



EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH IN ADULT DEVELOPMENT

ESRAD CONFERENCE 2018 25th to 27th May 2018, University of Greenwich, London, UK

- CALL FOR PROPOSALS -

This call for proposals is for all scholars and practitioners who are engaging in research and practice that is advancing our understanding of adult development. We welcome proposals from all branches of the behavioral and social sciences, and from practitioners working with adults to enhance development and personal growth.

The three key topics of focus for the conference are:

- **Life stages, transitions and meaning-making**
- **Coaching and leadership in relation to adult development theories**
- **Cross-cultural approaches to adult development**

In addition to the above key themes, submissions are invited that are relevant to adult development more generally.

VENUE

Greenwich Campus, University of Greenwich, London, SE10 9LS, United Kingdom
<http://www2.gre.ac.uk/about/campus/greenwich>



The university is housed in buildings designed by Sir Christopher Wren and built between 1696 and 1712. As well as being a university campus, the buildings are a popular tourist destination and film set.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Our keynote speaker, Prof Jeff Arnett, will be speaking on the subject of "Rethinking Adult Development: New Ideas for New Times." Professor Arnett is author and editor of over 20 books and 100 journal articles that relate to the challenges of adult development and ageing. He is the originator of the theory of emerging adulthood (human development from age 18-29) and his other scholarly interests include media uses in adolescence, the psychology of globalization, and responses to cigarette advertising. View his TedX talk here on the life stage of emerging adulthood:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fv8KpQY0m6o>

LECTURE WORKSHOP

Adult development theories: from the 'No Man's Land' to practical application in coaching



Tatiana Bachkirova is Professor of Coaching Psychology and Director of the International Centre for Coaching and Mentoring Studies at Oxford Brookes University, UK <http://www.brookes.ac.uk/iccams/>. Her scholarly interests are in developmental coaching, philosophy of coaching and coaching supervision. She published widely on these topics in journals, books and edited volumes, including the SAGE Handbook of Coaching and Developmental Coaching: Working with the Self.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP (25th May)

Introduction to the Subject-Object Interview (SOI) by Andres Fossas



The Subject-Object Interview (SOI) workshop will take participants through the basics of scoring and conducting the SOI to assess stage of psychological development. The workshop is split into three parts: (1) understanding Subject-Object Theory; (2) scoring for stage and substage; (3) listening and probing for meaning-making. Real SOI transcripts and a brief SOI demonstration will be provided. Andres Fossas is an Assessment Manager at Walking the Talk, <http://www.walkingthetalk.com/team/andres-fossas/>

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

25th May

1.30pm to 5pm – Pre-conference workshop: Robert Kegan's Subject-Object Interview

6pm – Pre-conference drinks and informal meeting

26th May

9am to 5pm – Symposium, including keynote lecture

8pm – Conference dinner (paid for at the event)

27th May

9am to 5pm – Symposium

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Submissions may be **oral presentations** or **poster presentations**. Both theoretical and empirical proposals are welcome. Abstracts of oral presentation or poster proposals should not exceed 300 words (excluding title, tables, graphs and references). Abstracts should be submitted under the following structure:

- 1. Title**
- 2. Authors**
- 3. Area of interest**
- 4. Type: Oral presentation or poster**
- 5. Background and Aim**
- 6. Method** (*if theoretical paper; approach to theoretical analysis*)
- 7. Results** (*if theoretical paper; key conceptual points*)
- 8. Discussion and Implications**

Author participation limit: Please note to promote broad participation, ESRAD has implemented an author limit. Each author may appear only up to twice in the programme as presenter, once as first author and then a second time as co-author.

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

January 12th 2018: Deadline for submission of proposals.

February 9th 2018: Notification for acceptance of proposals

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please submit proposals as pdf or Word document to the following e-mail address: **esradinfo@gmail.com**. Please put "ESRAD symposium abstract 2018" into the subject heading.

CONFERENCE FEES

- Early Bird Symposium Fee: **£150** (Up to 23rd April 2018)
- Full Symposium Fee: **£175** (after 23rd April 2018)
- Student Fee: **£95**
- Pre-Conference Workshop Fee: **£30**

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Information on how register and on local hotels is available on <http://www.europeadultdevelopment.org/>

If you have any questions, please feel free to send a query to address **esradinfo@gmail.com**

CONFERENCE CHAIR

Oliver Robinson, University of Greenwich

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