

## **International conference on adoption research 2006: Provisional programme.**

### **EXPLANATION OF TERMS:**

**Paper symposia:** These last 1.5 hours. They contain 4 papers linked under a certain theme. Each presenter will give a 15 minute oral presentation of their paper. A chair/discussant will lead questions and discussion between presenters and the audience for half an hour. (N.b. paper symposium 8 contains 5 papers, so each presenter will have 12 minutes each). Each paper symposia will be scheduled alongside 2 other paper symposia and one workshop.

**Poster Symposia:** These last 1.5 hours. Posters have been grouped thematically, and each poster symposium will be located in a separate room. Each poster presenter will be asked to introduce the key ideas or findings from their poster for about 5 minutes. Time for questions and discussion between presenters and the audience will be allowed. This formal part of the poster symposia should last no longer than one hour, allowing everyone the chance to browse posters in the other groups. Each poster symposia will be scheduled alongside 3 other poster symposia.

**Workshops:** These last 1.5 hours, and each workshop is different. Each workshop is scheduled alongside 3 paper symposia.

### **Paper Symposium 1 – Children adopted across cultural/racial groups – the influence of social attitudes**

**9- Richard M. Lee** (University of Minnesota) - *Perceived Discrimination as a Post-Adoption Risk Factor in International Adoption*

**10 – Tobias Hubinette** (Stockholm University), Carina Tigervall (Umeå University) - *Contested adoption narratives in a Swedish setting*

**43 – Diane Marre** (University of Barcelona-CIIMU) - *Intercultural and interracial relations - experiences in transnational adoption. The Spanish Case*

**73 – Andrew Zinn** (University of Chicago) - *Foster Parent Race and Adoption from Substitute Care*

### **Paper Symposium 2 – Making sense of both cultural and adoptive identity – issues for inter country adopted children**

**26 – Malin Irhammar** (Kristianstad University, Sweden) - *Searching for Biological and Ethnic Origin in the transition from Adolescence into Young Adulthood. Experiences from a Group of International Adoptees in Sweden*

**42 – Ellen Pinderhughes**, Neda Bebiroglu, Stephanie Chin, Kate Golden & Iris Chin Ponte (Tufts University, Medford USA) - *Chinese-American Adoptions - Navigating Experiences and Perceptions*

**51 – Rhoda Scherman** (Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand) - *The intercountry adoption of Eastern European children in New Zealand. Findings from an empirical study*

**21 Yael Golan** (University of Cambridge, UK) - *The Construction of Difference – Identities and Schooling Experiences of Transracially Adopted Children*

### **Paper Symposium 3 - The influence of adoptive families on the development of adopted children.**

**82-** Ana Berástegui Pedro-Viejo & **Juan Pedro Núñez Partido** (Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Madrid) - *A family stress and coping model of children's adjustment to international adoption*

**85-** Nicole Jaffari-Bimmel, **Femmie Juffer**, Marinus H. van IJzendoorn, Marian J. Bakermans-Kranenburg & Ab Mooijaart (Leiden University, The Netherlands). - *Adopted Children's Social Development from Infancy to Adolescence: Longitudinal and Concurrent Factors*

**109-** **Jesus Palacios**, Yolanda Sánchez-Sandoval, Esperanza León & Maite Román (University of Sevilla, Spain)- *Manifestation of problems in intercountry adoptees: the influences of the initial adaptation and the family dynamic*

**112 - Vinita Bhargava** (Lady Irwin College, New Delhi, India) - *Listening to Children: Socio-cultural reflections on Adoption in India*

### **Paper Symposium 4 - Adopted children's development after early institutional care**

**2-** **Sharon Judge** (University of Tennessee, USA) - *The Effects of Early Institutionalization in Adopted Children*

**20-** **Tony Tan** & Kofi Marfo (University of South Florida, USA) - *Early Indicators of Psycho-Social Adversity and Behavioral Adjustment in a sample of Chinese adopted children*

**64-** **Nancy Cohen** (University of Toronto, Canada), Mirek Lojkasek, Mirella Pugliese, Zohreh Yaghoub Zadeh & Heidi Kiefer (Hincks-Dellcrest Centre) - *Infants Adopted From China. A Prospective Study of Development Over Two Years*

**45-** **Gabriela Misca** (University of Bristol, UK) - *The “Romanian orphans” adopted internationally - Reflections on research studies over the past decade*

## **Paper Symposium 5 - Adolescence and early adulthood – how internationally adopted children develop in the longer term**

**39- Esther J. M. Van der Vegt**, Jan van der Ende, Robert F. Ferdinand, Frank C. Verhulst & Henning Tiemeier (University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands) – *The impact of early adversities on adult psychiatric disorders*

**27- Wendy Tieman**, Jan van der Ende & Frank C. Verhulst (University Medical Center Rotterdam). - *Longitudinal Course of Problem Behaviour in Intercountry Adoptees*

**87 – Monica Dalen/ Anna Hubinette** (University of Oslo) Anders Hjern , Frank Lindblad, Finn Rasmussen & Bo Vinnerljung - *The influence of pre- and post-adoption factors on intelligence test performance among young international adoptees*

**97 – Trudy Rosenwald**, Alison Garton, Moira O'Connor (Edith Cowan University, Western Australia) - *Longitudinal study of intercountry adoption in Western Australia*

## **Paper Symposium 6 – The use of domestic and intercountry adoptions – cross national comparisons**

**98 – Peter Hayes** (University of Sunderland, UK) - *Japan’s transition to ‘special adoption: achievements, problems and prospects*

**99 – Juliette Halifax** (INED - National institute for demographic studies, France) - *Why are there so many international adoptions in France?*

**11 – Peter Selman** (University of Newcastle, UK) - *Towards a Demography of Adoption: making sense of official statistics on child adoption and the search for origins*

**61 - Jagannath Pati** (California State University of Long Beach, USA)- *Placement Protocol and Permanency of Children without Parental Care in USA & India. A Comparative Study*

## **Paper Symposium 7 - The Domestic and international ramifications of inter country adoption**

**77 - Salomé Adroher Biosca & Blanca Gómez Bengoechea** (Universidad P. Comillas de Madrid, Spain) - *Regulation of the intercountry adoption in the post adoption period*

**34 - Lilia Khabibullina** (Universitat de Barcelona, Spain) - *Circulation of Russian children in Europe (case study of transnational adoption of children from Russia to Catalonia*

**40 – Jonathan Dickens** (University of East Anglia, UK) - *The social policy contexts of inter-country adoption*

## **Paper Symposium 8 - Adoptive parent motivation and recruitment**

**38 - Katherin M. Flower Kim** (University of Minnesota) - *Out of Sorts: Social constructions and parental sorting of (un)adoptable children.*

**41 – Emmalouise Ward** (University of East Anglia, UK) - *Taking the Next Step: A psychosocial exploration of deciding on becoming an adoptive parent*

**65 – Isabelle Frechon & Catherine Villeneuve-Gokalp** (Chargée de recherche CNRS-GRASS, France) - *Characteristics of the candidates for adoption in France*

**84 – Paul McIlvenny & Pirkko Raudaskoski** (Aalborg University, Denmark) - *Becoming an Adoptive Parent: A Qualitative Analysis of the Experience of Prospective Intercountry Adopters*

**57 – Jennifer Jue-Steuck** (University of California, Berkeley) – *From Anne Shirley to Annie Warbucks: Changing cultural and racial representations of adoptees in the American and Canadian Medias.*

### **Paper Symposium 9 – Adoption and other permanent placement options – how do they compare?**

**105 – Elizabeth Monck**, Dr Valerie Wigfall & Jill Reynolds (Thomas Coram Research Unit, London, UK) - *Using concurrent planning to achieve early permanency for young children*

**81- Susan Livingston Smith** (Evan B Donaldson Adoption Institute, USA) & Jeanne A. Howard (Evan B Donaldson Adoption Institute, and Illinois State University, USA) – *A Comparative Study of Adopted Children from Different Adoption Types and Birth Children*

**54 – Scott Ryan** (Florida State University, USA)- *Kinship Adoptions - Older Persons Adopting Younger Relatives*

### **Paper Symposium 10 – Domestic special needs placement – practice and support issues**

**96 – Michelle Hanna** (University of Denver, USA) & Ruth G. McRoy (The University of Texas at Austin, USA) - *Preparing School Aged Children for Special Needs Adoption: Perspectives of Successful Adoptive Parents and Caseworkers*

**80 – Jeanne Howard** (Evan B Donaldson Adoption Institute, and Illinois State University, USA) & Susan L. Smith (Evan B Donaldson Adoption Institute, USA) - *Stress and Coping in Struggling Adoptive Families*

**83 – Laraine Masters Glidden** (St. Mary’s City, Maryland, USA) - *Longitudinal Perspectives of Families with Adopted Children with Intellectual Disabilities*

**55 – Blace Nalavany & Scott D. Ryan** (Florida State University, USA) - *Impact of Preadoptive Childhood Sexual Abuse on Adopted Boys*

### **Paper Symposium 11 – Adoption from the perspective of birth family members**

**33 – Ruth Kelly** (Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland) - *Reflections on Adoption Reunion – Factors Which Contribute to Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory Outcomes in On-going Post Reunion Relationships for Birthmothers*

**93 – Julie Young** (University of East Anglia, UK) – *Accepting and adjusting to the loss of a child to adoption – the feelings of birth relatives six years on*

**66 – Jennifer Rice & Madeleine McNiece** (Victoria University, Melbourne) - *The experience of Australian relinquishing mothers in open adoption. Contact, grief and psychological adjustment*

**95 - Susan Henney** (The University of Houston-Downtown), Ruth G. McRoy (The University of Texas at Austin, USA), Harold D. Grotevant (University of Minnesota, USA) & Susan Ayers-Lopez (The University of Texas at Austin, USA) - *Birthmother Adjustment after Adoption: The Grief Experience over Time*

## **Paper Symposium 12 – The dynamics and processes between adopted children and adoptive parents.**

**59 - Katherine L. Rosenblum & Kristine Freeark** (University of Michigan, USA) - *Family processes that promote emotional competence and a sense of belonging in young internationally adopted children*

**74 - Martha A. Rueter** (University of Minnesota, USA) - *Comparison of family interactions across families with domestically adopted children, internationally adopted children, and biological children.*

**23 - Gretchen Wrobel** (Bethel University, USA) & Harold D. Grotevant (University of Minnesota, USA) – *The influence of adoptive mother attitudes on adopted adolescent search intentions*

## **Workshop 1 - Supporting adoptions in difficulty:**

**52 – David Cross & Karyn Purvis** (Texas Christian University, USA) - *Promising Interventions for Families with At-Risk Adoptions*

## **Workshop 2 – Methodological challenges and solutions**

**86 - Heather R. Haberman**, Kristin Schneider, Brooke Skinner & Lynn Von Korff (University of Minnesota, USA) - *Minnesota/Texas Adoption Research Project Use of Internet Research Methods: Decisions, Challenges, & Successes*

**22 - Amy Whitesel** (George Washington University), Leslie Leve (Oregon Social Learning Center) & Jenae Neiderhiser (George Washington University) - *Strategies for Successful Researcher-Adoption Agency Partnerships*

## **Workshop 3 – Panel discussion - The search for stability and family membership for children in care who can not go home: international perspectives on the place of adoption and long-term family foster care**

**17 – June Thoburn & Gillian Schofield** (University of East Anglia, UK), Gunvor Andersson (Lund University, Sweden), Turid vogt Grinde (NOVA, Oslo), Greg Kelly (Queens University, Belfast), Pat Hansen (Australia).

## **Workshop 4 - Searching Questions: identity, origins and adoption- developing a workbook/video training resource pack for practice**

15 – **Julia Feast** & John Simmonds (British Association for Adoption and Fostering, UK)

### **Poster symposium 1 – Different faces of adoption around the world**

37. **Valerie O'Brien** (University College Dublin, Ireland). *The challenge for research and practice in assessment and decision making practices in intercountry adoption*

4. **Maria Clotilde Rossetti-Ferreira** (University of São Paulo, Brazil) - *Approaching adoption and foster care in Brazil through various interweaved studies*

5. **Fernanda Neísa Mariano** & Maria Clotilde Rossetti-Ferreira (University of São Paulo, Brazil)- *Patterns of Adoption in a medium size town in Brazil*

6. **Lilian de Almeida Guimarães Solon**, Nina Rosa do Amaral Costa & Maria Clotilde Rossetti-Ferreira (University of São Paulo, Brazil) - *Investigating Adoption from the Children's Perspective*

7. **Nina Rosa do Amaral Costa** & Maria Clotilde Rossetti-Ferreira (University of São Paulo, Brazil) - *Motherhood and fatherhood discursive practices in a late adoption process*

8. **Solange Aparecida Serrano** & Maria Clotilde Rossetti-Ferreira (University of São Paulo, Brazil) - *Young children in foster care: a study on four Brazilian institutions*

13 - **Alfred Kobina Arthur** (Family Focus International, Accra, Ghana) - *Domestic and international adoption in Ghana*

32 - **Sheila Greene**, Ruth Kelly, Liz Nixon, Zosia Borska, Aoife Daly & Greg Kelly (Children's Research Centre, Trinity College, Dublin). *Inter-Country Adoption in Ireland – A Study of Experiences, Outcomes and Service Needs*

### **Poster Symposium 2 – Parent child relationships – attachment and beyond**

91 - **Sanna Mäkipää** (University of Tampere, Finland) - *Adoptive parenthood and emotions: the official and the personal stories.*

53b - **Brooke Skinner** (University of Minnesota, USA) - *Adoptive Parent-Child Attachment: Development Within the Context of Loss Associated with Infertility*

111. **Gill Haworth** and Jan Way (Intercountry Adoption Centre, UK).  
- *Dedicated Intercountry Adoption Preparation Courses – the prospective adopters' perspective – working towards an outcome study*

94. **Michelle Cooper** (University of East Anglia, UK) – *Fostering babies before adoption – understanding parenting and attachment*

### **Poster Symposium 3 – The health and physical development of internationally adopted children.**

**18** - Laurie C. Miller, Wilma Chan, Linda Tirella, Kathleen Comfort Salas, Ellen Perrin, (Tufts University School of Medicine, USA) - *Outcomes of children adopted from Eastern Europe*

**19** - **Leif Svensson**, (Primary Care, Skövde, Sweden) Magnus Landgren (Hospital of Skaraborg, Skövde, Sweden) , Marita Andersson Grönlund (The Sahlgrenska Academy at Göteborg University, Göteborg) - *Low total IQ and discrepancies between cognitive factors in adopted children with low birth weight*

**69** – **Sandra Iverson**, Lindsay M. Knauf, Maria Kroupina, & Dana E. Johnson (University of Minnesota, USA) - *International Adoptees are at High-Risk for Vision and Hearing Problems*

**70** – **Maria Kroupina** (University of Minnesota, USA), S. Iverson, A. Petryk, B. Miller, J. Pflugi, D. Johnson, J. H. Himes (University of Minnesota Children's Hospital, USA), P. Mason (International Adoption Center, Inova Fairfax Hospital for Children, Fairfax, VA) - *Risk Factors Predicting Stunted Physical Growth in Post-Institutionalized Children*

**102** - **Kofi Marfo** & Tony Tan (University of South Florida, USA) - *A Comparative Study of Behavioral Adjustment in Adopted Chinese children with and without special needs*

**110** - **Maite Roman**, Jesús Palacios, Yolanda Sánchez-Sandoval & Esperanza León (University of Seville, Spain) - *Physical development of children adopted internationally and its relation to psychological development*

### **Poster symposium 4 – Adoption and identity**

**50** – **Jan Fertig** (Milwaukee School of Engineering, USA) - *Adoptee Identity and Self-Concept. A Moderated Relationship*

**60** – **Kathy Mason** (Newcastle University, UK) - *Biography and Heritage. The challenges faced by parents of recognising their child's birth culture*

**104** – **Wei Cao** (University of Michigan-Flint, USA)- *Navigating in the land of unknown: How children adopted from China construct their identities*

**79** - **Lynn Von Korff**, Harold D. Grotevant & Martha A Rueter (University of Minnesota) - *Adolescent Adoptive Identity and Psychological Adjustment*

**28** - **Sue Song** (University of Minnesota) - *Impact of Cultural Socialization Experiences on Ethnic Identity Development of Korean Transracial Adoptees: Based on reports from Adult Korean Adoptees on their experiences from Childhood to Adulthood*

**25** – **L. Dianne Borders** (The University of North Carolina, USA), Dr. Judith M. Penny (President, University Research Associates, Jamestown, USA), Ms. Francie Portnoy (Private Practice Adoption Services Greensboro, USA) - *Adopted Adults: Their Psychosocial Functioning and Reflections about Being Adopted*

## **Poster symposium 5 – Birth family connections (contact, search and reunion)**

**56 – Lisa Barbanell Johnson & Scott D. Ryan** (Florida State University, USA) - *Openness in Adoptions – Comparing Adoptive Parent and Adoptive Adolescents' Experiences*

**76 - Janette Logan** (University of Manchester, UK) - *Agency involvement in post adoption contact; the experiences of adoptive parents*

**90 - Jacqueline Dally** (University of York, UK) - *Contact or no contact in the context of post-adoption family life and relationships*

**103 – Carol Smith** (University of Manchester, UK) – *Post-Adoption Contact: Conceptualising Complex Qualitative Data*

**24 – Fiona E. Kyle** (University of Cambridge, UK) John Triseliotis (University of Edinburgh, UK) & Julia Feast Association for Adoption and Fostering (BAAF) - *Seeking and sought birth mothers: exploring differences in their experiences and perspectives of the adoption, search and reunion process*

**49 - Stephanie Mosher** (University of Minnesota, USA)- *A Case Study and Historical Analysis of Minnesota's Policies on Access to Adoption Records*

## **Poster symposium 6 – Supporting placements**

**1 - Eunice Lumsden** (The University of Northampton, UK)- *Shaping Practice: an evaluative research project exploring the development of an adoptive parents' consultation group*

**36 - Hyang-Eun Kim** (Kosin University, Korea) - *Open Adoption in a Traditionally Closed Society - Problems and Needs for Post Adoption Services*

**46 - Bernedo, LM, M J Fuentes & M Fernandez-Molina** (Malaga University, Spain) - *The social, economic and emotional support given to grandparents with grandchildren in their custody*

**68 - Elizabeth Rienzi** (University of Oregon, USA)& Laura C. Hofer (Holt International Children's Services, USA) - *Building a New Community. Post-Adoption Services for Transracial Adoptees and their Families*

**16 - Leslie Leve, Phil Fisher and Patricia Chamberlain** (Oregon Social Learning Center)- *Improving Child Outcomes with Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care*

**31 - Jane E. Newell** (University of Minnesota, USA) - *Strengthening Communication in Families who Adopt Older Children*

**100 - Behnaz Pakizegi** (Wm. Paterson University Wayne, USA) - *Single Parent Adoptions & Clinical Implications*

**35 – Hollee McGillis** (Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute, New York)- *Beyond Culture Camp: Promoting Healthy Identity Formation in Adoption*

## **Poster symposium 7 – Developmental outcomes for adoptees**

**53c - Kristin Schneider** (University of Minnesota, USA) - *Academic achievement in adoptive families: What we are learning*

**63 – Kyoung Ok Seol** (University of Minnesota, USA) - *A Comparison Study of Orphanage Children in Korea and Korean Adoptees in the U.S.*

**62 - Nina Forsten-Lindman** (Åbo Akademi University, Finland) - *Psychosocial well-being of domestic and intercountry adoptees in Finland*

**71 - Deborah A. Hwa-Froelich** (Saint Louis University, USA) - *Communication and Symbolic Behavior Development in Adopted Infants from China*

**30 - Elizabeth Nixon, Sheila Greene, Ruth Kelly, Zosia Borska, Aoife Daly & Greg Kelly** (Children's Research Centre, Trinity College Dublin). - *Inter-country Adoption in Ireland: Some preliminary findings on outcomes for pre-school children*

**106 - Yolanda Sanchez-Sandoval** (University of Sevilla, Spain) - *Self esteem and life satisfaction in adopted adolescents*

**108- Daniela Barni** (Catholic University of Milan, Italy), **Esperanza León** (University of Seville, Spain), **Rosa Rosnati** (Catholic University of Milan, Italy) & **Jesús Palacios** (University of Seville, Spain) - *Behavioural and socio-emotional adjustment in international adoptees: A comparison between Italian and Spanish adoptive parents' reports*

## **Poster symposium 8 – Adoptive parenting - developmental perspectives**

**29 - Nuria Fuentes Peláez** (Universitat de Barcelona, Spain) - *The challenge of family adjustment in a group of international adoptees in Catalonia*

**47 - Rosa Rosnati & Daniela Barni** (Catholic University of Milan, Italy) - *Being a father. A comparison between adoptive and non-adoptive families with school-aged children*

**107 - Esperanza Leon , Jesús Palacios, Yolanda Sánchez-Sandoval & Maite Román** (University of Sevilla, Spain) - *Initial Adversity and later recovery in children adopted internationally: A family and developmental perspective*

**58 - Kristine Freeark, Katherine L. Rosenblum** (University of Michigan, USA) - *Child Emotion Regulation, Parenting, and Child Behavior Problems in Families with Internationally Adopted Children*

**48 - Ondina Greco** (Catholic University, Milan, Italy) - *Adoptive Parenting: An Instrument For a Potential Psychological Child Integration*