

Conference Theme

The uses of psychiatric epidemiology in improving population mental health.

As we are all aware: "There is no health without mental health." Improving mental health is a key pathway to improving overall health and reducing the burden of disease in global populations. The theme of the next IFPE conference reflects the myriad uses of psychiatric epidemiology in improving population mental health. Today's psychiatric epidemiologists not only identify prevalence, risk and protective factors in a context of rapidly changing cultural and social environments, but also consider the emerging knowledge regarding the interaction between genetic and environmental factors. Key issues include the comorbidity of mental and physical disorders, the global burden of disease, and the impact of mental illness across the lifespan.

The 14th International Congress of IFPE provides an excellent forum for the exchange of ideas. This is an opportunity for experts engaged with these issues to report and discuss their findings and to offer new perspectives on interesting issues in the field. Younger researchers earlier in their careers are also especially encouraged to participate.

Apart from the main theme of the congress, research reports from all other aspects of psychiatric epidemiology, including service planning and service evaluation, pharmaco-epidemiology and clinical epidemiology are very welcome. The conference in Leipzig will offer opportunities for researchers from around the globe. The congress will consist of plenary sessions, symposia, free paper presentations, poster sessions and workshops on research methods.

Important Dates

Online-Registration will open May 2012

Submission of abstract: August 30, 2012

Notification of acceptance of abstract: November 15, 2012

Payment of early registration: January 15, 2013

IFPE

IFPE is an international organization devoted to the promotion of epidemiological and health services research on mental disorders. Founded in 1985, it is an independent, non-profit association relying entirely on annual subscription fees. There are corporate, individual, and associate members. Corporate members include national associations of psychiatric epidemiology in Canada, France, Italy, Nordic countries, Spain and Switzerland, and the Section of Epidemiology, Institute of Psychiatry, London. Individual or corporate membership applications should be made in writing to the President, Professor Johannes Wancata.

The 14th International Congress of IFPE will be held in cooperation with the German Association for Psychiatry and Psychotherapy (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Psychiatrie, Psychotherapie und Nervenheilkunde – DGPPN) and the German Society for Epidemiology (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Epidemiologie – DGEpi).

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Welcome

Dear friends and colleagues,

The 14th International Congress of the IFPE to be held in Leipzig, Germany 5 - 8 June 2013. The city of Leipzig provides an exciting environment in which to exchange ideas. Leipzig has had a long tradition of hosting international visitors as a central location of historic trade routes. Similarly, a tradition of learning dates back in Leipzig over 600 years when the Universität Leipzig was founded. And, in the early 1990s the peaceful political actions here played a central role in the reunification of Germany.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you as guests in our historic city known for its music, art, and politics. Leipzig's residents have included famous composers Johann Sebastian Bach, Richard Wagner, Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy, and Robert Schumann. Their musical imprint is left on the city today with daily concert offerings and museums honoring Leipzig's musical past. Leipzig's thriving contemporary art scene is the home of numerous art galleries and artists studios. We hope you will join us next year.

Best wishes,
Steffi Riedel-Heller
Local Host

Dear colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to inform you that the 14th International Congress of the International Federation of Psychiatric Epidemiology will be held in Leipzig, Germany hosted by Professor Steffi Riedel-Heller. The congress theme will be, "The uses of psychiatric epidemiology in improving population mental health," however, contributions to all aspects of psychiatric epidemiology are welcome. We look forward to seeing you in Leipzig in 2013!

Johannes Wancata
IFPE President

Information

Venue

The Westin Hotel Leipzig
04105 Leipzig, Germany | www.westinleipzig.com

Language

The official language of the Congress will be English.

Accommodation

We booked a number of rooms at the conference venue The Westin Hotel Leipzig. Hotel booking will be included in the registration process.
Single room: 150.00 EUR | Double room: 170.00 EUR
Additionally, there are numerous hotels and hostels in the vicinity to accommodate in any budget. Information about additional overnight accommodation will be available on the meeting website.

Travel, Fellowships and Bursaries

In keeping with its tradition, IFPE will support participants from low income countries, trainees, and graduate students with some contribution to registration, travel, and accommodation. Details will be available on the Internet.

Transportation

The Leipzig/Halle airport is conveniently located and easily accessible to travelers. It affords regular connections to major international hubs and direct flights to numerous European capitals.

Social Programme

Various sightseeing tours will be available to participants and accompanying guests during and after the Congress, more details will be provided in the 2nd announcement.

Welcome reception: Westin Hotel

Conference dinner: Gondwanaland – a futuristic building hosting a tropical rainforest in the middle of Leipzig:
www.zoo-leipzig.de

Second Announcement

The 2nd announcement with further details regarding the programme, registration fees, travel and accommodation, and the call for abstracts will be published soon. If you want to be sure to receive the 2nd announcement, please email: sjansen@eventlab.org

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