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CONFERENCE INFORMATION

ISSA Conference 2008 Kyoto, Japan July 26-29, 2008

The ISSA 2008 conference “Sport and Society at the Crossroads” will be held in Kyoto, Japan, July 26-29, 2008. Kyoto is a beautiful city and our hosts have a wonderful academic and social programme planned. If you submitted an abstract, you will shortly receive confirmation of whether your paper has been accepted for presentation at the conference. The online registration system is now open, and may be found on the conference website at: http://www.jsss.jp/issa2008.html. Please note that the deadline for registration at the reduced rate closes at the end of May.

Deadlines – important dates

31st May 2008: Deadline for reduced registration fee
(please note: if you wish to benefit from the lower rate for ISSA members you need to complete and return the membership form. If you pay the higher fee for non-members of ISSA, this does NOT give you membership of the association or subscription to the IRSS).

26th July 2008: Arrival and registration
29th July 2008: Departure

Questions about registration can be addressed to the Congress coordinator by email at: overseas@jsss.jp. Please feel free to send any additional questions to Elizabeth Pike at: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

All authors who submitted an abstract for review should have received notification of the decision of the scientific committee by the end of April. If you are waiting to receive this information and need an immediate letter of confirmation for funding and travel purposes please write directly to: Steve Jackson: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz or Elizabeth Pike: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

Graduate Scholar Workshop

Following the popularity of this workshop at the ISSA annual conference in Copenhagen 2007, ISSA intends to schedule a Graduate Scholar Workshop during this year’s conference in Kyoto. We would welcome suggestions or requests for a theme for this workshop. Please send any proposals to the ISSA General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike, at: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.
Future ISSA Conferences

2008: Kyoto, Japan
2009: Utrecht, Netherlands
2010: Goteborg, Sweden

Any members interested in submitting an application to host a future ISSA conference should contact Chris Hallinan, Vice President (Conferences), at Christopher.Hallinan@vu.edu.au.

Other Conference Announcements


August 12-18th 2008. International Summer School for Young Researchers (course for PhD students). *Body Cultures and Health Discourses: Historical, Sociological, Psychological and Pedagogical Approaches*. University of Copenhagen. Enquiries: cchristensen@ifi.ku.dk.


ISSA MEMBERSHIP

We are delighted that so many people have decided to benefit from ISSA membership again this year. We would like to welcome back our returning members and offer a warm welcome to our new members. For those of you who have still to sign up for 2008, the Membership form for ISSA is available at http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/membership.html. Once you have completed and returned this form, you will then receive the 2008 issues of the IRSS, and be able to benefit from the lower registration fee for this year’s annual conference in Kyoto.

Please note that payment of the non-members registration fee for the conference does NOT give you membership of ISSA or subscription to the IRSS.

Members Interest List:

ISSA maintains a list of members’ interests to facilitate communication between our members, and to enable others interested in the sociology of sport to contact experts in the field. Please check the list at http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/membership.html (follow the link to ‘Membership Directory by Name’) and send corrections/updates to the ISSA General Secretary at e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

NEWS FROM OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

eass

In order to develop collaboration with our partner association, the European Association for Sociology of Sport (eass), we are pleased to inform our members that we will now be offering a link to the association’s newsletter on our website. The newsletter contains details of the association and its journal, the European Journal for Sport and Society (ejss). This may be found at: http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/links.php.

ICSSPE

ICSSPE will be co-hosting the International Convention on Science, Education and Medicine in Sport (Pre-Olympic Congress) in Guangzhou, China, from August 1st-5th 2008. ISSA will be represented at this conference by a special symposium on ‘Critical Issues in Contemporary Sport: Power, Politics and Social Change’ to be delivered by Steve Jackson (ISSA President), Elizabeth Pike (ISSA General Secretary), Chris Hallinan (ISSA Vice President) and Kim Schimmel (ISSA Vice President).
Message from the Editor of IRSS

All issues for 2007 are now complete and the journal is making good progress toward our target of being up-to-date by the end of 2008. We continue to have a good volume of submissions at various stages of development in the peer review and production system. Please keep your submissions flowing and if you have any thoughts on how we might improve your journal please do not hesitate to let me know. My contact details are: j.sugden@bton.ac.uk.

John Sugden
Editor IRSS

IRSS Book and Audio-Visual Reviews

Anyone wishing to submit a book for review, or wishing to review a book (or film) should contact our reviews editor, Camilla Obel, at: camilla.obel@canterbury.ac.nz. A list of books currently available for review is provided below. This list is regularly updated and you can check for the latest books available at http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/journal_review.


Chappel, R. (2007). *Sport in Developing Countries*. International Publications Dunston House, 21 Queensmead Ave, Ewell KT173EQ, chappellbob@yahoo.co.uk


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**YOUR NEWS AND VIEWS**

ISSA is happy to share information about conferences, seminars, awards, jobs etc. We will gladly include your news in our eBulletin and the ISSA website. ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions. Please send any feedback and information to the General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike at: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

We look forward to seeing many of you in Kyoto!