



South East Asian INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL WORKSHOP

Proposed Dates: 26 February- 2 March 2017

To be hosted by

Prince of Songkla University, Thailand

co-hosted by Research Center for Educational Innovations and Teaching and Learning Excellence

Prince of Songkla University, Thailand

Venue: LRC Building, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand, Hat Yai, Thailand

Introductions

Schools should be safe places with a positive climate and good relationships. Research has a vital role to play in helping teachers, pupils and parents. This workshop will focus on ways of improving social relationships in schools, school safety and school climate. It will not directly examine academic achievement, although safer and happier schools will also impact on this. The workshop will share expertise in these areas on a cross-disciplinary basis. In particular it will focus on new challenges as well as opportunities that face schools. These include:

- Increased diversity (in ethnicity, faith, and immigrant pupils)
- Use and abuse of new communication technologies and redesigning schools for the digital age
- Dealing with problems of violence and bullying
- Harnessing the potential of pupil participation and youth voice.

Objectives

The workshop will provide a forum where early career researchers (ECRs) can meet and learn from senior scholars who have outstanding publishing backgrounds. Specifically, the objectives of the workshop will be to:

- Provide an opportunity for learning about theoretical and methodological issues related to research in schools through presentations from senior scholars
- Facilitate identification of gaps and opportunities in research on school climate and school safety and stimulate further research in this area by young scholars
- Provide a forum for training ECRs on research methods and procedures
- Provide ECRs the opportunity to present some of their ongoing research projects and receive feedback and guidance
- Train ECRs on ways of maximising impact of their research through press releases and media interviews
- Provide an opportunity for ECRs to network
- Provide an interactive forum for ECRs via poster workshops and panel discussions
- Boost membership of the ISSBD, recruit members and promote ISSBD in the region.

Thematic Scheme:

- Research on school safety and school climate
- The Asian context and issues in cross-cultural comparisons
- The impact of ICT on school safety and school climate
- Harnessing pupil voice in research
- School violence, bullying and cyberbullying

Keynote speakers:

Australia	: Dr. Barbara Spears
Hong Kong	: Professor Dennis Wong
India	: Dr.Suman Verma
Israel	: Professor Rami Benbenishty
Thailand	: Assistant Professor Dr.Ruthaychonnee Sittichai
United Kingdom	: Professor Peter K Smith
United States	: Professor Toni C. Antonucci

Eligibility:

Early Career Scholars in Human Development, Education, Psychology or allied field with related relevant research with a PhD degree, or those enrolled for PhD, or within 7 years of having received a doctorate degree are eligible to apply. Applications from the Asia region will be given preference.

Important Dates:

September 30, 2016 Deadline for abstract and application submission
October 31, 2016 The announcement of abstract acceptance
November 15, 2016 Invitation letter to participants

Forms

- a) Application Form
- b) Abstract Guideline
- c) Reference Letter

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