

Notices and Announcements

42nd Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society Orlando, Florida November 15–18, 2001

The 42nd Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society will be held in Orlando, Florida, at the Coronado Resort. Registration will begin on Thursday evening, November 15. A poster session will be held on Thursday evening; spoken sessions will begin on the morning of Friday, November 16. Sessions will continue through noon on Sunday, November 18.

Programs and hotel reservation cards will be mailed to members and associates in the beginning of September. Additional programs will be available at the meeting registration desk for \$10.00.

For further information, please contact the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society: Roger L. Mellgren, Department of Psychology, Box 19528, University of Texas, Arlington, TX 76019-0528 (phone: 817-272-2775; fax: 817-272-2364; e-mail: mellgren@uta.edu).

Call for Papers Studying the Internet

The *Swiss Journal of Psychology* is pleased to announce a special issue on Studying the Internet: A Challenge for Modern Psychology. Guest editors will be Kai Sassenberg (University of Jena), Margarete Boos (University of Göttingen), Tom Postmes (University of Amsterdam) and Ulf-Dietrich Reips (University of Zürich).

Studying the Internet: A Challenge for Modern Psychology

During the year 2001, the number of Internet users is expected to exceed half a billion (<http://www.nua.ie>). This is only one of many statistics that demonstrate the pervasiveness of the Internet in everyday life. Its applications range from university teaching to e-commerce, from virtual organizations to online chatting and dating. Face to face interactions have been replaced and expanded by on-line interactions in several areas. The virtues of the new media have led to euphoric evaluations of its potentials, whereas the limitations have long been overlooked. Meanwhile, psychological research has addressed both positive and negative consequences of using the Internet as well as optimal conditions for a wide range of applications. At the same time psychologists have learned to use the Internet and especially the World-Wide Web as a research tool.

To provide a forum for these new developments in psychological research, the *Swiss Journal of Psychology* will publish a special issue in 2003, which will focus on new theoretical, empirical, and methodological approaches to applications of the Internet, including, but not limited to, studies that focus on Web-based experimentation, computer-mediated communication, hypertext navigation, interface design, and the impact of the Internet on "off-line life." Researchers who are investigating the psychological impact of the Internet in basic research as well as in educational, clinical, or business settings are cordially invited to submit their work. The special issue will emphasize empirical reports, but it may also include specialized theoretical and review papers.

Instructions to Authors

Papers should be no longer than 30 manuscript pages (including tables, figures, and references) and should be prepared in accordance with the editorial guidelines of *SJP* (see notes for contributors; <http://verlag.hanshuber.com/Zeitschriften/SJP/Psautor.html>). Papers should be submitted via e-mail to Kai Sassenberg (kai.sassenberg@uni-jena.de) no later than **January 31, 2002**. All papers will be peer reviewed, and the final editorial decisions will be made before September 30, 2002. For further inquiries, please contact Kai Sassenberg (kai.sassenberg@uni-jena.de).