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Dear colleagues and students,

This newsletter provides particular good news from the Faculty of Psychology: The funding for the FWF Project "**The psychological is political. A recent history of feminist psychology in Vienna, 1972-2000**" by Ass.-Prof. Dr. Nora Ruck has been granted!

A project report, especially interesting for Psychotherapy Science, is presented by Mag. Philipp Petersen from the **Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Health Technology Assessment**. The project deals with the effectiveness and legal regulations of psychotherapy and disputes unanswered questions in psychotherapeutic research.

Our **publication data base** contains publications from 2010 on. June 29th the **1001st publication** was released! The development of publications in the academic year 2016/17 shows a significant increase of publications in peer-reviewed journals. In this context, I may once again remind you of your submissions to the publication and research project database. It is shown that these two databases significantly contribute to the visibility of our research activities in the scientific community as well as in the media.

In addition to publications contributions of SFU scientific staff members of all faculties to congresses and scientific conferences are essential for SFU's presence and visibility in the Scientific Community. So it is important to make these contributions also accessible in the Internet, therefore I implemented a subsite on the SFU research website, where the **contributions to conferences and congresses** are listed. (<https://forschung.sfu.ac.at/de/beitraege-zu-kongressen-tagungen/>)

I kindly ask you to report your contributions, starting from 01.09.2017 to forschung@sfu.ac.at and keep it updated. Vice-Rectorate Research starts listing the data for the academic year 2017/18. Please use the list of 2016/17 as a template for the required information about your congress/conference contributions. Thank you in advance!

Enjoy the summer!

Univ.-Prof. Dr. Brigitte Sindelar
Vice-Rector Research

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1. FWF funding for the project „The psychological is political. A recent history of feminist psychology“ granted!

Faculty of Psychology is delighted to announce: research funding has been granted by FWF (Österreichischer Fonds zur Förderung wissenschaftlicher Forschung, P 30495-G29) at the request of Ass.-Prof. Dr. Nora Ruck for the project *The psychological is political. A recent history of feminist psychology in Vienna, 1972-2000*.

Project runtime: 3 yrs

Funds granted: € 300.684,30

Ass.-Prof. Dr. Nora Ruck reports:

Project description

“In 2016, Austria ranked 53rd in the international Global Gender Gap Report, losing 15 ranks from 2015. This development needs to be countered on many levels including science. In order to reach real gender equality in Austrian society it is indispensable that the psychological dimensions of gender inequality be addressed in at least three ways: First, the psychological reasons for women and men not to counter gender discrimination need to be studied scientifically. Second, the consequences of gender inequalities for the psychological health and wellbeing of those affected must be understood scientifically. And third, these psychological consequences need to be addressed by psychosocial services that take into account the social dimension of psychological suffering. There is no need to invent these approaches anew because in Austria - like in other places - there is a wealth of knowledge on all these three layers that need only be excavated, documented, and made available to a larger public, which is precisely what the proposed project aims to do. “The Psychological is Political” aims to analyze how knowledge about the psychological dimensions of gender discrimination developed in Vienna between 1972 and 2000. In the early 1970s, activists of the women’s movement began examining the conditions and psychological effects of discrimination against women. Observing how inequality or discrimination caused harm, activists were soon offering specialized counseling and psychotherapy. In the course of time, this focus was broadened to include the lives and experiences of those who do not comply with heterosexuality or who do not identify as the sex they were assigned at birth. While the history of knowledge production about the psychological conditions and consequences of gender inequality is well documented particularly in the USA, Canada and Great Britain, there is strikingly little literature on the subject in the German-speaking countries. This project is designed to fill this gap. It is our contention that knowledge about the psychological dimension of gender inequality, for example, has burgeoned in Austria especially since the late 1970s, only that for various

reasons it has not been able to gain a foothold in academia. Through archival research and oral history interviews, we will reconstruct how this knowledge was used and produced in Vienna, in feminist consciousness-raising groups (e.g., AUF Aktion Unabhängiger Frauen and at so-called 'Volkshochschulen'), in women's counseling and information centers (e.g., Frauen beraten Frauen, Peregrina, Lefö, Ninlil), and at the Department of Psychology at the University of Vienna from 1972 until the the year 2000. In our analysis, we will focus on the institutional and social context of psychological knowledge about the psychological conditions and consequences of gender inequality in order to get a sense of the conditions that have facilitated or hindered the development of knowledge about the psychological dimensions of gender inequality."

Congratulations!

2. Non-University Research: Psychotherapy – effect factors and legal regulations

Mag. Philipp Petersen, Assistant to the Director of Division Communications & Knowledge Management at Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Health Technology Assessment reports on a psychotherapy research project conducted by Boltzmann Institute:

"Relevant psychotherapy research is conducted in non-university institutions as well.

Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Health Technology Assessment (LBI-HTA) has published a recent research report on:

- effectiveness of psychotherapy
- effect factors of psychotherapy
- legal regulations concerning recognition of psychotherapeutic methods in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

The project was issued by the Austrian social insurance carrier (Hauptverband der österreichischen Sozialversicherungsträger).

Mental illness is increasingly a societal issue. According to World Health Organization's (WHO) Global Burden of Disease Study, mental illnesses are among the main causes of illness-related impairments. Psychotherapy plays a key role in the care for people with mental disorders.

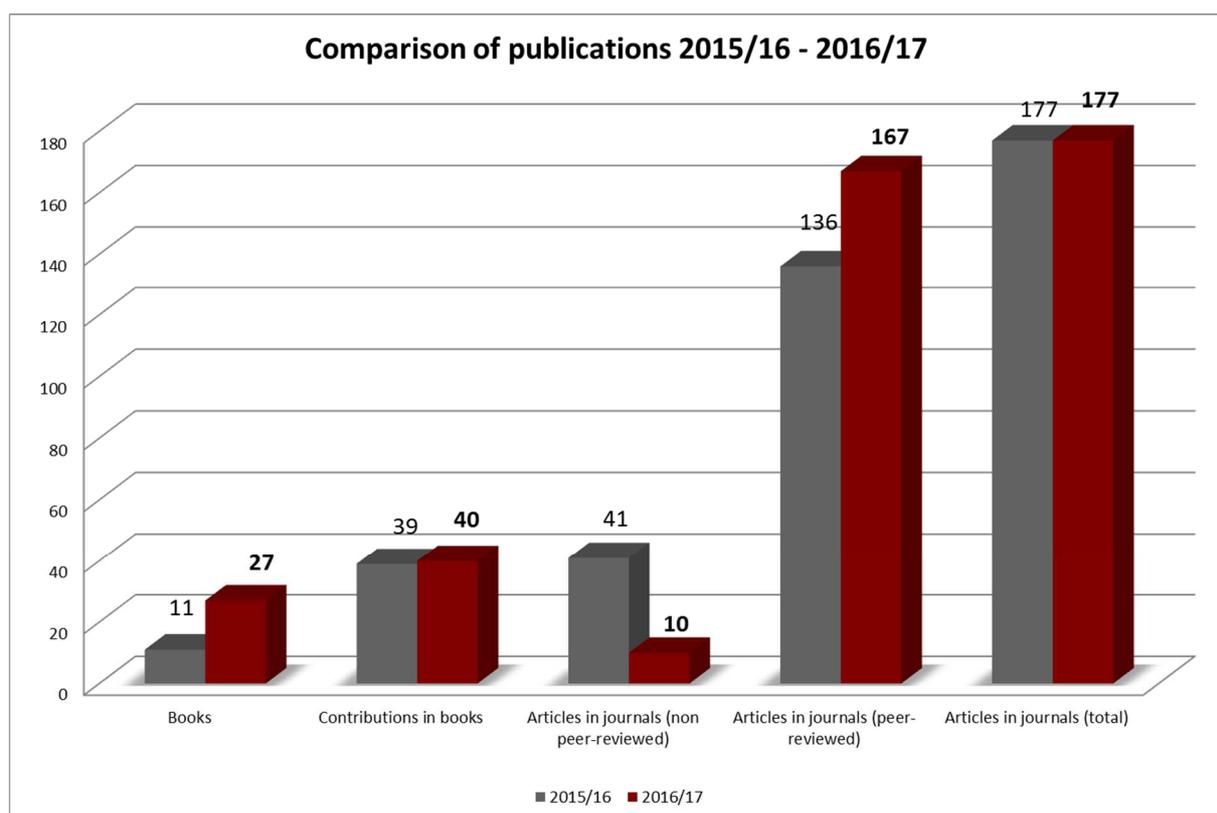
In order to answer those questions, systematic literature research and search for key publications have been carried out. Research was supplemented with targeted hand searches for relevant and recent literature on websites of institutions and professional societies. Furthermore, a semi-structured interview with three speakers from the Joint Federal Committee (Gemeinsamer Bundesausschuss - G-BA) has been conducted. The presentation of the results was based on a narrative-descriptive synthesis of literature resources.

Summary: a distinction between general and specific therapy effect factors can be made, where general effect factors are attributed with higher impact on psychotherapy outcome (therapeutic effect). Due to heterogenous legislation in the German-speaking countries demands and prerequisites for recognition of new psychotherapeutic methods differ significantly. Legal requirements for professional psychotherapy-practice are regulated differently as well (e.g.: training requirements). “

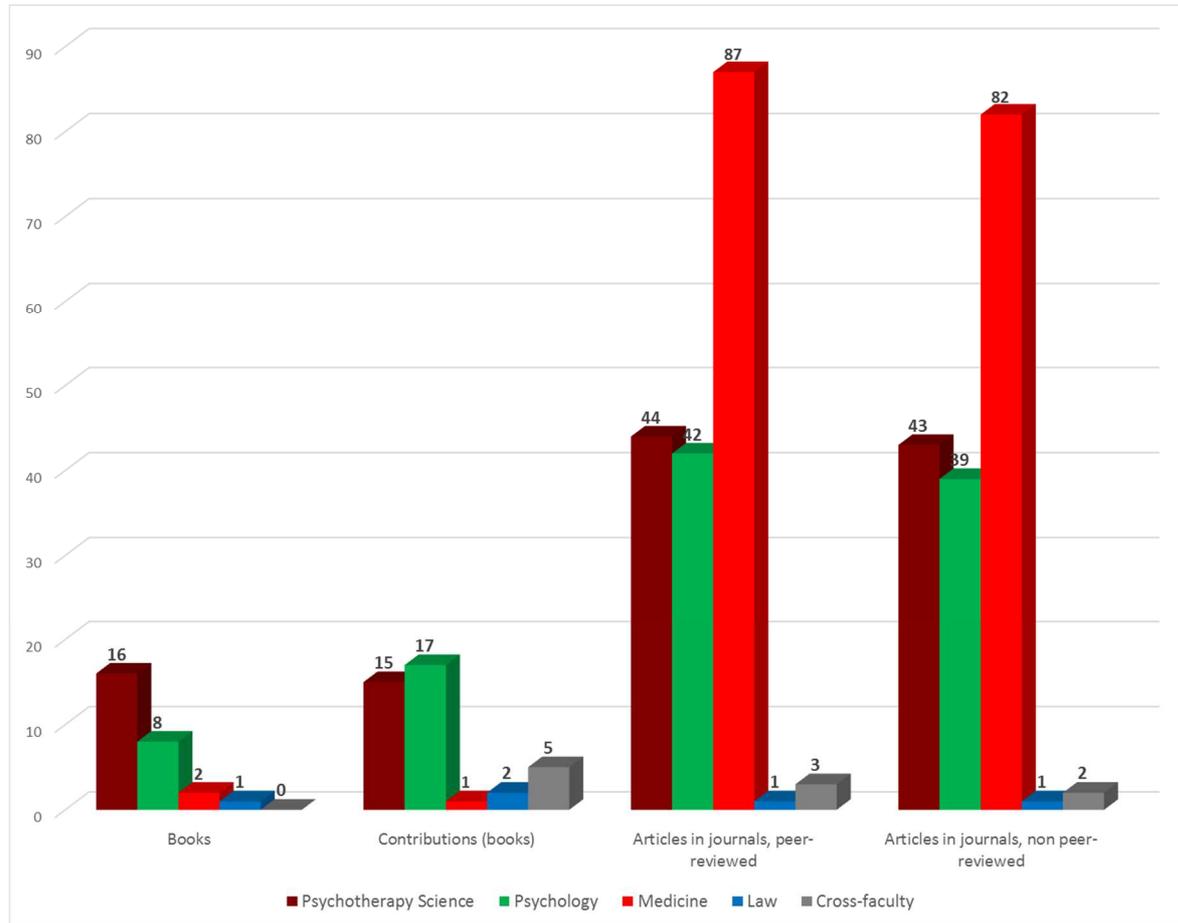
LBI-HTA / AT 2017: Psychotherapie – Begriffe, Wirkfaktoren und ein deutschsprachiger Ländervergleich zu gesetzlichen Regelungen. HTA-Projektbericht 93. [english translation: „Psychotherapy – terms, effect factors and comparison of legal regulations in German-speaking countries] <http://eprints.hta.lbg.ac.at/1143/>

3. Publication development: academic year 2016/17

Within reporting period (01.09.2016 – 31.08.2017), 244 scientific publications were published. The largest increase compared to last year shows up in the category „articles in journals, peer-reviewed“, driven by Faculty of Medicine (+31). Additionally, there is an increase in the category „books“, driven by the Faculty of Psychotherapy Science (+16). Publications of the type „articles in journals, non-peer-reviewed“ have decreased significantly (-31) compared to last year.



The distribution of publications across different categories clearly shows that the largest proportion of publications is located in the category “articles in journals, peer-reviewed”. This statement is true for almost each SFU faculty:



4. SFU Online Journals

SFU Research Bulletin

ISSN 2308-0795; <http://journals.sfu.ac.at/index.php/sfufb>

Chief editors: Univ.-Prof. Dr. Brigitte SINDELAR (Vice-Rector Research), Ass. Prof. Dr. Martin JANDL

Editorial assistant: Mag. Manfred REISINGER

In Summer Term 2018 a special issue: „IDENTITY IN THE MAKING: Cultural organization of the self“, edited by Univ.-Prof. Dr. Meike Watzlawick, Dominik Stefan Mihalits MSc. , Univ. Prof. Dr. Jaan Valsiner has been published. Authors of the articles are students of SFU Berlin, supervised and guided by the editors.

<https://doi.org/10.15135/2018.6.1>

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Special Issue

IDENTITY IN THE MAKING: Cultural organization of the self

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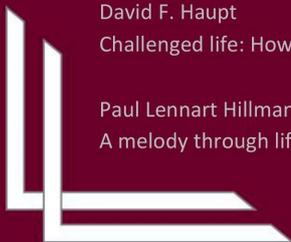
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Monitoring of access statistics within the reporting period

Number of hits: 19.419 , Average session: 4:29 min.

Visitors' geographical distribution: Austria (43,66%), Germany (19,52%), USA (6,41%), Switzerland and Great Britain (4,28% each). The spread of the international distribution is remarkable (see figure 1):

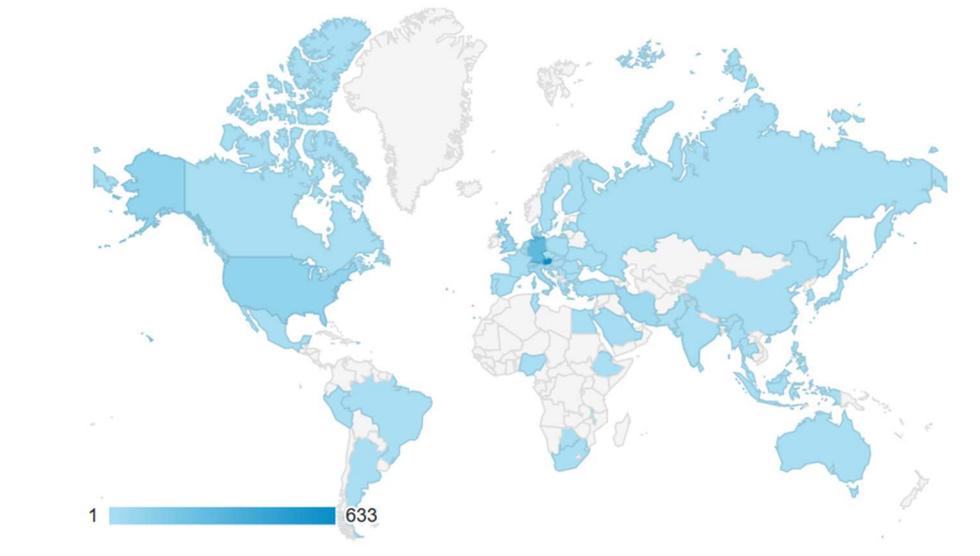


Figure 1: Visitors' geographical distribution of accesses: SFU Research Bulletin (online Journal)

Junior Researchers' Corner

In the SFU Research Bulletin issue to come, a Junior Researchers' Corner will be launched. Pre-scientific publications of students, supervised by Dr.ⁱⁿ Kathrin Mörtl, Faculty Psychotherapy Science, can be submitted.

Journal for psychoanalytic research and individual psychology

ISSN 2313-4267; <http://journals.sfu.ac.at/index.php/zfpfi>

Editorial team are the members of the SFU Individual Psychology Training management team, Mag. Dr. Dorothea OBEREGELSBACHER, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Bernd RIEKEN, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Brigitte SINDELAR, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas STEPHENSON.

Book Review Section (responsible): Mag. Dr. Gabriele PAP

Editorial assistant: Mag. Manfred REISINGER.

In summer term 2018 Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas STEPHENSON was editor of the issue: „Relationalität und Partizipation“. Three scientific articles and one review has been published <https://doi.org/10.15136/2018.5.1>

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Monitoring of access statistics within the reporting period

Number of hits: 16.625 , Average session: 4:07 min.

Visitors' geographical distribution: Austria (45,28 %), Germany (24,60 %), USA(6,5 %), Italy (5,59 %) and Switzerland (2,45 %). The spread of the international distribution is remarkable (see figure 2):

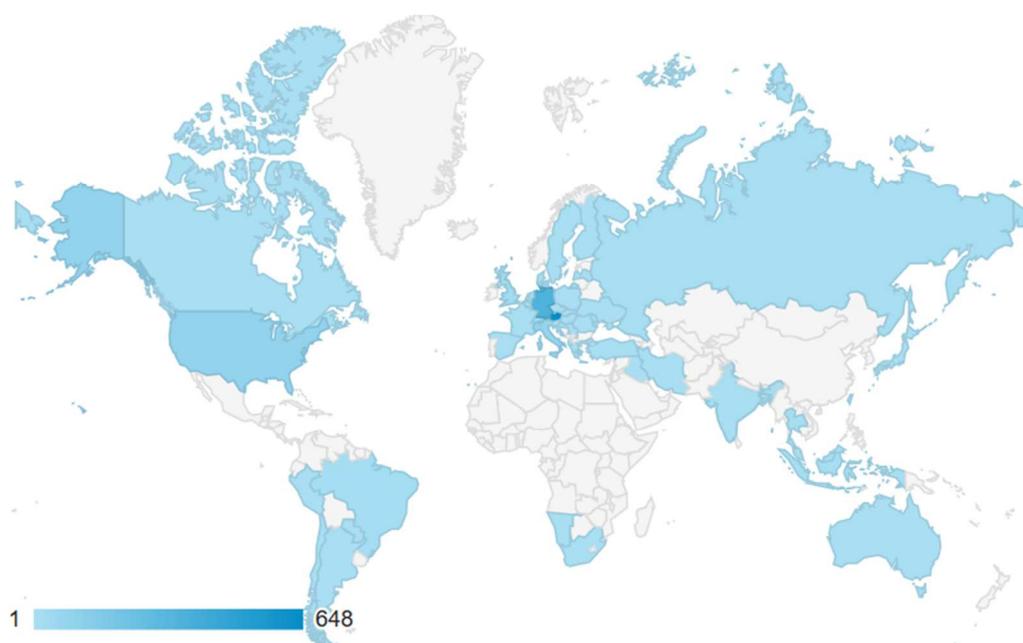


Figure 2: Visitors' geographical distribution of accesses: Journal for psychoanalytic research and individual psychology

5. Call: Students' Research Award

Every semester the „Students Research Award“ has been awarded by the SFU Rectorate to students of all academic programmes (Psychology, Psychotherapy Science) who actively presented their research work at a scientific congress (lecture or poster presentation). The winner(s) of the SFU Student Research Awards receive a tuition reduction of 500 Euros for the following semester.

From July 2018 on, Dr. Erzsebet TOTH is responsible for issues regarding Students' Research Award. Please submit your application to: : researchaward@sfu.ac.at. Submissions for summer term 2018 will be accepted until 15th of July 2018.

6. 1001 publication recorded in our publication database!

The database contains publications of the scientific staff since 2010.

On June 29th the 1001st publication was released!

Your submissions of your publications with SFU-affiliation and your research projects foster the visibility of scientific activities of SFU and serve as the data base for the accreditation board. Therefore I again ask you to keep your submissions up to date.

Each entry is checked by the team of Vice Rectorate Research in terms of correctness and completeness before it is released to the data base. This checking takes place every day, also on weekends. We try to find missing information and complete entries and correct mistakes without bothering you but just come back to you if we are unable to find the required information.

It has been shown that both databases have attracted media attention: journalists of respected media have been requesting interviews on research projects referring to presentations within the Research Project Database.

Please check whether all of your publications with indicated SFU-affiliation starting 2010 are registered by entering your name into the filter system! In case you want to add publications but don't have an account yet, please contact forschung@sfu.ac.at and name the e-mail address you want to be registered with. Registration will be performed immediately. User manuals will be sent to you by Vice-Rectorate Research to enable a smooth input.

<https://forschung.sfu.ac.at/en/>



In 2018, reference date July 5th, 2018, 56 publications in total were entered:

Faculty Psychotherapy Science: 10

Faculty Psychology: 13

Faculty Medicine: 28

Faculty Law: 5

PLEASE, SUBMIT YOUR PUBLICATIONS!

Reminder: Admission of publications to the CVs on the SFU website

The assignment of your publications to your personal profile on SFU website (<https://www.sfu.ac.at/en/staff-search/>) is implemented in two formats:

1. Your SFU-affiliated publications from 2010 which are registered in the database are directly linked to your person. By this your list of publications is automatically updated, as soon as you submit a new entry in the publication database. Ms. Veronika Neubauer is working on the implementation of these links.
 2. We will appreciate to present your publications before 2010 and/or non-SFU-affiliated publications in the frame of your personal profile at the website. Please send your list of publications according to APA Sixth for psychotherapy science and psychology, to the profession-specific citation forms for medicine and law as a word document to: forschung@sfu.ac.at. Then the list will also be linked to your personal profile.
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