



Newsletter for the International Congress of Psychology 2016 (ICP2016) Yokohama, Japan

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Congress Theme:

Diversity in Harmony: Insights from Psychology

In today's world, diversity in our world can be seen as both problematic and beneficial. Diversity is related to ethnicity and culture, as well as physical attributes and health. There is also diversity among the various domains of the field of psychology. The term 'harmony' is derived from Greek words meaning "joint, agreement, concord" and "to fit together, to join," and is most often used in music to indicate different tones that make a pleasing or striking sound when played together. This concept of "living together," i.e., of many diverse constituent parts coexisting in accord, forms the basis of ICP2016.

ICP2016 will be held from 24 to 29 July 2016. The organizing committee eagerly hopes that you will come to [Yokohama](#) in 2016 to present new ideas and research findings; have face-to-face discussions with fellow psychologists from all over the world; and make ICP2016 a resounding success!

Last chance to submit an abstract for ICP2016

We have launched a new presentation category "Rapid Communication" and we invite you to share your latest research. The deadline for abstract submission for this session is 20 March 2016. Please see [Call for Abstracts](#) for further details.

Important Notice:

Submission Deadline for Rapid Communication Fast Approaching!

To register a Rapid Communication presentation, please log in to your ICP2016 account (or create an account) and submit your abstract (up to 150 words) selecting the "Poster" button. The deadline for Rapid Communication abstract submission is 20 March 2016 (no later than 24:00 Japan Standard Time).

Payment Deadline of Registration Fee for All Presenters

You can pay your registration fee after receiving notification of abstract acceptance. However, in order for your presentation to be included in the program, you are required to pay the fee by 1 April 2016.

For more information, please see <http://www.icp2016.jp/idades.html>

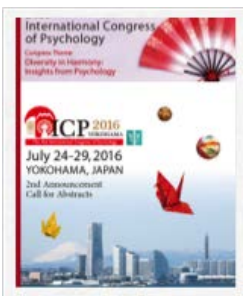
Scientific Program is Currently under Development

After sending feedback on all abstracts by the end of March, 2016, we will finalize the scientific program considering the total number of abstracts accepted and the capacity of venue. The finalized scientific program will be published on the ICP2016 website (www.icp2016.jp) around June 2016 for your convenience.

Guidelines for exhibitors and advertising now available

For application guidelines for organizations interested in exhibiting during the congress (e.g. books, equipment, universities, academic associations) and for placing advertisements in the program, please see http://www.icp2016.jp/pdf/ICP2016_Exhibition_Advertisement.pdf

[Second Announcement](#)



To view the Second Announcement of ICP2016, please click the thumbnail image. This document includes the following details: Important days, Preliminary Scientific Program, Congress Information, etc.



ICP2016 Opening Lecture (July 24, 2016):
Adaptation to Teleoperate Robots

The official Facebook and Twitter accounts of the events are now online.

[Congress Venue](#)



Pacifico Yokohama is one of Japan's most distinguished convention centers. It is located on the waterfront of Yokohama Bay, directly facing the water with a striking harbor view. The Pacifico consists of the National Convention Hall, the Conference Center, the Exhibition Hall, and hotels. All buildings are designed in marine and nature motifs, such as the shapes of waves and wind. Visitors can relax as fresh breezes blow in off the ocean.

[Yokohama City](#)



The conference will be held in Yokohama, the harbor city first introduced to the world as the gateway to Japan. Yokohama is located in the heart of Japan, very near Tokyo. Information on Yokohama is available from [the website of the Yokohama Convention & Visitors Bureau](#).

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Professor Hiroshi Ishiguro is the director of the Intelligent Robotics Laboratory in the Graduate School of Engineering Science at Osaka University, Japan. He is working on the robotics of androids, a humanoid robot with a lifelike appearance and visible facial movements. He concentrated on making a robot to be as similar as possible to a live human being, and in July 2005 unveiled a female-looking android named Repliee Q1Expo. He then made an android that resembles himself, called Geminoid HI-1. His research engages in the development of symbiotic human-robot interaction, and his goal is to develop autonomous robots that can communicate with multiple humans via various communicative means.

You can see other photos of robots from Professor Ishiguro's laboratory at the following websites.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/eratoishiguro/tags/erica/>

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/eratoishiguro/tags/commu/>

(c) ERATO ISHIGURO Symbiotic Human-Robot Interaction Project

You can also see videos of Geminoid HI-4 at the following website.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rpVtVWRzH4>

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An upcoming newsletter will introduce more information about the congress, including details of social events, cultural programs, etc.

We look forward to welcoming you to [Yokohama](#), Japan.

Sincerely,

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<http://www.icp2016.jp/>

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