



## COMENIUS EARLY CAREER PSYCHOLOGIST AWARD

### 1. Introduction and history

The **Comenius Early Career Psychologist Award** was given to EFPA by the Union of Psychologists' Associations of the Czech Republic (UPA), to be awarded to a young psychologist from Europe who has made an original contribution to psychology as a science and profession. The prize was awarded for the first time on ECP 2007 in Prague to Professor David De Cremer from Belgium, currently at Tilburg University (Netherlands). At the ECP 2009 in Oslo the award was given to dr. Katie Elizabeth Slocombe from the University of York (UK) at the ECP 2011 in Istanbul it was given to both dr. Emily Holmes from the University of Oxford (UK) and dr. Koen Luyckx from the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium) and the last one at ECP 2013 in Stockholm was awarded to dr. Wilhelm Hofmann from Germany, at that moment working at the University of Chicago.



### 2. Criteria

The Comenius Early Career Psychologist Award will be given to a young European psychologist whose contribution is documented by:

- List of publications in scholarly journals, monograph(s), and chapters in books, and quotation index of the nominee.
- List of presentations at national and international conferences.
- Originality/novelty of her/his contribution to the psychology as a science and/or a profession.
- And who is within six years of the completion of his/her PhD or equivalent professional standing (Max. age is 35 years)

Jan Amos Komensky – Comenius (1592-1670). Comenius was one of the first Europeans who contributed substantially to the knowledge of psychological aspects of learning and personality.

### 3. Selection Committee and Procedures

EFPA has set up a **7-person Comenius Early Career Psychologist Award Committee** which includes:

- EFPA President
- EFPA EC Member
- EFPA Secretary General
- EFPA Board of Scientific Affairs member
- UPA – delegate
- EFPSA – delegate
- CASP (Czech Association of Students of Psychology) – delegate

Application procedure: (please send each document as a separate file)

- a letter of nomination, sent in by EFPA's (associate, affiliate) member associations, signed by two nominators
- a statement as to how the nominee meets the criteria (see point 2)
- a list of publications and presentations at national and international conference
- a current curriculum vitae with picture with contact details (email address).

Selection procedure:

- call for nomination
- nominations to be sent to [headoffice@efpa.eu](mailto:headoffice@efpa.eu)
- one nomination is to be sent by every member association or sectorial/associate member association of EFPA.
- nominations will be selected according to stated criteria by the selection committee and be accompanied by a CV
- Recommendation to the Executive Council (EC) will be made by a vote of the Selection committee and confirmed by the EC.
- Deadline for nomination: **October 31, 2014**

Timeline:

- October 31, 2014: deadlines for sending in nominations of MA
- Jan 2015 : nominations to be screened by Selection Committee
- Jan 2015 : Selection Committee sends decision to the EC following procedures
- Jan 31, 2015 : EC approving the recommendations
- Feb 15, 2015 : Winner to be notified by EFPA
- Feb 2015 : Comenius Award to be casted by UPA
- July 2015 : Award presented at the ECP

The Comenius Early Career Psychologist Award Lecture will be delivered during the European Congress of Psychology:

- The Comenius Early Career Psychologist Award is awarded during the Opening Ceremony of the European Congress of Psychology **by the President of EFPA and a representative of the Union of Psychologists' Associations of the Czech Republic (UPA).**
- Arrangements for the award of the Prize and for the Lecture or Symposium will be made by the organizers of each European Congress of Psychology.

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