

nationalities! This way the presenters may choose which language they are most comfortable with presenting in, while opening up the conferences for non-Scandinavian speakers. To our delight our colleagues in Finland and Iceland, attend in greater numbers. It has also enabled the board to increase the collaboration with WAIMH, and to work together with sponsors to offer interesting and important keynotes from distinguished colleagues in the field. At last year conference in Stockholm, Miri Keren honored us with an inspiring and heartfelt talk on her work. This year in Bergen, Zack Boukydis graced us with his presence, giving a presentation on his seminal work with neonates illustrated in Collaboration and Collaboration with Infants and their parents.

As Lynn Priddis highlighted when introducing us to the Australian affiliate model, the Nordic conferences are governed by the context in which they occur with each committee who organizes the event adding local color to the meetings. In Bergen we travelled high up in the mountains by funicular to enjoy a lovely Norwegian meal high above the fjords. In Stockholm we looked out on the sea covered in glistening snow and ice while listening to our colleagues. And in Copenhagen we celebrated twenty years of IMH network in Scandinavia with a theatre piece and an introduction to our honorary members.

Network Activities

When looking at the NFSU/NAIMH website, www.nfsu.org, one can tell there is a lot of activity going on (one can only read it if one is fluent in Scandinavian.. we are working on an English version...). The board hosts events throughout the year for the members, but also encourages members to create their own events, seminars etc. The board has also initiated events inviting non-members to join as a way to enroll more members. Here we may collaborate with other members of WAIMH to offer lectures, and we also occasionally co-host events with the national Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Divisions and regional universities. We call these gatherings "NFSU-café's" and they can center around almost any relevant topic members initiate. Most recently Helen Minnis came to Stockholm to inform members on the current state of research regarding Reactive Attachment Disorder, member Marianne Velandia presented her important thesis on skin-to-skin after Cesaerean deliveries etc. Another example on how the network has been useful to its members is the arranging of a pre-conference meeting of the colleagues who

From the Affiliates

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In preparation for the 2014 WAIMH Congress in Edinburgh, the UK Affiliate, with WAIMH and the Affiliates Council, have been working together to run a pre-congress event that specifically addresses reflective supervision, a continuing education need that was identified from the affiliates surveys as an issue of interest for many of us. A reflective supervision pre-congress event is therefore being organized, in order to offer an experience of a live supervision format. Two colleagues have offered to take the supervisor role: Louise Emmanuel representing the UK affiliate, and Pamela Segel, representing the broader affiliate community. Both Louise and Pamela are very experienced and highly regarded supervisors.

We are now seeking to identify two colleagues— one from the UK Affiliate, and one from any other Affiliate - who would be willing to take part in the live supervision as supervisees. The recruiting process uses our emerging communication infrastructure for Affiliates: the message was distributed on the Affiliates presidents' mailing list and was also posted on the Affiliates Facebook page, to which all Presidents and Affiliates Board members are once again invited to join in by contacting Catarina Furmark (cfurmark@gmail.com) or Lynn Priddis (lpriddis@curtin.edu.au). For this event to be a success, we are looking for two practitioners who have considerable

work within the neonatal wards.

Collaboration

As previously mentioned, NAIMH values the close collaboration with WAIMH. Most recently this resulted in the arrangement of a training seminar, in the use of the Alarm Distress Baby Scale (ADBB). Antoine Guedeney, along with members from Norway, gave the training that resulted in a number of newly certified coders primarily in Norway, but also in Sweden. We actively promote the use of the internet to enable communication, one such being the

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experience of reflective supervision. The supervisee would be required to bring a detailed case study, which could be presented in accordance with the usual ethics of supervision with regard to case presentation to ensure the anonymity of the patient/client. Being a supervisee would entail presenting a detailed processed record of a clinical encounter, depending on their work context, with minimal but essential background history. The supervisee would also need to be willing to engage in an extended discussion (for around an hour) with one of the two nominated supervisors, and with a potential audience of around 50 people (although this may be as many as 100).

If you would be interested in being a supervisee, we ask that you email the WAIMH office (office@waimh.org) with the following information:

- Name
- Affiliate
- Professional credentials and ethical body
- Experience to date of reflective supervision
- A brief statement about what you think as a supervisee you would bring to this process.

The selection process will be overseen by WAIMH, the Affiliates Council, and the local organizing committee for the WAIMH congress, and all applicants will be notified about the outcome of their application later in the year. The closing date for applications is: July 15, 2013.

In the meantime, our best wishes for a dynamic spring period for your Affiliate.

closed Facebook group for affiliate board members just established following the affiliate meeting in Cape Town.

Finally...

I would like to invite you all to our next annual conference, which will be hosted by the Danish branch of NAIMH, with our very promising and enthusiastic organizing committee based in Copenhagen. The preliminary dates are March 7-8, 2014. Mark it in your Calendar! Wishing you a very warm welcome to Scandinavia.