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# *The APA Office of International Affairs*

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## *Who We Are*

The APA Office of International Affairs is part of the Executive Office of APA's Central Headquarters.

## *What We Do*

APA's Office of International Affairs works with APA members and governance to develop and manage policy, programs, and activities to facilitate knowledge and exchange between U.S. and international psychologists. The office coordinates APA's participation and representation in international venues and serves as an information conduit about psychology around the world. The office promotes an active presence at international meetings through conference registration awards, facilitates exchange with national associations in other countries, and interacts with international psychology organizations and global bodies such as the United Nations (through volunteer APA representation), WHO, and PAHO. In addition to its bi-monthly newsletter, *Psychology International*, the office publishes directories of national and international psychology organizations, brochures on applications of psychology to global issues, an annual compendium of international convention sessions and presenters, and best practices for international collaboration and exchange.

## **The Committee for International Relations in Psychology (CIRP)**

The Office of International Affairs provides staff support to the Committee for International Relations in Psychology (CIRP). Founded in 1944, CIRP is one of the Association's oldest continuing committees. CIRP's initial mission of advising on the rehabilitation of European psychology laboratories and libraries that had been destroyed during World War II has grown to include broad purview over international program and policy initiatives. The Committee's activities foster the development of international psychology, the application of psychology to international human rights, and the development of APA policy addressing international opportunities and challenges. CIRP oversees APA's special non-governmental consultative status with the United Nations and manages APA's international awards.



*CIRP members, Office of International Affairs Staff, and APA's International Liaisons gather during the 2011 Fall Consolidated Meeting*

## **Print and Electronic Publications:**

- *Psychology International*
- Directories of national and international psychology associations and organizations
- International meetings calendar
- FAQs about international psychology
- United Nations research briefs
- "How To" brochures on international exchange
- ROMEO—Roster of Members with Expertise Outside the U.S.

## **Grants and Awards:**

- International Scientific Meeting Support Fund
- Small Grants for Program Development of National Psychology Associations
- International Conference Registration Grant
- APA Convention Registration Grant for International Attendees
- APA Convention Travel Supplement for International Psychologists and Psychology Students
- APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Psychology
- APA International Humanitarian Award

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