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Call for Submissions

54th International Annual Meeting

Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

Wed, June 21 - Sat, June 24, 2023

Submission Portal Dates:

Open: Tuesday, November 15th, 2022

Close: Thursday, December 15th, 2022

Conference Theme

Rephrasing the social representation of
Psychotherapy: An engagement with Public
Mental Health

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Welcome

We are delighted to announce the 54th International Annual Meeting of the Society for Psychotherapy Research (SPR) to be held in Dublin, Ireland from Wednesday, June 21st, through Saturday, June 24th, 2023 with a hybrid on-site/online format.

The theme of our next meeting is "Rephrasing the social representation of Psychotherapy: An engagement with Public Mental Health".

The idea is to address one of the aspects to be taken into account in the post pandemic

reality, what is the current status that society gives to psychotherapy and its effects. As psychotherapy researchers and practitioners, we must ask ourselves how our actions impact on a society with dynamic and pressing problems. It is therefore necessary to think about how we approach underserved and vulnerable populations and their need for effective and efficient psychotherapeutic treatments.

Old questions about how we communicate with practitioners, institutions and governments and whether technology can enhance such communication are also being re-edited.

But above all, it opens a space for thinking about how mental health professionals prepare for both social and environmental changes in a broad sense.

We invite submissions on all areas of psychotherapy research, practice, and training. We welcome contributions regarding advanced methods, innovative research designs and empirical studies of different treatment modalities and approaches, diverse populations, as well as a wide range of diagnostic and problem categories. Although some preference will be given to the presentation of completed studies, we also aim to foster discussion of research projects at various developmental stages, especially in the format of posters.

There are five categories or types of presentation to be submitted for the 2023 conference:

Panels, structured discussions, brief papers, posters, and pre-conference workshops. To increase the value of poster and brief paper sessions, the program committee will organize them into groups by topic. In some instances, you may be asked to present your submission as brief papers or posters rather than panels or papers.

Instructions

Interest in SPR conferences has grown over the years and we wish to give many researchers the opportunity to present. Consequently, we ask that individuals please limit their involvement to one presentation as first author and participate in up to five presentations, including roles as presenter, moderator, discussant, or poster presenter.

The following gives an overview of submission types and specific instructions:

Panels

Panels should include three to four presentations focused on a common theme. To ensure different perspectives on a topic, panels should contain presentations from different groups. The Program Committee discourages panels containing multiple presentations from the same research group. Panels will be 60–90 minutes with time for open discussion.

Each panel should have a moderator (normally the organizer of the panel or another relevant person) and a discussant.

Structured Discussions

Structured discussions provide an opportunity for group discussion among colleagues on a specific topic in psychotherapy research (e.g., specific methods, theories, new developments in research and practice, disorders, etc.). Sessions should be structured by having each presenter give a brief (5 minutes or less) position statement on the theme to elicit active participation from audience members. These sessions should be structured in a way that encourages discussion.

Brief Papers

Brief papers are 15 minute presentations. The brief paper sessions will be 60–90 minutes and will consist of several short presentations, with time for discussion at the end of the session. The Program Committee will designate moderators for the brief paper sessions from among the presenters.

Posters

Posters are appropriate for the full range of research reports, including completed projects, single case studies, pilot studies, and work-in-progress.

They provide a good opportunity for detailed discussion with interested colleagues. We will try to group the posters by topic to stimulate discussion and exchange of ideas. Poster dimensions should approximate 24" x 36" (61 cm x 91 cm). Please keep in mind that many attendees will appreciate receiving a handout summarizing your research findings. Posters will also be posted online in a virtual poster hall.

Pre-Conference Workshops

Workshops will be held prior to the evening session that opens the conference on Wednesday. Two types of pre-conference workshops are encouraged. The first is intended to provide training in specific areas of psychotherapy research, methods, or data analysis. The second type of workshop entails the clinical presentation of an assessment or treatment method that is followed by discussion on how best to empirically study or validate the clinical procedures described. Workshops are scheduled for three hours. The total number of pre-conference workshops offered will be limited.

Submission Policy & Guidelines

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Continuing Education (CE)

We will seek support from Div. 29 of the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education (CE) credits for workshops and for semi-plenaries and panels. This will require three additional pieces of information to the submission. The CVs for presenters will need to be submitted as well as learning objectives for the session (specific number depends on length of presentation). CVs of presenters need to show that they are at doctoral level with relevant background experience. Each presentation needs three references from peer-reviewed sources that show relevant empirical data supporting the presentation – and these must be from the last ten years.

We will request the necessary information for selected submission types, which do not include posters and brief paper sessions. CEUs are awarded for live attendance only (at this time).

Mailing List

If you have an idea for a panel or other collaboration or if you want to find colleagues with similar interests, please consider using the SPR mailing list (list@psychotherapyresearch.org) or ResearchGate

Social Media

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Conflicts

Please tell us if there are any days/times when you are not able to present (for example, for observation of religion). Presentations will begin 8:00 AM (IST), Thursday, June 21, and end 6:00 PM (IST), Saturday, June 24, 2023.

Questions

If you have any questions about the 54th International Annual Meeting 2023 in Dublin, please contact us by email at sprconference@psychotherapyresearch.org

We look forward to receiving your submissions and seeing you in Dublin, in June 2023!



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