



**Newsletter  
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**SIG Motivation and Emotion**

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Dear SIG 8 members,

This newsletter includes information concerning the selection of new SIG 8 coordinators as well as a report on past SIG activities and some future issues.

The SIG 8 Motivation & Emotion: Member Meeting at Limassol included these topics:

- report on 2013-2015 SIG activities
- synthesis of the Policy council meeting at Limassol
- 2015 student research excellence award
- 2016 Life Time Achievement Awards
- old/new SIG coordination
- ICM 2016 in Thessaloniki see <http://www.icm2016.gr>

1) Report on 2013-2015 SIG activities

- Minutes of the SIG business meeting 2013 in Munich
- ICM 2014 "Understanding and Facilitating the Passion to Learn", June 12-14, University of Helsinki, Finland Chair: Kirsti Lonka. Over 200 participants from 24 countries, 3 Keynotes, 9 Symposia, 91 Papers, 67 Posters, 4 PechaKucha. Summer school: June 9 to 11
- Newsletters sent to the SIG members for updates, calls for nominations, and other relevant information
- Invited Symposium at EARLI conference 2015 (Limassol, Cyprus): "New theories for motivation and learning" (*Organization*: Thomas Martens, Hanke Korpershoek, Marina Lemos; *Discussant*: Jenefer Husman. *Presenters*: Jens Moller University of Kiel Germany; Maria Tulis University of Augsburg, Germany; Cornelis de Brabander Leiden University Netherlands; Thomas Martens). A corresponding issue of the Frontline Learning Research will be available soon.
- Activity for student members: Student Research Excellence Award to Lisette Hornstra 2013 (EARLI in Munich)

2) Synthesis of the Policy council meeting at Limassol

- Foundation and work of the Policy Council
- EARLI innovations: The future pattern of SIGs, Emerging Field Groups, Advanced Study Colloquia, EARLI Centers for Innovative Research
- Introduction of a Policy Council
- Purposes of the Policy Council: (New) Legal requirement to monitor the EC; Means to increase participation of SIGs in EARLI; Means to increase interaction within EARLI
- Tasks of the Policy Council: Appoint and dismiss EC members after election process; Approve the budget of EARLI; Approve the audited financial statement; Discuss the EARLI strategy and plan how to implement it

3) 2015 student research excellence award was given to Maximilian Knogler, Technische Universität München, TUM School of Education: “The psychological state of interest: situational or individual interest?”

4) 2016 Life Time Achievement Awards will be announced at the SIG ICM Conference 2016

5) As Thomas Martens and Elina Ketonen stepped down, Hanke Korpershoek ([h.korpershoek@rug.nl](mailto:h.korpershoek@rug.nl)) was elected as new SIG 8 coordinator, and Kerstin Helker ([kerstin.helker@rwth-aachen.de](mailto:kerstin.helker@rwth-aachen.de)) as SIG 8 JURE Coordinator at the EARLI 2015 conference in Limassol. We welcome them and wish them great success and enjoyment in these new roles.

Find below a short introduction from Hanke and Kerstin to the SIG members

At the EARLI 2015 conference Thomas stepped down as SIG coordinator. I am honoured to take over this task and I will do my best to keep our SIG vivid and of high level quality, together with Marina and Kerstin. For those who do not know me, I currently work as an assistant professor at the University of Groningen in the Netherlands. My research interests include: determinants of student functioning in school (e.g. motivation, commitment, sense of school belonging, engagement, well-being), differential effects (e.g. gender differences, cross-cultural differences) and choice behaviour of students (e.g. regarding STEM careers). Other projects focus on classroom management and the transition from primary to secondary education (for more information: [www.hankekorpershoek.nl](http://www.hankekorpershoek.nl)). My interest in motivation research was strongly progressed by my 2-month visit to Prof. dr. Dennis McInerney at the Hong Kong Institute of Education in 2013, where I studied cross-cultural gender differences in motivation. Up till now, I have attended four Earli biannual meetings and two SIG 8 meetings, appreciating every part of it. I very much enjoyed the previous ICM in which we introduced a new conference format (the Pecha Kucha) and we held a very interactive panel meeting. For now, please feel free to contact me if you have any suggestions for our SIG and I hope to see you all at the ICM 2016 meeting in Thessaloniki!

Sincerely, Hanke Korpershoek

Dear SIG members,

I am excited to take over Elina Ketonen's task as JURE Assistant Coordinator and to get the opportunity to contribute to our special interest group.

At the moment, I am a lecturer and PhD candidate at the Institute for Education at RWTH Aachen University, Germany. My dissertation focuses on the interplay of students', parents' and teachers' judgements of responsibility in the school context and how these are related to student motivation and school outcomes. I am also involved in further projects focusing on emotions of mentors, university teachers' motivation and collaborative learning settings. Please refer to my website for more information ([http://www.ezw.rwth-aachen.de/cms/EZW/Das\\_Institut/Lehrstuehle/Schulpaedagogik\\_und\\_empirische\\_Bildungsf/Team/~ekgg/Kerstin\\_Helker/?lidx=1](http://www.ezw.rwth-aachen.de/cms/EZW/Das_Institut/Lehrstuehle/Schulpaedagogik_und_empirische_Bildungsf/Team/~ekgg/Kerstin_Helker/?lidx=1)).

I have attended all EARLI meetings and ICMs since 2010 and very much enjoyed being part of the International Organising Committee of the JURE 2015 conference at which I was responsible for the review process and the workshops.

It will be an honour for me to represent the junior researchers of the Motivation and Emotion SIG and would like to encourage everyone to contact me with their ideas or suggestions.

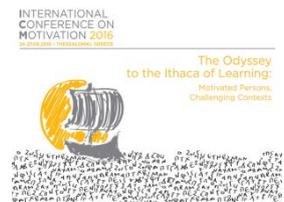
Kind regards,  
Kerstin Helker

At the SIG Coordinators meeting the outgoing SIG coordinators and SIG Jure assistant coordinators were also acknowledged and EARLI expressed gratitude for their work.

6) ICM 2016 in Thessaloniki <http://www.icm2016.gr>

15th International Conference on Motivation (ICM), Thessaloniki, Greece, 24-27, 2016 and Summer School August 21 – 23, 2016 @ Epanomi - Thessaloniki, Greece

The Conference is jointly organized by the EARLI SIG 8: Motivation and Emotion and the School of Psychology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.  
Conference Chair: Sofia-Eleftheria Gonida ([gonida@psy.auth.gr](mailto:gonida@psy.auth.gr))



The concept

*The odyssey to the Ithaca of learning: Motivated persons, challenging contexts'* as the theme of the ICM 2016 wishes to point out the dynamic interaction between the person and the context in explaining the psychological processes or, in other words, 'the journey' towards goal attainment and learning.

Odyssey as the person's journey to learning, Ithaca as the goal of the journey, the triiris in the sea of letters and the bright sun hopefully reflect the dynamic interaction between motivated persons and challenging contexts towards the goal of learning.

7) A new website for the SIG will be prepared (webmaster: Thomas Martens) and will be launched soon. We will also publish some photos from the SIG 8 activities at Limassol. Please mail pictures you like to share on the website to [thomas.martens@medicalschooll-hamburg.de](mailto:thomas.martens@medicalschooll-hamburg.de).

Kind regards,

SIG 8 coordinators

Thomas Martens & Marina Lemos