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Dear All,

Seasons' Greetings and A Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year!

I have decided to issue this special *Newsletter* in order to share with you two short yet important announcements relevant to our RC.

The first is regarding the 2013 Annual Scientific Meeting of the *International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)* that will take place during July 8-11, 2013, in Herzeliya, Israel. I am writing to draw your attention to the fact that a *Call for Papers* for this conference has been issued and related details can be found in:

<http://convention2.allacademic.com/one/ispp/ispp13>

The *Call For Papers* specifies the procedures for submission of proposals. Among others, the *ISPP* accepts (1) **Individual paper submissions**, which subsequently will be grouped into panels with similar papers and will be assigned chairs and discussants; (2) **Posters submissions**, designed to present research projects in all their phases. Posters can include information on data, results, conclusions, applications, or implementation of instruments and techniques. The aim of poster sessions is to be interactive and to provide exchange and discussion of ideas between the poster's author and the people viewing the

posters; (3) **Proposals for complete panels**, that include normally up to four papers addressing a common substantive topic, a chair, and up to two discussants; and, (4) **Proposals for roundtables**, specifying two or more presenters (and a chair) who articulate their views on a particular topic, including a research area, a particular book, or a method.

While encouraging RC members to send their **individual paper proposals** directly to ISPP, I am also ready to help in putting forward **Proposals for complete panels** or **Roundtables** on behalf of our group's members. Interested members can send me the title and a detailed synopsis of their papers, and I will try to cluster the proposed papers under a shared theme and suggest them either as panels or roundtables to *ISPP*.

Note that since the submission of proposals has already opened on December 2nd, 2012, and the deadline for submissions is February 5th, 2013, I would like to accept these proposals by January 27th, at the latest, to be able to meet *ISPP*'s time frame.

My address for this matter is, as ever, ofeldman@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

The second issue that I would like to alert RC members to is related to a new book series entitled ***Political Psychology: Issues, Challenges, and Prospects***, to be published by *Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft*, Baden-Baden, one of the leading publishers in social sciences in Germany. The *Nomos' Political Psychology Series* will be under the General Editorship of Sonja Zmerli (*Goethe-University Frankfurt* and *TU Darmstadt*) and me. It aims to present a selected number of works related to the political psychology field of inquiry. Each volume in the series will focus on particular aspects of the discipline, and underlines the significance of the interrelationships between political behavior and involvement and psychological perspectives. The series will offer theoretically, empirically, and methodologically sophisticated accounts on this interdisciplinary field of research to understand the crucial role individuals and groups play in politics; the effects of personality, attitude, learning, information processing and communication on political decisions and activity; and the linkages between situational and cultural features to performances in the public sphere.

Among other subject matters the series will include research on individual and collective action, voting behavior and attitudes, political violence and terrorism, stereotypes and prejudice, group dynamics and conflicts, identity, and genetics and neuroscience, on both the domestic and international levels, and in cross-national, cross-cultural settings. One of

the characteristics of the series is that volumes will be published in English, German, and French.

At this point we are looking for suitable proposals for books to be evaluated for publication in this series in line with *Nomos'* terms of business. Interested members are encouraged to send their detailed prospectus either to Sonja Zmerli at zmerli@soz.uni-franfurt.de or to me ofeldman@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

Cordially,

With best wishes for a fruitful year,

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