



Dr. Peter Suedfeld of Vancouver to receive CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology

Ottawa (June 1, 2015) – The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is pleased to announce that Dr. Peter Suedfeld has won this year’s CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology.

The award is presented to a CPA member or fellow who has made significant and enduring contributions to international cooperation and advancement of knowledge in psychology.

Dr. Peter Suedfeld’s research has covered several major areas including psychological resilience and positive psychology, political decision-making, space and polar psychology, and Restricted Environmental Stimulation Therapy. Indeed, in 2014, Dr. John Connors, Canadian University College, dubbed him “The most versatile psychologist in Canada.”

Dr. Suedfeld has worked with colleagues, students, and subjects/participants from all over the world. Over the years, his research group has included students from more than 10 different countries and his graduates have gone on to work across the globe upon the completion of their degrees. Some have even accepted offers with the United Nations. His research group has published papers and chapters in Spanish, Japanese, Hungarian, German, as well as English.

“There is no psychologist in Canada who has contributed more to our global understanding of cognition, affect, and behaviour of individuals and teams who work in extreme and unusual environments than Peter Suedfeld. He is most deserving of this award,” says Dr. Gary P. Latham, Secretary of State Professor of Organizational Effectiveness, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto.

Dr. Suedfeld will receive his award at CPA’s 76th Annual Convention, taking place at The Westin Ottawa in Ottawa, Ontario from June 4 through 6, 2015. The convention will be attended by researchers, practitioners, students, and policy makers from across the country and will feature more than 2,000 presentations on a wide array of psychological topics.

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About the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA)

The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is the national association for the science, practice and education of psychology in Canada. With over 7,000 members and affiliates, CPA is Canada's largest association for psychology. For more information, visit www.cpa.ca.

Media at the Convention

Media are highly encouraged to attend. Registered press will have complimentary access to the convention. Badges are required of all convention participants for entry into sessions and must be worn at all times. For more information or to register, please contact the CPA.

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