



## Editorial

Dear Readers,

Many of you will be reading this conference issue of the European Health Psychologist (EHP) in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. This is testament to the fact that the EHPS has been flourishing well beyond an initially small number of countries in North Western Europe over the last 25 years. The EHP too has been steadily developing and expanding over the last several years. We are particularly pleased that the three contributions from the conference keynote speakers in this issue (Fine and Segerstrom, US and Murray, UK) reflect that the EHPS and the EHP continue their commitment to representing the diversity of work in Health Psychology, ranging from the socio-political determinants of health and health psychology research to the potential consequences of individual differences for health at the micro-biological level.



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Our editorial team have attracted a range of articles covering both science and practice issues over the past year. We have continued to have authors of the highest international standing write for the EHP. The quality of the authors that have agreed to write for the EHP indicates that those at the top of the profession recognise the role of publications like EHP in communicating key ideas in Health Psychology in a concise and refreshing way. We would suspect that more people read EHP articles in their entirety than most conventional academic journals and we feel that this fact is not lost on leading scientists and practitioners who continue to willingly write thought-provoking and compelling pieces for the EHP. We would ask all potential authors to keep this in mind for the coming year and to get those contributions submitted to the EHP!

We have recently appointed Natalie Mallach as the new editorial manager. Natalie has already made an excellent contribution to the EHP and in particular this conference issue. I (Gerry Molloy) will be standing down as Editor of the EHP after two years at the helm and I would like to thank all those members of the editorial team and all EHP authors over the last two years for their excellent work. Dr Nihal Mohamed from the US and Dr Richard DeVisser from the UK will also be ending their term as co-editors after this issue. Many thanks also go to Dr Jenny Fidler from the UK, Dr Lukasz Kaczmarek from Poland and Dr Elke van Hoof from Belgium who also served as co-editors at various times over the past two years. Rik Crutzen has agreed to take over as an editor in September. The Editorial Board plans to assemble a new editorial team in the coming months. CVs plus a covering letter explaining why you would like to join the team and why you would be suitable for the position should be sent to Rik Crutzen (Rik.Crutzen@GVO.unimaas.nl). Decisions will be made by the Editorial Board who will evaluate applicants on previous relevant experience, professional standing (i.e. well-known/respected in the field), the letter explaining why applicants would like to join the team, the strength of the applicant's link with EHPS (i.e. conference attendance, etc.) and organisational ability. All applicants must be members of the EHPS.

The new editorial team look forward to receiving and publishing new thought-provoking pieces in 2010-2011.

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