Dear members

Welcome to this Special Edition of the IAWBH Newsletter. Our purpose is to start the election process and update you on the 2010 conference in June. In Montreal the membership elected two people (Denise Salin and Guy Notelaars) to be the Election Committee. On request from the rest of the Board I joined Denise and Guy in assembling information for them, but after elections open, I will not be involved in the process. Denise and Guy are tasked with ensuring the process is clear, fair and transparent. Send your information to them direct. The website has already been updated with information for candidates, and do consider standing for a post, or being a proposer/seconder to someone who is to stand.

You need to be a member of the IAWBH to stand for election, to propose or second someone for election and (in May) to vote. So if you have not joined, this is the time!

The conference arrangements are progressing as you will read below. The pre-conference doctoral day has been an enormous success and we have closed registrations with 35 attendees who are from 14 countries including Japan, Brazil, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand, the USA and Canada.

Please do encourage other academics and practitioners to come to the conference – there is still space for them. You may use the press release from Michael Sheehan, which you can read below. If they cannot come to the conference, do ask them to join IAWBH as they can then join our community and take part in the elections.

Warm regards
Charlotte Rayner, President
FROM YOUR ELECTORAL COMMITTEE: DENISE SALIN AND GUY NOTELAARS
Elections 2010

On behalf of the election committee we would like to inform you that the preparations for the 2010 elections have now begun. A president, three board members and two election committee members will be elected this spring. We kindly invite you to consider if you would be interested in standing for any of these positions. This is an excellent chance to work for our Association and to support and influence the future of bullying research and practice. If you are interested in standing for a position please read the information available on the website (member area) and send the information requested to Guy Notelaers or Denise Salin (i.e. the members of the current election committee) no later than April 23rd. Elections will be held in May and results announced in June. We hope there will a high number of candidates!

Yours sincerely,
Guy Notelaers and Denise Salin

7th International conference on workplace bullying and harassment

Press release:

The conference returns to the UK after an eight year gap, to Wales for the first time. It brings together researchers, academics and practitioners at a world class three day event. The conference aims to share knowledge and understanding around the complex workplace issues of bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence.

Co-chair of the conference Professor Duncan Lewis of the Glamorgan Business School said “This should be an excellent opportunity to bring together world experts to discuss how we take forward the theory and practice of these important workplace issues. We are delighted to be hosting the 7th occasion of this International conference”.

Keynote speakers include renowned expert Professor Staale Einarsen from the University of Bergen in Norway, Professor David Yamada of the Suffolk Business School in Boston USA, and Professor Ralph Fevre lead expert on the UK Government’s 2nd Fair Treatment at Work Survey. Other speakers include Associate Professor Denise Salin from Finland, Dr Gary Namie from the USA and Rachael Maskell from Unite the Union.

Professor Michael Sheehan, Co-chair of the conference said “We are delighted that we have been able to attract many of the leading researchers and practitioners in the field, and to have an international flavour to the conference, with delegates and speakers from across the globe”.

Please visit the conference website at www.bullying2010.com. The conference is sponsored by the University of Glamorgan, Acas, Equality and Human Rights Commission, Public Service Management Wales, Institute of Leadership and Management, People Resolutions and Hogrefe Ltd.

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MICHAEL SHEEHAN AT GLAMORGAN UNIVERSITY, HOSTING THE IAWBH CONFERENCE