2011**.

## **Finally...**

Let me thank all the people and institutions that made the Society's achievements possible and worthwhile, in particular:

Jeff Lee, Executive Director, The Mentor Foundation (International)

Zili Sloboda, Director, Research and Development, JBS International Inc.

The US National Institute on Drug Abuse - NIDA

The European Public Health Association – EUPHA

The Editor of the European Journal of Public Health

And, obviously the members of the Interim Board!

## **A great 2011 to all of us!**

### **Rosaria Galanti**

Acting President of the EUSPR Interim Board of Directors

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## **The E-Newsletter**

The EUSPR Newsletter is sent six times a year. If you have information that you would like to feature for the March 2011 issue please [contact us](#).

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