

From the Board

Advertisement Board Elections

Dear members of ISPPM e.V.,

in 2016 will be elections of a new board. All six positions become newly elected:

- President
- Vice-President
- Vice-President
- Chairman of the extended board
- Treasurer
- Secretary

From the actual board only Wolfgang Bott and Johanna Schacht will be candidates for a third term.

We like very much to prepare the transition well and hold to the continuity of our work.

So we ask all persons interested in an application for the new board team (actually the position is yet secondary) to contact us until latest Monday, 15th of February 2016, (E-Mail secretary@isppm.de / Tel. +49(0)611-97457598).

We invite all interested persons to participate in the closed meeting of the extended board in Wiesbaden where we like to open a space for knowing about the work, the persons, and the clearing of questions.

This means, all of you who are not yet decided should come, too. Please make a note of the appointment for the weekend 19th/20th of March 2016. We'll start Saturday, 12 o'clock, and finish on Sunday 2 p.m. ISPPM e.V. shall take over your hotel and travel-costs.

You may as well participate in our telephone conferences which we have every fortnight to get some insight into the work of the board.

We hope that you are interested to engage in ISPPM and give us a positive response.

With best greetings and wishes for the end of the year

Your board team of isppm e.V.

Sven Hildebrandt, Helga Blazy, Gabriella Ferrari, Wolfgang Bott, Johanna Schacht

Dear ISPPM Members,

We regret to inform you that our lovely congress in Berlin that took place in the autumn of 2015 ended up with a minus amount.

Unfortunately, we happened to make a mistake when we did the overall costs estimation. In the first place, we did not correctly assess the booking costs for the premises where the different workshops took place. They turned out to be higher than firstly assessed due to the larger number of participants. We had actually only calculated a certain blanket amount. Secondly, we did not take into account sufficiently the costs for our banquet on Saturday night, the reason being that we had fixed an overall price for the whole event which proved to be much too low. Strictly speaking, we would have had to fix a higher price – approximately 20 to 25 € more per person – for the participation in our conference. Owing to our mistake which we sincerely regret and for which we honestly apologise we ended up with a minus amount of round about 2.000 €. We have certainly learnt from our miscalculation and I am personally concerned being the treasurer. The next time we need to be more accurate in estimating

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the costs for future events and especially for the locations we will be choosing. I sincerely hope that we will manage this issue in a better way and I will do my very best to avoid making the same mistake again.

Wolfgang Bott, Treasurer
on behalf of the board team

From the Extended Board

The ISPPM annual General Meeting that took place in Berlin adopted the formation of the following new Work Group:

Work Group „Womb Twin Survivor“

Womb Twin Survivors have been suffering the lifelong prenatal trauma of having lost one or multiple twins during their mothers' pregnancy. This womb experience exerts an enormous stress on them, more so because being a primal trauma it cannot be recollected by the conscious mind. Consequently, no comprehensible anchor is being given for physical and/or psychogenic symptoms. The cellular memory where the loss of a twin is deeply engraved triggers time and time again memories on the physical level which are impossible to be dealt with cognitantly.

The new Work Group was founded to inform in depth professionals in the field but also those personally concerned about this trauma and its impacts on those who suffer from it.

The Work Group has agreed on persuing the following objectives:

- Creating a network of medical, psychological and physiotherapeutical competence provinces;
- Disseminating expert knowledge, new insights and offering comprehensive vantage points;
- Offering improved help for people needing and searching special support to empower them to come to terms with the trauma they have been suffering for so long;
- Sensitising obstetricians and midwives, as well as gynecologists to arouse growing awareness for this issue;
- Expanding therapeutical support extensively for those concerned and making it more transparent and accessible;
- Providing support on an interdisciplinary level aimed at achieving lasting and comprehensive healing of the traumas endured;
- Cooperating on a national and international level with associations, institutions and research facilities dealing with pre- and perinatal traumatherapy;
- Publizing the most recent research findings;
- Explaining the implications of the reproductive medicine on the unborn baby and its bonding requirements within the given family constellation.

Contact: Petra Becker and Britta Steinbach, E-Mail: info@twin-light.de

Furthermore, it is planned to merge the 3 Work Groups „Ceasarean“, „Relation-oriented Birthing Culture“ and the former Work Group „Prenatal Psychology for Midwives“ into a single one carrying the new denomination „**Prevention in Obstetrics**“

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An interdisciplinary team of therapists, obstetrics and midwives shall head the work group together.

Contact: Judith Raunig, Vienna, E-Mail: info@nach-dem-kaiserschnitt.at

The annual Conference also agreed on adopting the initiative to set up a **Work Group** entitled „**Children's Rights**“ which should already take up its work provisionally until the work group would be formally founded at the next general meeting.

Contact: Rien Verdult, Gors-Opleeuw, Belgium, E-Mail: rien.verdult@skynet.be

All 3 new Work Groups are looking for further members (especially widwives for the WG „Obstetrics“). In case of interest, please contact the persons indicated!

News from the Network

Current issues relating to the National Coalition

NETZWERK ZUR UMSETZUNG DER UN-KINDERRECHTSKONVENTION

NATIONAL COALITION DEUTSCHLAND

Report on the Opening of a Monitoring Office for the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and concerning the hearing of the civil society in November 2015

By Marita Klippel-Heidekrüger

Translation: Christa Balkenhol-Wright



In honor of the 25 Anniversary of the adoption of the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child the German federal minister Manuela Schwesig promised to set up an independent Monitoring Office for the nationwide implementation of the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child. Minister Schwesig inaugurated this Office officially on November 17, 2015 which has been integrated into the premises of the German

Institute for Human Rights in Berlin. Members of the National Coalition Germany (N-K-D) were invited to the ceremony, among which were also representatives of the ISPPM.

The Monitoring Office is supposed to act as an independent body being



financially supported during the next two years by the German Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth in form of a financial aid amounting to 690.000 €.

As the Head of the new Monitoring Office, Claudia Kittel, explained the main tasks of this Office will be to identify problems with the implementation of the UN Convention of the

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Rights of the Child. The Office's tasks will be monitoring, documenting and checking ongoing activities as well as networking, pointing out shortcomings and proposing improvements. The Office will also play a consultative role in political decision-making processes both with regard to legislation and political discussions and by means of intensive persuasion efforts it will play an active part in scientific and other expert discourses.

While enjoying some fine food we succeeded time and again in drawing attention to one of the most important ISPPM concerns which is to integrate the „pre- and perinatal child“ into the Monitoring Office's task programme. During the inaugurating ceremony we even managed to capture the interest of younger representatives of some NGOs, mainly journalists and moderators.

The same day, the ISPPM, being a „cooperative member“ of the National Coalition for the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, was also invited to take part in the First Consultation of the Civil Society. Approximately 65 other participants representing different NGOs and being member of the National Coalition Germany were also present. We were all given the opportunity to answer questions asked by the staff of the Monitoring Office.

The following questions were being asked in 5 different workshops:

- Which of the children's rights are being violated?
- What needs to be changed?
- What are the representatives' expectations concerning the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Germany which was already adopted in 1989, as well as concerning its benefits for their respective organisations and how could the Monitoring Office help to reach these aims?
- Which target groups do the participants in this meeting represent?

These Workshops offered the opportunity to refer to the deficits in securing prenatal mother-child protection. The participating representatives welcomed the information that the ISPPM is focussing on the deficiencies covering the period from the 13 to the 42 gestation week. Some participants made helpful comments in that matter. However, one aspect remains essential which is the preservation of the women's right of self-determination, with all participants agreeing to that.

The Head of the Monitoring Office, Claudia Kittel, admitted in a personal conversation during a break that prematernity medical care and birth are increasingly being dominated by technical surveillance and governed by economic considerations and that they neither satisfy the needs of the future mother respectively parents nor those of the unborn child.

Dominik Bär, research assistant, asked for the position paper entitled „Deficits in Prenatal Mother/Child Protection“ that was edited by the organisation GreenBirth e.V. (registered association) who was in charge of this project. He also asked GreenBirth for the translation of Bruce Abramson's lecture on „Background Information about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (Geneva 2004)“ that had been translated by GreenBirth members in 2015.

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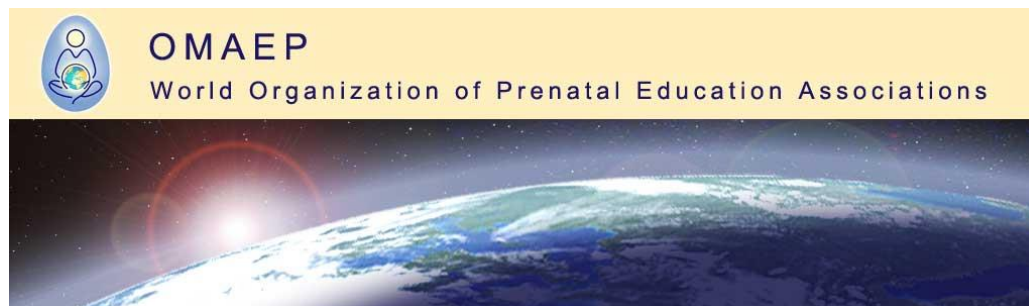
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I had the overall impression that the deficiencies in prenatal mother/child protection attracted the wide interest of the people responsible within the Monitoring Office. I am confident that they will certainly welcome the extensive knowledge about the importance of the prenatal period that our ISPPM Society can provide.

Representatives of other members of the National Coalition Germany at times also showed some open interest.

If GreenBirth and the ISPPM succeed in creating within the Monitoring Office a lobby for the rights of the unborn child, similar to the one that was set up by the Disabled Rights Organizations in the fold of the National Coalition Germany and in accordance with the Disabled Rights Convention, then the prenatal child will also gain political clout. It was very touching to assist in the „hour of birth“ so to speak of the Monitoring Office for the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in my capacity of ISPPM and GreenBirth representative.

New Executive Committee at OMAEP



The World Organization OMAEP held a symposium in Paris on October 10 entitled „Prenatal Education, a Solution for Our Society“ which was followed by the General Assembly on October 11 and 12 who elected a new Executive Committee composed as follows:

President: Gheorghe Anton, President of the Swiss Association AIP

1. Vice-President: Lavinia Nanu, President of the Roumanian AEP

2. Vice-President: Carla Machado, President of the Brazilian ANEP

Secretary General: Ioanna Mari, former President of OMAEP

1. Treasurer: Denis Ray, associate President of the Swiss AIP

2. Treasurer: Evelyne Lemoigne, President of the French ANEP

Administration: Evelyne Routier, associate President of the French ANEP

Administration: Pilar Vizcaino, President of the Spanish ANEP

We convey our gratitude to Marie-Luise Schneider, member of the executive board of the German ANEP („VvE e.V.“) for representing the ISPPM e.V. at this very important OMAEP conference.

APPPAH has a new logo: <https://birthpsychology.com/>

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Film Project: “Die sichere Geburt” (“Giving Birth Safely”)

The German film maker Carola Hauck finances her project with the help of donations that are being collected via the ISPPM. The reason for this being to obtain the approval of the non-profit status from the tax authorities.

Become a film producer and contribute to the realisation of this important documentation by donating money to this project.

See: <http://www.die-sichere-geburt.de/finanzierung.html>

Please, visit our [Facebook-site](#) for more information.

Events Diary

Dates isppm e.V.

19/20 March 2016

Meeting of the extended board and the scientific advisory board of isppm e.V.

Beginning: Saturday 12.00 h, End: Sunday 14.00 h
Wilhelm-Kempf-Haus, Wiesbaden

10 – 12 June 2016

Bonding Analysis Conference in Cologne

Contact: Helga Blazy nc-blazyhe@netcologne.de

October 21 – 23, 2016

28th Annual Conference in Stolpen near Dresden

Integration and coherence

Prenatal Psychology in Science, Research, Education and Practice of
Obstetrics, Pediatrics and Psychotherapy

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Dates Conferences and Congresses

January 14 – 17, 2016

**The World Congress on Recurrent Pregnancy Loss
(WCRPL 2016)**

Cannes, France

www.wcrpl.com

February 12/13, 2016

The 13th National Congress of the HSPPM

Hungarian Society of Prenatal and Perinatal Psychology and Medicine

Life inside the womb - growth potentials in the pre- and perinatal period.

Perinatal programming, vegetative imprinting, primal health

Budapest, Hungary

Program: <http://www.mpppot.hu>

Language: The conference is held in Hungarian, but on request with English interpretation.

Accredited by OFTEX, code number: 60398, number of points: 12

Updates about the Congress at: <https://www.facebook.com/mpppot/>

Contact: mpppot@gmail.com

April 6–10, 2016

Midwifery Today Conference

“Honoring Our Past, Embracing Our Future”

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

<http://midwiferytoday.com/conferences/Harrisburg2016/default.asp>

May 29 – June 2, 2016

15th WAIMH World Congress

Infant Mental Health in a rapidly changing world: Conflict, adversity, and resilience

Hosted by Israeli and Palestinian Infant Mental Health Associations, Prague

<http://www.waimh.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3298>

September 3 – 9, 2016

Healthy Birth, Healthy Earth

A Findhorn Foundation Conference

<https://www.findhorn.org/programmes/193/>

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1./2. Oktober 2016

Attachment Parenting Congress

Hamburg

<http://www.attachment-parenting-kongress.de>

October 07 – 09, 2016

15th International Attachment Conference

Attachment and emotional Violence

Munich

<http://bindungskonferenz-muenchen.de/1-1-Home.html>

19 – 23 October 2016

Midwifery Today Conference

“Birth Is a Human Rights Issue”

Strasbourg, France

<http://midwiferytoday.com/conferences/Strasbourg2016/>

January, 2017

Human Rights in Childbirth: India Conference

Bangalore, India

humanrightsinchildbirth.com/india-conference/

Further Education/Workshops

In the Netherlands:

Integrative Baby Therapy Training

Trainings leader: Matthew Appleton, Assistant: Yvonne Welling

Pre- and perinatal birth psychology: Professional and practice oriented

one day intro: 23th January 2016

module 1: 11,12,13 march 2016

module 2: 10,11,12 June 2016

module 3: 7,8,9 October 2016

module 4: 27,28,29 January 2017

module 5: 19,20,21 Mai 2017

module 6: 6,7,8 October 2017

Location: Rotterdam / The Hague area

More information: <http://www.conscious-embodiment.co.uk/>

Registration: Yvonne Welling integrativebabytherapytraining@gmail.com

In Belgium:

"Healing from the very beginning"

Intro Course

Pre- and perinatal psychotherapy

With Max Peschek (IPPE), Assistants: Sylvie Geerdens and Marleen Dols

22 - 24 April 2016

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The intro-course is suited for anyone who is interested in pre- and perinatal psychology and his personal process, especially pediatricians, gynecologists, body- and psychotherapists, craniosacral therapists, osteopaths, lactation consultants, nurses and midwives.

The course will be held in English. Translation in German and Dutch is possible.

Information: Marleen Dols, marleendols@online.nl

More Information: <http://www.therapie-bremen.eu/pages/kurse/einfuehrung.php>

In Switzerland:

Advanced Embodiment Course

With Karlton und Kathryn Terry and Peter Schindler

Lessons from the hourglass: 5 - 10 November 2015

The Art of the Tryptic: 12 - 17 November 2016

Seminarhotel Wasserfallen bei Basel (Schweiz)

http://www.ippe.info/courses/embodiment_hourglass_classes.html

Registration: Max Peschek, peschek.max@t-online.de,

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Karlton Terry will be in Basel twice for **Baby Clinic:**

23/24 April 2016

19/20 November 2016

Birth journey – Self-awareness Workshop

with M. Appleton & Jenni Meyer

Fr Mai 6, 2016, 10:00h - So Mai 8, 2016, 17:00 h

Seminar-Hotel Rigi am See, Weggis in Weggis

The complete **seminar program of ISPPM Switzerland** here:

<http://www.isppm.ch/programm/>

In Austria:

Babytherapy Advanced Workshop with Karlton Terry:

Treatment of IVF-Babys

Teilnahmevoraussetzung: Abschluß der Babytherapie-Ausbildung

Location: Vienna

Date: October 30 - November 2, 2015

Information and registration: Claudia Versluis, claudia.versluis@aon.at

In Germany:

Foundation course

2017-2020, with Max Peschek und Team in Parin, Germany:

Information and registration: Max Peschek, peschek.max@t-online.de

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In England:

Courses with Matthew Appleton and Jenni Meyer:

Soul Loss: A Pre and Perinatal Perspective

The Birth Journey – Honouring the Untold Story and others:

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<http://www.conscious-embodiment.co.uk/courses>

Gems of Ancient Wisdom

Workshop mit Antonella Sansone

Before Conception throughout Pregnancy, Birth and Parenting

A visit to the Himba, a tribe of Namibia, with images of their social life and allomothering

- Parenting and Infant Mental Health in the Context of our Lives and Society
- Indigenous Cultures as the Best Available Window into the Social Lives of our Ancestors Sustaining a Fulfilling Birth, Motherhood and Secure Attachment
- The Preconception and Prenatal Roots of Empathy, Compassion and Communal Care
- Practices to Develop Empathy and Compassion Fundamental for a Baby to Thrive
- How to Integrate Ancient Wisdom with Scientific Discoveries
- How to Prevent and Heal Birth and Developmental Trauma..... and Many More Fascinating Topics

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