

# PSYCHOLOGY DAY: DEFINITIONS AND TERMS

## Organizations:

AIWA: Armenian International Women's Association [www.aiwa-net.org](http://www.aiwa-net.org)  
APA: American Psychological Association [www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org)  
AWP: Association for Women in Psychology [www.awpsych.org](http://www.awpsych.org)  
IAAP: International Association of Applied Psychology [www.iaapsy.org](http://www.iaapsy.org)  
IAQ: International Orthopsychiatric Association [www.amerortho.org](http://www.amerortho.org)  
ICP: International Council of Psychologists [www.icpweb.org](http://www.icpweb.org)  
IFTA: International Family Therapy Association [www.ifta-familytherapy.org](http://www.ifta-familytherapy.org)  
IOA: International Ontopsychology Association [www.ontopsicologia.org](http://www.ontopsicologia.org)  
IPA: International Psychoanalytic Association [www.ipa.org.uk](http://www.ipa.org.uk)  
ISPA: International School Psychology Association [www.ispaweb.org](http://www.ispaweb.org)  
ISTSS: Int'l Society for Traumatic Stress Studies [www.istss.org](http://www.istss.org)  
IUPsyS: International Union of Psychological Sciences [www.am.org/iupsys](http://www.am.org/iupsys)  
SPSSI: Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues [www.spssi.org](http://www.spssi.org)  
WFMH: World Federation for Mental Health [www.wfmh.org](http://www.wfmh.org)

## Definitions from [www.un.org/dpi/ngosection/brochure.htm](http://www.un.org/dpi/ngosection/brochure.htm):

**DPI:** Department of Public Information, United Nations

**NGO:** Non-Governmental Organizations

A non-governmental organization (NGO) is a not-for-profit, voluntary citizens' group, which is organized on a local, national or international level to address issues in support of the public good. About 1,500 NGOs with strong information programmes on issues of concern to the UN are associated with the Department of Public Information (DPI). Many NGOs (about 2700) active in the field of economic and social development have qualified for consultative status with the **Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)**.

**CONGO**, the Conference on Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Status with ECOSOC, serves as a representative voice of NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC.

## Other Useful Terms, Information, Links:

**CEDAW:** Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/cedaw.htm>

**Convention:** International agreement, typically dealing with a specific subject

**Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities** [www.un.org/disabilities](http://www.un.org/disabilities)

**CSW:** Commission on the Status of Women <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/>

**IASC:** Inter-Agency Standing Committee

Guidelines on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Emergency Settings  
[www.humanitarianinfo.org/iascc/content/products/default.asp](http://www.humanitarianinfo.org/iascc/content/products/default.asp)

**IDOP:** International Day of Older Persons [www.un.org/Depts/dhl/olderpersons/](http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/olderpersons/)

**MDGs:** Millennium Development Goals [www.un.org/millenniumgoals/](http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/)

**UNFPA:** United Nations Population Fund [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org)

**UNHCR:** UN High Commissioner for Refugees [www.unhcr.org](http://www.unhcr.org)

**UNICEF:** United Nations Children's Fund [www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org) United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child [www.unicef.org/crc](http://www.unicef.org/crc)

**UNIFEM:** United Nations Development Fund for Women

**World Mental Health Day:** <http://www.wfmh.org/00WorldMentalHealthDay.htm>

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