

**Canadian National Committee for the  
International Union of Psychological Science**

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Members: Jennifer Veitch (Chair); John Berry (IUPsyS delegate); Marta Young (IUPsyS delegate); Members-at-large: Health science -- Michel Lariviere, David Nussbaum; Neuro/bio/behavioural science [NBB] – Valerie Thompson, Aimée Surprenant, Douglas Mewhort; social science -- Peter Hausdorf, Don Saklofske, Joseph Snyder; Michelle Gagnon (student member); Jean St-Aubin (*ex-officio* – Chair, Scientific Affairs Committee ); Pierre Ritchie (*ex-officio* – IUPsyS representative to WHO); Michel Sabourin (*ex-officio* – IUPsyS Treasurer); Janel Gauthier (*ex-officio* – Chair, CPA International Relations Committee).

**CPA-NRC Partnership**

Canada's IUPsyS dues payment is contingent on the result of an annual performance review (APR) by the National Research Council International Relations Office. This document evaluates the overall relevance of psychological science to Canada's national science and technology goals, the performance of Canadian psychological scientists towards the goals, and the performance of the CNC/IUPsyS in representing Canada and its psychological scientists in IUPsyS. The 2014 APR had not been formally reviewed, so for 2015 we submitted a brief update to accompany it and the two were reviewed together. The score is not known, but the outcome was success; Canada's IUPsyS dues were paid in April 2016. In addition, CPA Associate CEO Dr. Lisa Votta-Bleeker served as a reviewer for the APRs of other CNCs and provided input to NRC for a future revision of the APR system. We believe that her expertise in evaluation and science policy will contribute to the development a more effective and efficient system.

**Committee Structure and Membership**

In 2015 we recruited for one short-term appointment of a health scientist. At the time of writing, the final decision on the nomination is pending. In 2016-17 we will recruit 4 new members: three members-at-large (health, social and NBB), and a new Chair.

**Activities**

The committee made use of CPA News e-mails and social media to reach members with news, chiefly concerning the International Congress of Psychology in Yokohama in July 2016 (ICP2016).

**IUPsyS Business**

Canadians Gordon Asmundson, Arla Day, and Michael Masson served on the International Scientific Committee, and Pierre Ritchie served on the International Advisory Board, for ICP2016. Fourteen Canadians will deliver invited talks, and there will be 11 invited symposia moderated by Canadians. (Submitted presentations had not been announced as of the time of writing.)

John Berry served on an IUPsyS Task Force to develop Rules of Order for the General Assembly, which will be voted on at the July 2016 meeting. He also contributed to discussions concerning ways to ensure regional representation on the Executive Committee.

*Jennifer A. Veitch, Ph.D., Chair*