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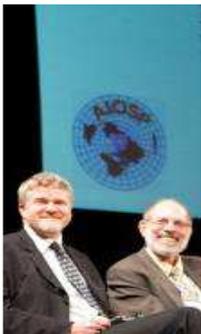
2009 was especially dynamic for IAVEG, with international conferences in Finland and New Zealand, many other events and growing networks for our association. The executive committee and board members would like to thank current president Bryan Hiebert for all his work during this period, and assure him that his efforts to enhance educational and vocational guidance around the world will be followed. We wish you a Happy New Year and that your personal and professional Projects are fulfilled in 2010.

Beatriz Malik and Suzanne Bultheel General Editors

IAEVG presidency to change hands

The International Association of Educational and Vocational Guidance will have a new president in 2010. the presidency in the New Year.

Prof Bryan Hiebert has confirmed he will be standing down as IAEVG president and will be handing over the role to New Zealander Lester Oakes, a current IAEVG vice-president, who obtained the most votes in the past elections, after Prof. Hiebert.



Bryan announced the handover to Lester at the opening ceremony of the IAEVG International Careers Conference, held in Wellington, New Zealand, attributing the decision to ill health.

The announcement was made to an audience of 800 career professionals who responded with a standing ovation.

New Zealand's deputy prime minister, Hon. Bill English, who officially opened the conference, acknowledged the great honour it was to have a New Zealander take on such a prestigious global role.

Over the next couple of months Bryan and Lester will work together through a period of transition, which will see Lester take up

Bryan said he had no doubt Lester was the right person to step into the role.



"I have complete confidence in Lester's capability to step into the role because of the high

regard he has among the international careers community. His succession to the presidency will be received with enormous support from across the sector."

He said it was an immense privilege to assume the presidency.



"I am proud of what we have achieved in New Zealand towards raising the profile of professional

career development services in this country and providing world-class initiatives to New Zealanders. I am looking forward to taking that experience into this new position.

Sharon Blowers, Career Services, NZ

IAEVG International Careers Conference in Wellington

More than 800 people converged on New Zealand last month (November) for the 2009 IAEVG International Careers Conference, making it the largest careers event ever held in Australasia.



Under the banner 'Transforming Careers – Unleashing Potential,' the conference brought together delegates from 30 countries for three days of knowledge-sharing and insight about creative career development in an increasingly technological world.



Conference delegates were welcomed to the international event with a formal ceremony known as a powhiri, which is a traditional form of welcome for Maori, the indigenous people of New Zealand.



The conference itself was opened by New Zealand deputy Prime Minister Bill English, with a strong statement about the standing and status of the event.

IAEVG vice-president Lester Oakes, who's also chief executive of Career Services, hosts of this year's conference, said he couldn't have been happier with the way the three-day forum came together.

"I'm feeling ecstatic and exhausted, all at the same time. People had a really top quality event and the feedback from delegates I've talked to has been amazing. This has been the culmination of a lot of behind-the-scenes planning and attention to detail. I really need to thank my staff for their outstanding efforts to bring this event together."

Lester's role within the IAEVG is to increase in the New Year when he assumes the role of president (please see separate story, page 1: IAVEG presidency to change hands).

Lester said a collection of "four incredibly powerful and varied keynote speakers," and a broad selection of presentations and workshops contributed to the conference's success.

Speakers at the conference came from New Zealand, Australia, England, USA, Canada, Denmark, Finland, India, South Africa and Venezuela. The four keynote speeches were delivered by Australian Professor Jim Bright; Co-Executive Directors of the Canadian Career Development Foundation Lynne Bezanson and Sareena Hopkins; along with local representatives, the Pro Vice Chancellor Maori from the University of Waikato, Professor Linda Smith, and Business and Economic Research Limited chief economist Dr Ganesh Nana.



Conference presentations are available on www.careers.govt.nz/educators.

The conference concluded with delegates being sent on their way with an emotional proporoaki, a traditional Maori farewell.

Sharon Blowers, Career Services, NZ



The Board of Directors meeting was held after the conference on Sunday 22 November in Wellington

IAEVG International Conference in Finland

The IAEVG 2009 International Conference "Coherence, Co-operation and Quality in Guidance and Counselling" took place 3-5 June 2009 in Jyväskylä, Finland. The conference was organized by the University of Jyväskylä in co-operation with the Finnish Ministry of Education and, the Finnish Ministry of Employment and the Economy. The conference hosted over 300 delegates. The organisers want to thank all of those who contributed to the success of the conference.

During the conference the IAEVG Executive Committee prepared a press release "Light and Dark Times – The Value of Career Guidance in an Economic Crisis" which was distributed to all delegates as well as the local media. The press release deals with the role of careers guidance in times of economic turbulence. The EC suggests

that this is the sort of thing that could be used by IAEVG members in their home locations, to inform their bosses of part of the role of careers guidance, or with local, state, or national government personnel. The abstracts and presentations during the workshops are uploaded on the conference website <http://ktl.jyu.fi/ktl/iaevg2009fin/>

The videos of the key note speeches by Prof. James P. Sampson, Jr., Prof Risto Eräsaari and Prof. Nancy Arthur as well as the other plenary addresses are available for the IAEVG members. For more information about the conference please contact: sakari.saukkonen@jyu.fi or raimo.vuorinen@jyu.fi.

Raimo Vuorinen

First International Seminar on Guidance: "Emerging adults, transitions and guidance" Barcelona, 11-12 November, 2009

This seminar was hosted by the University of Barcelona (UB), with the participation of 150 professors, guidance practitioners and students. The keynote addresses were delivered by Jean Guichard (Institut National d'Études du Travail et d'Orientation Professionnelle INETOP, Paris, France) and professor Maria do Céu Taveira (Institute of Education and Psychology, Universidade do Minho, Braga, Portugal). Their contributions elicited interesting reflections on two central themes: construction of identities and anticipations of self in adolescents and "emerging adults", and guidance strategies related to career management of university students.



After the keynote addresses, two symposia were held with the participation of academics from different Spanish universities, who debated on the situation of Guidance

programmes and research projects going on in Spain, and on the need to have a Law on



Guidance to regulate life-long guidance provision at all levels (at present, only guidance in schools is regulated by the General Law of Education - LOE, 2006, but there are no government regulations regarding guidance in higher education, nor outside the educational system, where it depends on the Employment services).

The recently appointed Deputy Director of the Subdirectorate for Students, Guidance and Labour



Insertion (General Secretariat of Universities), Ms. **Àngels Alegre**, was present at one of the symposia and gave a general overview on the role of this new department, charged with guidance provision at university level, within the Ministry of Education.

Future Conferences

The IAEVG-Jiva International Conference: 8-10 October 2010, Bangalore, India.



The Promise Foundation, in association with the IAEVG will host the IAEVG-Jiva International Conference in **Bangalore, India on October 8th, 9th and 10th 2010**. For further information, you can visit the Web site: www.jivacareer.org

NCDA-IAEVG Career Development Symposium, June 2010

On June 28 - 29, 2010, there will be a collaborative symposium in San Francisco organized by the National Career Development Association (NCDA-US), the International Association for Educational and Vocational Guidance (IAEVG), and the Society for Vocational Psychology (SVP). The symposium is titled: Bridging International Perspectives of Career Development. This event will be a pre-conference activity prior to the 2010 NCDA Conference. The symposium will focus on educational and vocational guidance and career development in an international perspective. More details can be found at http://associationdatabase.com/aws/NCDA/pt/sd/news_article/22486/self/layout_details/false

The deadline for submitting proposals has been extended to January 29, 2010.



The Real Game Series Goes Digital!

15 New Zealand students and over 200 career practitioners from New Zealand joined IAEVG members from around the world in the international launch of [The Real Game 2.1 Digital Edition](#) for 11-14 year olds in Wellington on Wednesday, November 18th. This program is also available in French as *Jouer . pour de vrai!* New digital editions exist for Canada, the United States, California and the United Kingdom. Australia will launch its own digital edition in early 2010. At a follow-up presentation on Saturday, November 21st at the IAEVG-sponsored International Careers Conference [The Be Real Game 2.1 Digital Edition](#) for 15-25 year olds, now in pilot across Canada, was previewed.



Final Canadian and U.S. editions will be launched in January 2010. For more information contact [National Life/Work Centre](#) +1-888-533-5683 info@lifework.ca

National Associations

BRASILIAN ASSOCIATION OF CAREER GUIDANCE (BACG) ASOCIACIÓN BRASILEÑA DE ORIENTACIÓN PROFESIONAL (ABOP) NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2009-2011

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Marcelo A. Ribeiro (marcelopsi@uol.com.br) has been elected President of ABOP (Asociación Brasileña para la Orientación Profesional - *Brasílian Association for Career Guidance*). We are also happy to see that the new generations are assuming responsibility

roles in our professional arena. Our most sincere congratulations to the new Board of Directors.

The working group "ABOP in Public Policies" wants to give priority to social spaces where guidance is an important tool to reflect on the career and job options. Five areas can be highlighted in today's



society: Public policies, education, work, health and social action.

Julio González, IAEVG Vice-President

From left to right: Flávia Maria Marques (First Secretary), Silvio Duarte Bock (Vicepresident), Fabiano Fonseca da Silva (First Treasurer), Maria da Conceição Coropos Uvaldo (Second Treasurer), & Marcelo Afonso Ribeiro (President).

French Association of Educational Guidance - ACOPF- : Election of the Executive committee

Significant changes have occurred at the ACOPF executive committee this autumn due to the elections.



We want to thank Danielle Pourtier, former President and

Helen Facy, former Secretary General for their investment and their availability for many years. Congratulations to the newly elected executive committee members who said they wanted to put all their energy to continue to develop the association and a high quality of educational guidance for all users.

Candidates elected:

- President : Odile Mallick
- Vice-presidents : Dominique Hocquart, Helene Gervais, Suzanne Bulthee
- General Secretary: Sylvie Amici
- Deputy Secretaries General: Rodrigue Ozenne, Aline Robin

- Treasurers: Daniel Pandolfi, Thierry Boy

The executive committee has established two main areas of activity:

- 1) Reflections and proposals on the missions, recruitment and training of counselor psychologists.
- 2) Improving communication:
 - with guidance practitioners
 - with users
 - with partners
 - with policy makers

New president, Odile Mallick, praised the work and the involvement within the association of Danielle Pourtier and Helen Facy who have become honorary members.

“e in Guidance or Guidance in e”?

Repot from the 6th European Conference on the Use of ICT in Guidance, Riga 16. – 17. September 2009:

„e“ in Guidance or Guidance in „e“ ? This was the opening question of PD Raimo Vuorinen, ELGPN-Coordinator and Board member of IAEVG at the 6th European Conference on ICT in Guidance in Riga which was jointly organized by EGOS and ELGPN, funded by the EU Commission and generously and charmingly hosted by the Latvian Ministry of Education. About 60 participants from European countries discussed and experienced new approaches to eGuidance activities. The variety of projects presented covered the whole range of possible approaches from traditional career guidance

websites and info-portals to possible ways of integrating Guidance into “second life” and other social networks.

Major points of discussion were:

- The integration of eGuidance with face-to-face practice
- The resistance of many guidance practitioners to eGuidance approaches
- The required competences and skills of guidance practitioners for ICT use in guidance

- The danger of exclusion for low skilled and disadvantaged persons with no access to ICT tools
- The opportunities of extended access to guidance for persons in remote areas or persons with restricted mobility
- The impact of using social networks like second life or facebook for guidance purposes on the nature of these private life social networks
- Recommendations for policy makers to enhance eGuidance elements in their overall eGovernment strategies
- The need for developing quality standards and guidelines for eGuidance and for the ICT tools

in guidance which would have to meet the same quality criteria as face-to-face guidance

In his final speech Tony Watts outlined the “history” of ICT use in guidance which could be observed from the proceedings of the five previous European conferences on the issue. He also pointed out that ICT use nowadays is at the heart of the lifelong guidance policy to support lifelong learning, increasing employability and flexicurity, and improving social inclusion.

The programme and presentations of the conference and the keynote of Tony Watts can be downloaded from www.egos-cip.eu/riga2009 and from www.elgpn.eu.

Karen Schober, Vice-President

Resources

Volume 9 Number 3 of the **Journal of Educational and Vocational Guidance**, IAEVG’s Journal, is now available, with the following Table of Contents

- Editorial
- Cultural transitioning of Jewish immigrants: Education, employment and integration.
- Self-efficacy beliefs and the relation between career planning and perception of barriers.
- Career decision-making, career barriers and occupational aspirations in Chinese adolescents.
- Factors affecting willingness to mentor
- Announcements.

We encourage you to access the journal site regularly: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/106602/>. If you are a member of IAEVG, you have direct access through IAEVG’S web site (members section).

CEDEFOP Newsletter: <http://www.cedefop.europa.eu/etv/News/newsletter.asp?nlid=5&view=full> (several languages)

World Association of Public Employment Services (WAPES): <http://www.wapes.org/> (English, French, Spanish)

Latinamerican Guidance Network: <http://www.rlpo.org> (Spanish)

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