

## Minutes of Business Meeting of IASSIDD Challenging Behaviour and Mental Health SIRG

Date: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014  
Time: 13.30 to 15.00 hours  
Venue: FCR, University of Vienna

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### Attendance:

Jane McCarthy (Chair), Samuel Elstner, Henry Kwok, Angela Hassiotis, Ian Hall, Luigi Croce, John Rose, Susan Hayes, George Woods, Franzeska Grese, Marco Bertelli, Michael, Siedel, K. Markus, Jennifer Clegg, Philip Dodd (Minutes).

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### 1) Apologies:

- Stephen Greenspan and Jennifer Clegg (for part of meeting).
- The meeting acknowledged the recent death of Professor Greg O'Brien.

### 2) Minutes & actions of previous SIRG meeting in August 2013:

- Minutes were accepted as an accurate record with all actions followed up.

### 3) IASSIDD World Congress, Melbourne 2016:

- a) Stream leaders: Stephen Greenspan & George Woods offered to take on this task.
- b) Symposium themes & Keynote speakers: Suggestions included Ageing among Offenders, Interventions, Victims of Crime, Human Rights, Alternatives to inpatient care, Classification systems.

- c) Joint SIRG Events: Jennifer Clegg to discuss with Ethics SIRG on theme of 'Conflicts of Rights' & Jane McCarthy to discuss a joint symposium with Profound Intellectual & Multiple Disabilities SIRG.
- d) Pre Congress workshops: JMcC to circulate details to members on requirements for workshops.
- e) Other items: None discussed.

#### 4) Regional Congress in Hawaii in May 2015:

- To circulate details to SIRG Members from the IASSIDD Administration.

#### 5) SIRG Workshops and Academy Events:

Proposal for Special Educational Event in Nigeria in November 2014.

- This event is being supported by the Academy and Dr. Colleen Adnams, member of council will be in attendance. The speaker from this SIRG to be invited. Dr. Jane McCarthy agreed to follow up

#### 6) SIRG Publications:

- a) A general discussion took place on the importance of publications in raising the profile of the SIRG. Already a Special Edition has been proposed, led by Dr. Jennifer Clegg and Dr. Jane McCarthy. Dr. Hassiotis suggested developing a paper in the context of a 'state of science'. She suggested that this could be submitted to JPPID.
- b) Dr. Bertelli suggested developing a joint paper with the World Psychiatric Association and the Royal College of Psychiatrists, looking at the problems of classification of problem behaviours. Dr. Bertelli offered to initiate this position paper.

Actions: Professor Angela Hassiotis and Dr Jennifer Clegg to advance special editions.

Dr. Bertelli offered to initiate the position paper on classification of behavioural problems

#### 7) SIRG Newsletter:

- Dr. Woods invited submissions from members of the SIRG reflecting any learning at the European Congress in Vienna of 2014. There was also a discussion regarding the broadening of the role of the newsletter by publishing discussion papers. One suggested discussion topic was broadening the understanding of challenging behaviour. Dr. Woods agreed to circulate a paper that he had recently published in current opinion in psychiatry covering this area.

Action: Dr. Woods to action above.

#### 8) Budget Up-date:

- Overall the budget is in a positive position. Guidance is being sought from IASSIDD Council on how surplus monies are spent.

#### 9) Any other business:

- Proposal for Field Studies of ICD-11 for DID in Sri Lanka. The Central Council of IASSIDD is required to endorse this.
- European Psychiatric Association now has a new Mental Health of Intellectual Disability Facility and an Educational event in Berlin is being organised for October 2014.
- Co-ordination of research events with other international groups. The need to co-ordinate the activities of the European Association of Mental Health & Intellectual Disability(EAMHID) and IASSIDD Challenging

Behaviour & Mental Health SIRG was raised, so that any potential clashing of events is to be avoided. The importance of co-ordinating activities to maximise the penetrance of the content of these research groups to clinicians and other professionals, such as Law professionals was raised.

- Dr. Hassiotis discussed clinical trials and the need to develop co-ordinated applications under Horizon 2020 research funding. All at the meeting were supportive of a joint application under this funding stream.
- Dr. Clegg entered the meeting at this point. She is the representative of this SIRG on the Planning Meeting for Melbourne 2016. She gave feedback on the planning of this conference, including the development of brief 3-minute research presentations, the developments of round tables and also the development of streams of research presentations, which have the primary aim of encouraging SIRGs to integrate their research presentations. There was a suggestion of a joint stream with the Ethics SIRG, looking at rights and conflicts of rights of both parents, staff and service users.

**Actions:**

Executive Committee of Challenging Behaviour & Mental Health SIRG to work proactively with EAMHID.

Professor Hassiotis to circulate further information on Horizon 2020 to SIRG members.

Dr Jennifer Clegg to take a forward joint events with Ethics SIRG.

**Next SIRG Meeting:**

The next SIRG Meeting will be in September 2015 in Florence, as part of the 10<sup>th</sup> European Congress in Mental Health & Intellectual Disability (9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015).