European psychology map

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Abstract

The Institute for Psychology Information (ZPID) compiled an extensive list of European psychological organizations, comprised of university departments, research institutions, professional associations and publishing houses. The list is available on the ZPID website, together with a web mapping applet that indicates the exact geographical location of the organizations.

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The Institute for Psychology Information (ZPID) in Trier supports the European scientific and professional cooperation of psychologists. For this reason, ZPID has collected information about the actors of the European psychology research and practice, in order to provide it to any person interested in finding a collaboration partner in his own or in another country in Europe. The information refers to four types of organizations: psychological associations and societies, university institutes and departments of psychology, as well as non-university research institutions that conduct activities in the field of psychology and publishing houses specialized in psychological subjects.
The data is easily accessible, free of charge, on the ZPID English web-page\(^2\), in the menu Internet > Institutions. On this page, called “Psychology in Europe”, the user has the possibility to choose from a list of European countries and also to select the type of organization that he/she is interested in, from the four available types. Once this selection is made, a list of the organizations in that specific country is presented to the user. For two types of organizations, i.e. the non-university research institutions and the specialized publishing houses, the contact data is provided in form of their internet address. More contact details are available for university institutes and psychological association: besides the hyperlink to the web-site, the list contains the postal address, the phone and fax number, the e-mail address and, in certain cases, also the name of a contact person.

For those organizations whose address is listed, our site provides the possibility to locate their geographical position, as a point on a map, with the help of an integrated Google Maps application. A link called “Show on map”, available for each organization whose address can be found on Google Maps, sends the user to a detailed map view of the respective institute location. Thus the opportunity is offered to contact the organization not only from a distance, by phone or by the virtual means of the internet, but also physically, by visiting its headquarters.

At present, the European psychology list contains information about 1640 organizations in 49 countries. The list is continuously updated and extended, with the aim to represent a useful resource for psychologists and for all those interested in psychology in their professional and research work.

Together with information about European psychological organizations, ZPID has also drawn up a list, by country, of European journals with psychological or psychology related content. The list is not yet accessible on the site of the institute, but it is available on request.\(^3\)

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\(^2\) The hyperlink of the website is: http://www.zpid.de/PsychologyInEurope

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