Dr. Robert Schinke, ISSP-R

Position of President Nomination: Dr. YoungHo Kim Seconded: Dr. Yu-Kai Chang

I am a Canadian Sport Psychology Professor. My experiences bridge research as a former Canada Research Chair and practice as a current mental performance consultant to Olympic teams and professional athletes. I was the President of AASP when I joined the ISSP Managing Council, 2013-2017. Since 2017, I have been ISSP President. During my first term, this society launched an ISSP Registry with registrants from five continents. There is the accompanying ISSP Supervisory status, to oversee the development of emerging practitioners. This term the goal is to expand registrants to more regions worldwide, with regularly scheduled online modules. There have been important developments advancing ISSP’s stature as the world society. The International Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology gained its impact factor (2.1) in 2020. The IJSEP will soon be Q1. There have been two ISSP World Think Tanks devoted to athlete mental health, hosted by Team Denmark and the University of Southern Denmark (2018) and the United States Olympic Committee (2019). Thinktanks will extend to support staff in sport and physical activity contexts. We have sponsored ISSP Ambassadors to Nigeria, Ghana, and Uruguay. Further opportunities will exist this term for onsite and virtual locations and member access to Ambassadors every year. I am committed to developing our international congress, as the quintessential scientific meeting, with more presenter language opportunities. Most importantly, our organizational structure now encourages you to engage in committees and the growth of this society. I seek your support to lead a second term as ISSP’s President.
Dr Tatiana V. Ryba

Nominated by: Professor Robert Schinke for Vice President, Seconded by Dr Gangyan Si

Personal Statement

I am a practitioner of cultural sport psychology, currently holding research and teaching posts in the Department of Psychology and the Methodology Centre for Human Sciences at the University of Jyväskylä, Finland. I have been privileged to mentor postgraduate students, doctoral researchers, and early career scholars in the “Winning in the Long Run” research group which investigates the developmental trajectories and life design of talented youth athletes and, moreover, within the European network of sport and exercise psychology as well as the ISSP-organised workshops worldwide. I have also contributed to our field through serving on Editorial Boards of a variety of journals and am currently Guest Editor of the Psychology of Sport and Exercise. Within an Executive Committee role for ISSP, I am motivated to further the work on cultural inclusivity and social justice at every level of our international community, including opportunities for leadership, member services, and conferences that reach out to emergent sport psychology regions. If elected, it would be my honour to support the President-Elect in providing leadership and sustainability for our field in the times of healing and reimagining the future after COVID-19.
Professor Youngho Kim

Nominated for the position of Vice-President by Professor Robert Schinke and seconded by Professor Yu-Kai Chang

Personal Statement

Dr. Youngho Kim received his PhD from the University of Wollongong, Australia in 1998, in an area of health and exercise psychology. Dr. Kim has currently served for the President of the Asian-South Pacific Association of Sport Psychology (ASPASP), the Vice-President of the International Society of Sport Psychology (ISSP), a section editor (Exercise and Health: Social Aspects and Interventions) of International Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology (IJSEP), an associate editor (Exercise Psychology) of Asian Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology (AJSEP), and a Vice President of Korea Society of Sport Psychology. His research interests include psychosocial correlates of physical activity in various settings, and he is currently focusing on physical activity and its related psychosocial constructs based on psychosocial theories. He has published more than 200 peer-reviewed journal articles and made more than 180 presentations at international conferences. Outstandingly, Dr. Kim has won research grants from Korean government every year since 2003, and he is recently funded (USD 250,000) by National Research Foundation. Furthermore, Dr. Kim has been maintaining a broad and tight network not only within the Asian region, but also with many other international countries, both in an interpersonal and academic aspect. For these reasons, I am running for the vice president of ISSP to contribute to the better development of ISSP and to revitalize the international exchange of sports and exercise psychology.
Application for Vice President, ISSP 2021-2025

Professor Chris Harwood, Loughborough University, UK

Nominated by Professor Robert Schinke, Seconded by Professor Kris Henriksen for Vice-President

Personal Statement

I am an applied researcher and practitioner who maintains a longstanding interest in the development of sport and exercise psychology vis a vis academic scholarship and professional practice. Prior to joining the managing council of ISSP in 2017, I served as Vice-President of the European Federation of Sport and Exercise Psychology (FEPSAC; 2007-2011) and as the Division Chair for Psychology within the British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (2014-2018). My experience in these two roles assisted my responsibilities as Accreditation Chair for ISSP. My main focus has been to proactively develop and launch ISSP’s sport and exercise psychology registry (ISSP-R) – a scheme that is pivotal to the professional development of sport psychology practitioners and to the quality assurance of our services to clients. Developing a set of global minimum standards for education and practice is important for all nations, but particularly for emerging nations who need support in the absence of their own national accreditation schemes. Supported by my committee, I have led the launch of ISSP-R for established and emerging practitioners, alongside an ISSP registry for supervisors. We have also developed three ISSP-R modules on Mental health, Cultural Competence and Ethical Practice. Our first applicants were conferred ISSP-R earlier this year, there is more work required in scaling out ISSP-R practitioner and supervisor routes, and fully developing the administration processes of the Registry. As Vice-President, I am motivated to help further this work on international accreditation and improve on our educational and professional services to members.
Franco Noce PhD, Assistant Professor
Nominated by Dr. Artur Poczwardowski Seconded by Dr. Rob Schinke
For: Secretary General

Personal Statement

I am honored to run for the 2021 election for ISSP Secretary General (SG). I have been an ISSP member since 2013 and served on the Board of Directors (MC) for the past eight years where I was the leader of the Emerging Countries Project and supported various actions such as the Ambassador Program, the Think Tank Strategy and the Management of Social Networks. Graduated in Psychology and Physical Education. I have a Master's Degree in Sport Psychology and a Doctorate in Psychobiology. I am currently Professor of Sport Psychology (undergraduate and graduate) where I have coached more than 100 students. I have been working in the field of Sport Psychology for more than 30 years, leading several projects and interventions with athletes and teams from different sports at the Olympic and Paralympic level. As Vice-President of the Brazilian Society of Sport Psychology, I have already organized several scientific events and have a representative participation in several Sport Psychology societies in South and Latin America. I would like to continue helping and working with ISSP members to promote the field of sport psychology worldwide. Especially with the training of human resources in sport psychology. I am committed to serving as SG and supporting the agenda of the next ISSP President in carrying out Strategic Planning. If elected, I intend to apply my personal and professional experience in carrying out the most urgent and future-oriented tasks of the ISSP.
Research Chair Professor Yu-Kai Chang
Nominated for the position of Treasurer by Professor Robert Schinke and seconded by Professor YoungHo Kim.

I am a Research Chair Professor in the Department of Physical Education and Sport Sciences, National Taiwan Normal University, in Taipei, Taiwan, and Director of the department’s “Physical Activity and Cognitive Neuroscience Laboratory”. I am also currently President of the Society for Sport and Exercise Psychology of Taiwan, Member at Large of both the International Society of Sports Psychology (ISSP) and the Asian-South Pacific Association of Sport Psychology. I am also honored to serve as Conference President of the ISSP 15th World Congress. My research focuses on “Exercise and Mental Health”, “Sports/Performance Psychology”, and "Mindfulness", undertaken from a cognitive neuroscience perspective. Due to my dedication and scholarly enthusiasm, I have received numerous Taiwan and international honors and academic awards: The 2020 HHS Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, the Outstanding Research Award of the Taiwan Ministry of Science and Technology in 2019; the Young Scholars Award of the North American Society of Physical Activity and Sport Psychology in 2014, the Young Scholar Award of the ISSP in 2013, the Ta-You Wu Memorial Award of the National Science Council in 2012, the Chinese Young Scholar Award of the ISSP Chinese Section in 2012, the China Youth Salvation Youth Medal in 2011, and the Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award of UNCG in 2009. Regarding research services, I am currently Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Physical Education (TSSCI), Associate Editor of the Journal of Sport and Health Science, and an editorial board member of three prestigious international journals associated with Sport and Exercise Psychology (i.e., IJSEP, JSEP, PSE). I would make use of the position of Member at Large in order to keep contributing to the ISSP and also for promoting the scholarship of Sport and Exercise Psychology globally.