“Meet the Expert” 2013 at the 27th Annual Conference of the European Health Psychology Society in Bordeaux (France)

We are excited to announce this year’s “Meet the Expert” sessions at the Health Psychology Conference in Bordeaux. These pre-conference sessions provide a great opportunity to promote research facilitation and interaction. We are hoping to approach especially young researchers and early career scientists to grab this unique chance to discuss and get advice on their research ideas from experts in the field in a friendly and relaxed environment.

This year’s group of experts are established research leaders with numerous scientific publications and an outstanding record as academic teachers in health psychology. The following four experts have kindly agreed to facilitate this event: Profs., Mark Conner (UK), Lutz Jäncke (Switzerland), Stan Maes (Netherlands), and Crystal Park (USA). Their specific areas of interest are the following:

**Professor Mark Conner – University of Leeds, UK**
- attitude-behaviour relationship and psychological models of the determinants of health behaviours
- social psychology of food
- cognitive versus affective influences on behaviour, mere measurement effects, and attitudinal ambivalence

**Professor Lutz Jäncke – University of Zurich, Switzerland**
- motor and cognitive integration
- functional neuroanatomy
- spatial presence

**Professor Stan Maes – Leiden University, Netherlands**
- self-regulation and lifestyle modification in rehabilitation settings
- quality of life
- health behaviour change

**Professor Crystal Park – University of Connecticut, USA**
- stress, coping and adaptation
- stress-related growth and meaning-making
- religiosity and spirituality

The above key scientists are willing to pass on their knowledge and experience and will try to
- assist young researchers plan a research project.
- provide young scientists with information and resources relevant to the needs of their current research work. Participants may be provided with useful materials and tools, as well as advice concerning the overcoming of specific obstacles they may be facing.
- provide young researchers with ideas about collaborations and networking opportunities.
- provide guidance for publishing in scientific journals.

The consultation sessions will be 30-minutes long and either one-on-one or in small groups. They take place in the afternoon of the first conference day, Tuesday, 16th July, 2013 at Conference venue in Bordeaux, France. Participants are asked to send in some information about themselves and their study
and prepare some questions in advance. This would help the experts prepare for and make best use of the sessions.

**Registration deadline: 31st May 2013**

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We invite applicants from a wide range of countries and research backgrounds. Priority will be given to EHPS members and student members. We will inform you of the outcome by 14th June 2013.

*On behalf of the EHPS Executive Committee, Angela Rodrigues and Pamela Rackow, MTE 2013 Organizing Team*