

ESCP Newsletter

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Dear *ESCP* Member,

This is just a short flash of news to assure you that we are alive and working, here at the committee. This year was one without an *ESCP* conference, but this does not mean that nothing happened. Quite to the contrary. There was an extremely good summer school on the psychology of language this year, and we sponsored four workshops:

1. Geoff Underwood (University of Nottingham, UK). *Eye guidance and visual attention*. Chamonix (France), February 22–March 1, 1997.
2. Robert Logie (University of Aberdeen, UK) & Tore Helstrup (University of Oslo, Norway). *European workshop on imagery and cognition 1997*. Oslo, August 9–13, 1997.
3. Ruth Campbell (University College London, UK) & Christian Benoit (University of Stendhal, France). *Audiovisual speech: computational and cognitive science approaches*. Rhodes (Greece), September 26–27, 1997.
4. Hubert Zimmer (University of the Saarland, Germany). *Resource limitations in attention, memory, and action*. Saarbrücken, April 9–11, 1997.

All these activities seem to have been very exciting. Extensive covering of these activities is reserved for the next newsletter which is due out in the spring of 1998.

Meanwhile, a new membership directory has been shipped to you together with the previous newsletter. Some of you have reacted to this initiative and we are grateful for your comments. In some cases the data in the directory are incorrect or out of date. We apologize for any errors on our side. For correct information we are very dependent on the members, however. Therefore, we urge you to provide us with any changes in address, phone or e-mail. You can simply e-mail your changes to the secretary: Andre.Vandierendonck@rug.ac.be.

We also see a steady inflow of new members. An interesting feature here is that part of the new members come from eastern European countries, which is a positive sign. Apart from that, I also notice that some countries with a long-standing tradition in cognitive psychology are proportionally less well represented. Especially, the UK must be mentioned here as an example in point, but for sure not the only one. Senior members in these countries could stimulate their doctoral students and their younger collaborators to join *ESCP*.

I would also like to draw your attention that 1998 is an election year in our society. It maybe worthwhile to start thinking about persons who would like to take office in the committee.

From 1998 on, Claus Bundesen will be replaced as treasurer by Joachim Hoffmann. So, if you have any questions or problems concerning payment and treasury, from now on you can direct your questions to Joachim. His coordinates are:

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I think I may speak on behalf of all you when I express our gratitude to Claus Bundesen for the excellent way in which he handled the treasury in the past few years. This is a big job, it brings a lot of work and worries. He managed to keep the reserves of the society in a stable position, by convincing the other committee members to be careful with expenses. Claus, you did a marvelous job, and there are no words that can match what you did. Thank you.

Finally, with this newsletter you will also find the final call for the Jerusalem conference in 1998. I hope this conference will be a big event, comparable to the latest conferences. We, on the committee, hope to see many of you in Jerusalem. See you all there.

André Vandierendonck