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EHPS Networking Grant Initiative 2010

The EHPS launched a new Networking Grant initiative in 2010. The aim of the Networking Grants is to support collaboration across EHPS countries and members in their research endeavours. It is hoped that these grants will catalyze initial stages of the development of collaborative research projects involving EHPS members in different institutions/countries (e.g., a small pilot study/meeting or a first part of a larger project).

In 2010 a full Networking Grant (5,000 Euros) was awarded to a team that aims to set up a European network of researchers to explore the potentials and mechanisms behind self-affirmation. In particular, moderators of the effects of self-affirmation on health cognitions (e.g., risk perceptions, intentions) and health behaviours will be examined. Funds were requested to support a series of pilot studies based on the expertise of the applicants and research meetings to discuss results and write a competitive European wide grant proposal. The collaborators on this project include Richard Cooke (Aston University, UK), Peter Harris (University of Sheffield, UK), Guido van Koningsbruggen (University of Utrecht, NL), Urte Scholz (University of Zurich, CH), and Benjamin Schüz (German Centre of Gerontology, D). Benjamin and the team will write a short report about the outcomes of this award later in 2011 in the European Health Psychologist.

CREATE Visiting Scholar Grants/Tandem Grants

In 2009, the EHPS decided to fund two new initiatives with the purpose of promoting collaboration and networking across countries: 2 tandem grants for a

maximum of 2000 Euros each, and 2 visiting scholar grants for a maximum of 1000 Euros each (which gives a total of 6000 Euro). In 2010, we ran these schemes for young researchers for the second time.

In 2009, we had many, very high quality applications for both types of grants. In 2010, however, we only received applications for the visiting scholar grants. The grants committee evaluated the applications and then proposed to award grants to 6 visiting scholar projects. The Executive Committee agreed to transfer the money from the tandem grants to the visiting scholar grants. The projects covered a wide rage of topics, such as "mindfulness interventions in healthcare professionals who suffer from burnout", "psychological health and wellbeing of women who have had instrumental intervention during childbirth", "grief of healthcare professionals and how it affects patient care", "social exclusion in chronic pain patients", "the role of social identity in shaping sexual behaviour of men who have sex with men", and "impact of training delivered to volunteer walk leaders". Recipients were Asimina Lazaridou from Greece visiting Ellen Lager, Ingrid Rowlands from Australia visiting Maggie Redshaw. Leeat Granek from Canada visiting Michelle Fine, Adriana Banozic from Croatia visiting Jessie Dezutter and Jos Corveleyn, Kasia Banas from the UK visiting John de Wit, Katerina Kassavou from the UK visiting Kerry Chamberlain. All 6 recipients have been asked to send a short abstract that will be published on the EHPS website and to write a report for the EHP as well.

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