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President's Message

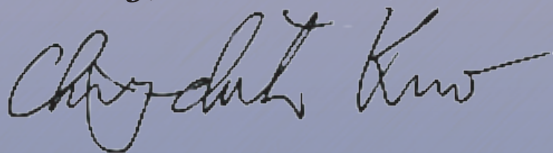
Dear Members and Colleagues,

Welcome to the third issue of the APFG newsletter. In this edition, you will find most up to date information for the coming 14th Asia-Pacific Conference on Giftedness in Macau and 2016 Asia-Pacific Forum for Science Talented in Taipei. We hope you will join us and enjoy the exciting conference programs.

Please also mark your calendar and plan to attend the face-to-face APFG meetings: General Assembly next Tuesday 12th July and Delegate Meetings next Wednesday 13th July. Agenda items of the General Assembly include (a) opening of the session by the president of APFG, (b) presentation of the auditor's report and the bank statement by the Treasurer, (c) presentation of the membership figures updated by the Secretary, (d) consider de-registering of the company in Hong Kong, (e) consider increasing in membership fees, and (f) any other business. Please inform the Secretary of the APFG, Professor Ugur Sak or Executive Committee Members before 11th July 2016 if you have matters to present under any other business of the agenda. Please also submit names of delegates to the Secretary of the APFG or Executive Committee Members before the end of the General Assembly. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Once again, thank you for your continued support and involvement with APFG. We look forward to the biennial gathering next week in Macau and meeting you soon.

Sincerely,



2014-2016 APFG President



Final Announcement of the 14th Asia-Pacific Conference on



Time \ Date	Arrival Day (July 11)	Day 1 (July 12)	Day 2 (July 13)		Day 3 (July 14)		Day 4 (July 15)	
08:30	Arrival + Pick up (Check in: 1600)	Breakfast	Breakfast		Breakfast			
09:00								
09:30		Registration	Course II (3hrs)		Course III (3hrs)		Breakfast	
10:00			Science E33- learning common	Mathematics E33-G021	Mathematics E33-G021	Science E33- learning common	Panda Pavilion	
10:30		Opening Ceremony E4-G078 Keynote: Prof. Bonnie Cramond Prof. Ng Tai Kai	Grade 4 – 6 / Senior Primary	Grade 7 -9 / Junior High	Grade 4 – 6 / Senior Primary	Grade 7 – 9/ Junior High		
11:00								
11:30								
12:00						Closing Ceremony E4-G078		
12:30		Grouping + Warm up	Lunch		Lunch		Lunch	
13:00								
13:30		Lunch	Science Museum		City Tour “World Heritage Sites”		Time to Say Goodbye ~	
14:00								
14:30		Course I (3hrs)						
15:00								
15:30		Music E31-theatre						
16:00								
16:30								
17:00								
17:30		Welcome Party Fortune Inn (2.5 hrs)	Language Night E3-1043, E3-1044, E3-2033, E3-2041, E3-2043 (2.5 hrs)		Macau Night			
18:00~19:30	Dinner				Dinner			
19:30~22:00								



**14th Asia Pacific
Conference on Giftedness**
第十四屆亞太資優教育大會
12-15 July 2016, University of Macau

Program & Abstracts

Tuesday 12 th Jul 2016 @E4- Anthony Lau Building, University of Macau	
08:30-14:00	Registration@ Lobby of E4-Anthony Lau Building
09:00-12:00	Workshop 1“Twice Exceptionality: See the potential, light up the future” Organizer: Susan Prior @E4-G051
09:00-12:00	Workshop 2:“PRODUCING EXCELLENCE - how it’s work?” Organizer: Dr. Hab. Izabela Wagner@E4-G053
12:00-14:00	Lunch@E5-Food Paradise 1 st Floor
14:00-14:30	Opening Ceremony @E4-G078 Chair: Prof. Xitao Fan, Dean of Faculty of Education, University of Macau 1. Representative from Macao Government 2. Prof. Wei Zhao, Rector, University of Macau 3. Prof. Ching-Chih Kuo, President, Asia Pacific Federation on Giftedness Prize Presentation Group Photo of VIP Guests Student Show
14:30-15:30	Keynote 1: Seven Principles of Talent Development for Effective Gifted Education Dr. Rena F. Subotnik @E4-G078
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby
16:00-17:00	Keynote 2: An analytical model for creativity development -- the Iceberg model Prof. Jiannong Shi @E4-G078
17:00-18:00	APFG General Assembly @E4-G078
18:30-20:30	Welcome Dinner N1 (Fortune Inn Restaurant)



Wednesday 13 th Jul 2016 @E4- Anthony Lau Building, University of Macau				
09:00-10:00	Keynote 3 How Close Are Newton's Apple and Jobs' Apple to Cezanne's Apple? Prof. Bonnie Cramond @E4-G078			
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby			
10:30-13:00	Workshop 3 "Curriculum innovation, enactment and pedagogical practices for high ability learners: Framework for Research and Practice" Organizer: Liang See TAN & Letchmi Devi PONNUSAMY@E4-G051			
10:30-13:00	Workshop 4: "Labeling gifted students: Do they like it? When and when not?" Organizer: Dr Paromita Roy@E4-G053			
10:30-12:50	Parallel Session (20 minutes each)			
	Session	PS1* 7 Talks	PS2* 7 Talks	PS3* 7 Talks
	Room	@E4-G062	@E4-G068	@E4-G078
13:00-14:00	Lunch @E5-Food Paradise 1 st Floor			
14:00-15:00	Keynote 5: The Art of Feedback: Neuroeducational Perspective on Learning and Motivation Prof. Sung-il Kim @E4-G078			
15:00-15:30	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby			
15:30-18:10	Parallel Session (20 minutes each)			
	Session	PS4* 8 Talks	PS5* 8 Talks	PS6* 8 Talks
	Room	@E4-G062	@E4-G068	@E4-G078
15:30-18:00	Workshop 5: "Research-based Teaching Models: The Spark for Engaging Gifted Learners" Organizer: Kimberley L. Chandler, Ph.D., The College of William and Mary@E4-G051			
15:30-18:00	Symposium: "Critical Assessment of Gifted Education in Asia: What We Have Found" Prof. David Yun Dai @E4-G053			
18:10-19:00	APFG Country & Region Delegates Meeting @E4-G078			



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09:00-10:00	Keynote 6: Being Gifted in The East and The West Prof. Joan Freeman @E4-G078			
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby			
10:30-12:30	Parallel Session (20 minutes each)			
	Session	PS7* 6 Talks	PS8* 6 Talks	PS9* 6 Talks
	Room	@E4-G062	@E4-G068	@E4-G078
10:30-12:30	Workshop 6: "Parenting the Gifted: Growing up journeys and valuable experience of the Hong Kong parents and gifted children" Organizer: Helen Siu-Yin Yu-Ku @E4-G053			
12:30-14:00	Lunch @E5-Food Paradise 1 st Floor			
14:00-15:00	Keynote 7: PISA, Rocket Boys, and Looking for 1871, Chicago: Where Asian Students Are Falling Short, and What We Can Do About It Prof. David Yun Dai @E4-G078			
15:00-15:30	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby			
15:30-18:10	Parallel Session (20 minutes each)			
	Session	PS11* 8 Talks	PS12* 8 Talks	PS13*8 Talks
	Room	@E4-G062	@E4-G068	@E4-G078
15:30-18:00	Workshop 7: Creative Prof. Jiannong Shi @E4- G051			
15:30-18:00	Symposium: "Critical Assessment of Gifted Education in Asia: What We Have Found" Prof. David Yun Dai @E4-G053			
18:10-19:00	15 th APCG 2018 Bidding Presentation @E4-G051			

Friday 15 th Jul 2016 @E4- Anthony Lau Building, University of Macau	
09:00-10:00	Keynote 8: "What the Brain Studies Tell Us? Neuropsychological Mechanism of Science Talented Learners?" Prof. Ching-chih Kuo @E4-G078
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break @E4-Lobby
10:30-11:30	Poster Presentation @E4-Lobby
11:30-12:30	Closing Ceremony @E4-G078
14:00-17:00	Educational Visit



Educational Visit

Teachers & educators will spend half day (Friday, 15 July, 2016) visiting educational centers and schools around Macao. These Educational Visits are designed to help participants understand and analyze the Macao infrastructure and development programs for the gifted and talented children. Educational sites visit will include schools, libraries, and Science Centers.

Date	Friday, 15 July, 2016
Time	14:00 to 17:00
Location	University of Macau; Macao Science Center & Schools in Macao For more information about Macao Science Center, please visit http://www.msc.org.mo/ USD 20 per person

Welcome Reception Dinner

Date	Tuesday, 12 July 2016
Time	18:30 - Welcome Reception “The night of Macau”
Venue Location	Fortune Inn Restaurant, N1-University of Macau
Attendance	Conference attendees, included in the registration fee

Opening Ceremony

Date	Tuesday, 12 July 2016
Time	14:00 - Opening Ceremony
Venue Location	University of Macau
Attendance	Conference attendees

Announcement of the 2016 Asia-Pacific Forum for Science Talented

Announcement of the 2016 Asia-Pacific Forum for Science Talented in Taiwan

Ching-Chih Kuo, Tsung-Hau Jen, I-Ming Li, Pei-Jung Chou
National Taiwan Normal University

The Asia-Pacific Forum for Science Talented (APFst) brings together students and teachers to promote scientific and cultural understanding and social awareness through dialogue and cooperation.

The 2016 event will be held from Tuesday 19th to Sunday 24th July at the National Taiwan Normal University campus. Focused on the theme “Problem Solving of Future Scientists”, this 6-day event provides middle high school students with opportunities to brainstorm ideas, work collaboratively and creatively, meet new friends, and share cultures.

Participants are 12-16 year-old students proficient or interested in science and teachers with passion about meeting the needs of gifted and talented students from China, Denmark, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, Russia, Vietnam, and Taiwan.

The 2016 APFst event will begin with the Opening Ceremony and multicultural show by the attending students on Tuesday the 19th July. Each country/region will be performing 5 minutes showing his/her amazing cultural performance.

We are proud and excited to announce that Professor Joseph S. Renzulli and Professor Seokhee Cho will be the keynote speaker on Wednesday the 20th July. Professor Joseph S. Renzulli is a leader and pioneer in gifted education and applying the pedagogy of gifted education teaching strategies to all students. The American Psychological Association named him among the 25 most influential psychologists in the world. His keynote address “Co-cognitive Traits and Social Capital” will focus on two types of co-cognitive characteristics. The first type deals with various ways that we can develop traits such as courage, optimism, a sense of power to change things, vision and a sense of destiny, and the ability to fall in love with a topic or discipline. The second type deals with the executive functions that are necessary for taking action in creative problem solving situations. These traits include an action orientation, social interaction, realistic self-assessment, and awareness for the needs of others.

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Professor Seokhee Cho is the Director of the Center for Creativity and Gifted Education, St. John's University, U.S.A. She has written numerous books and articles on creative problem solving and gifted education. Her keynote address "Dream it, Do it: Embrace Challenges and Creativity" will discuss about how our scientifically talented adolescent students can become creative and productive professionals in their 40s and throughout.

After the keynote speeches, there will be student forum and hand-on project sessions for the student delegates, teacher forum session for the teacher delegates, and cultural visit for all participants.

The multinational team-based student forum and hand-on project sessions will occur simultaneously but provide different activities for participating students. In both the student forum and hand-on project subgroups, registered students will be divided into transnational teams. Each team will be made up of 5-6 students from different countries/regions. These two activities enable the student delegates with chances to communicate with students from other countries/regions, learn how to overcome language obstacles and collaborate, work in teams to build a project or create a product within a specific time limit, and to have fun in the process.

Evaluation criteria for the student forum session will include but not limited to originality of presentation, connection between science and future society needs, and communication of concept and presentation. Evaluation criteria for the hand-on project session will include but not limited to originality of product, connection to the theme, communication of concept, appropriate application of science, and proven functionality. The winning team members will receive award certificates and gifts.

Teacher forum provides the teacher delegates with a chance to share ideas on how to cultivate student's scientific problem-solving skills. Each country/region will have a 10-minute presentation, followed by a 5-minute discussion. Referees are invited to listen to the presentation and give feedbacks.

Cultural visits include visits to night markets and Taipei 101. A vibrant night market experience is a must for any traveler, where participants can sample authentic Taiwanese food and better understand the Taiwan culture. The highlight of visit to Taipei 101 is to ride one of the world's fastest elevators, going 84 floors in 37 seconds, and to enjoy the view of Taipei City from 360 degrees around.

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There will also be a full day field trip on 21st July providing an out-of-classroom learning experience for the student delegates and allowing participants to explore the beauty of I-Lan and the richness of Taiwanese cultures.

The APFst will be closed by inviting the competition winning teams to present their projects and be honored at the award ceremony on Sunday the 24th July.

More information about this 2016 APFst can be found on Facebook fan page at <https://goo.gl/xSzxKX>. If you are interested in sending a team consisting of 2 teachers and 6 students aged 13-16 for future APFst events, please contact Professor Ching-Chih Kuo, the Chair of the Organizing Committee of the APFst. Professor Kuo can be reached at kaykuo@ntnu.edu.tw.



Notice of APFG Meetings in Macau

Meeting Venue:

E4-Anthony Lau Building, University of Macau

University of Macau, Avenida da Universidade, Hengqin Campus, Macau SAR

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2016	Scheduled Meetings
Monday 11th July	First ExCo Meeting, 5 p.m. at Holiday Inn, Macau
Tuesday 12th July	APFG General Assembly, 17:00-18:00 at E4-G078 All existing and new members are invited to the General Assembly. Please inform the Secretary of the APFG or Executive Committee Members before 11 th July 2016 if you have matters to present under any other business of the agenda. Please also submit names of delegates to the Secretary of the APFG or Executive Committee Members before the end of the meeting. DRAFT AGENDA (proposed by ExCo members 2014-2016) 1. Opening of the session by the President of APFG 2. Presentation of the auditor's report and the bank statement by the Treasurer 3. Presentation of the membership figures updated by the Secretary 4. Consider de-registering of the company in Hong Kong 5. Consider increasing in membership fees 6. Any other Business
Wednesday 13th July	APFG Delegates Meeting, 18:10-19:00 at E4-G078 The delegates will meet to hear reports from current ExCo members and elect new ExCo members 2016-2018.
Thursday 14th July	15th APCG 2018 Bidding Presentation, 18:10-19:00 at E4-G051 The ExCo members will meet to listen to the bid presentations to host APCG 2018 and vote for the location of the APCG 2018. The successful bidder will be invited to present their proposal on Friday 15 th July at the closing ceremony of the 2016 APCG.

Mark your calendar – we look forward to seeing you!

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