The Early Researchers Union (ERU) of the European Association of Developmental Psychology (EADP) is proud to introduce to young scholars (PhD candidates and post-doc researchers) a new learning and writing opportunity for EADP early career researcher members: The 2018 EADP-ERU Writing Week. The event will be held between 5-9th of November 2018 in Erice, a wonderful medieval village in Sicily (Italy), perched on a cliff 750 meters above sea level, nestled in the beauty of a breath-taking landscape.

The aim of the Writing Week (WW) is to improve early career researchers’ academic writing skills by offering the opportunity of writing together joint papers in a writing retreat. The WW will include keynote lectures (e.g., tips and tricks for improving writing competencies and how to best structure paragraphs) by senior scholars including Ersilia Menesini (University of Florence), Willem Koops (Utrecht University) and Loes Keijsers (Tilburg University), intensive collaborative writing on an actual paper under the supervision of the senior scholars, as well as social meetings and opportunities of creating international networking in a stimulating and positive environment.

Program overview

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| Nov. 6-8 | Writing papers and attending lectures
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| Nov. 9 | Writing papers and attending lectures
| Conclusion and leaving |

Participation

The WW is open to 18 young scholars, both PhD candidates and post-docs who defended their PhD in 2011 or later. Participants must be, or must be willing to become, EADP-ERU members.

Cost

Each participant will be asked to contribute with 50 euro. Accommodation costs will be offered thanks to the financial support of the EADP. Partial reimbursement for travel expenses (up to 100 euro) can be obtained upon a written request for researchers who will declare that travel costs can’t be covered by their own institution.

Application procedure

Prospective participants can submit their application choosing one of the two options below:

(1) Individual application for systematic review papers: Apply individually to participate to one of the two groups that will work on literature review articles (research areas: Children, adolescents and new media and Social Development).

(2) Group application for research papers: Apply as a group of 3-4 people, preferably coming from at least two different countries, for working on a research article based on own data and on a developmental psychology topic proposed by the group itself.

Please send your application to pasquale.musso@unical.it and f.lionetti@qmul.ac.uk before September 25th, 2018, specifying the option chosen and including

(1) For option 1: the research area of interest, an abstract of 250 words on current research work, a two-page curriculum vitae including education and major academic achievements, and a motivation letter of up to 200 words explaining how attending the writing week will help advancing career and work;

(2) For option 2: a one-page curriculum vitae for each team member including education and major academic achievements, a joint abstract of 500 words on the common research project on which the group would like to work on, and a joint motivation letter of up to 300 words explaining how attending the writing week will help advance the common research. Quality of the proposal, overall feasibility of the writing project, a unique and coherent data matrix already existing, and data analyses already carried out and/or a well-defined analytic plan will be preferential criteria.

The review board will select participants for whom the WW is likely to have the strongest impact on their future careers. Participants will be notified about their application by September 30th.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Erice!

EADP-ERU Board