

JOIN EARLY RESEARCHERS UNION OF EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

Doctoral students or post-docs (up to four years after the Ph.D.) all over the world primarily interested in developmental psychology or some aspects of developmental psychology are welcome to contribute to the establishment of Early Researchers Union of European Society for Developmental Psychology.

Early Researchers vision is to develop the international cooperative community of early researchers interested in developmental psychology.

Early Researchers Union primary activities:

- to build a network between early European researchers all over Europe for future research collaboration;
- to exchange information and experiences about doctoral studies and programs in different European countries;
- to exchange information and experiences about scholarships for early researchers and projects running in Europe in developmental psychology.

Officials of Early Researchers Union:

1. Laura Ustinaviciute from Lithuania was elected as the president of the Union.
2. Dorothy Grigg from the United Kingdom was elected as the Secretary of the Union.
3. Marcus Paulus from the Netherlands was elected as the treasurer of the Union.

Representatives of Early Researchers Union

NAME	SURNAME	UNIVERSITY	COUNTRY	INTEREST OF RESEARCH AREA	E-MAIL
Dorothy	Grigg	University of London	England	Definitions, concepts and perceptions of cyber-bullying and cyber-aggression	D.Grigg@gold.ac.uk
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Markus	Paulus	Radboud University Nijmegen	The Netherlands	Functional and neural mechanisms of imitation and action perception in infancy, embodied cognition and acquisition of semantics in adults, development of physical concepts and object knowledge in infants, language acquisition, social development and joint action	m.paulus@donders.ru.nl
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Laura	Ustinaviciute	Mykolas Romeris University	Lithuania	Criminal and risk behaviour, transitions from adolescence to adulthood	laurau@mruni.eu

Further information:

[How to become a member of ESDP ERU](#)

[Minutes of the First ESPD Early Researchers union held during the ECDP conference in Lithuania August 2009](#)

How to become a member of ESDP ERU

If you are interested, please send your name and contact information (see example below) to Laura Ustinaviciute: laurau@mruni.eu

Name	Surname	Country	University	E-mail	Research area	Representative*

**In addition, to establish the ESDP Early Researchers Union, we need a representative from each European country (not very much work, but attractive for the CV). Please sign below if you would like to become a representative of the ESDP Student Union in your country. In case you don't want to become a representative, but you know another colleague who might, please send us his/her name and contact information.*

Full details are available on the membership and renewal forms which may be downloaded from this page. The form must be signed and posted as it requests payment through a credit card number.

[Download Membership Application form in PDF format*](#)

*Requires Adobe Reader

Considering that the membership includes the Journal (The European Journal of Developmental Psychology) and more generally new services to the membership, the Business meeting has endorsed the following membership fees:

Normal fees for the two-year cycle: €120 (reduced, €70*, students €70 or 40).

* Reduced fees only for colleagues from those countries considered as developing ones by the World Bank (see "list for reduced fees" in the Membership Application form)

Minutes of the First ESPD Early Researchers Union held during the ECDP conference in Lithuania August 2009

The meeting started with brief introduction by members of ESPD outlining the goal and mission of the Early Researchers Union (ERU).

The names of ERU Members were called out members were given their ID cards.

A further briefing of 'get together' meeting on informal chat on how to build the union was announced.

At the get together:

The forum was friendly and everyone was calm and relaxed. Members got to know one another by giving brief introduction of their subject area and their speciality.

Matters Arising:

1. There was a collective agreement on yearly review of articles from various psychological journals. It was suggested that key members be chosen from the meeting as it was not certain when it would be possible for next gathering.
2. To carry out presidential reviews and comments on 'the year so far'.
3. To email/contact countries who do not have nominated National Representatives to do so.
4. To create a structure for the ERU i.e. (i) nomination of a president (ii) vice president (iii) secretary and (iv) treasurer.
5. To contribute and help one another in networking and support.
6. It was agreed that members should describe what Developmental Psychology means in their individual countries so that other people can compare or contrast this with theirs.
7. It was also agreed that it is important to understand educational steps involved in becoming and qualifying as a psychologist in each member country.
8. To research available funding that exists for the pursuance of post doctorate researchers.
9. To create a web-page for the ERU forum.

Selection of officials:

4. The initial selection started with the nomination of National Representatives (NRs). In total, 9 (nine) NRs were selected from the countries present during this time with the exemption of : (i) Cyprus, (ii) Greece, (iii) Nigeria, (iv) France, (v) Poland, (vi) Norway, (vii) Ukraine, (viii) Iran, (ix) Latvia and (x) Austria.
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Suggestions and further matter arising

The position for vice president and any other necessary official posts are currently vacant.

It was agreed that names of all the NRs be published out to members in due course so each member would know who to contact in the first instance within their country regarding any matter or questions they may have.

Further Questions were asked whether:

1. It is possible to create awards for ERU PhD students who present outstanding work.
2. Consensus for members to pay less for conferences.
3. To know the ESDP Committee contribution and thoughts towards the union aims and objective and how they will help manifest ERU dreams.