



International Council on Shared Parenting (ICSP)

Lutheran University of Applied Science Nuremberg



International Conference on Shared Parenting 2015

Best Practices for Legislative and Psycho-Social Implementation

Bonn, Germany, 9-11 December 2015

Preliminary Program

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Conference Venue: Gustav-Stresemann-Institut (GSI), Langer Grabenweg 68, 53175 Bonn

The conference language is English, simultaneous translation in French and German will be provided for all Plenary Sessions and some Workshop presentations.

Wednesday, 9 December 2015

Pre-Conference Institutes (separate registration required)

14:00 - On-site Registration of Participants
18:00

14:30 - **Pre-Conference Institute I** (Language: English):
17:30 Political implementation of equal parenting: experiences
and recommendations

*Glenn Cheriton, President
Canadian Equal Parenting
Council, Canada*

14:30 - **Pre-Conference Institute II** (Language: German):
17:30 Paradigmenwechsel: Umgang mit Elternkonflikten aus der
Kinderperspektive (Paradigm shift: Dealing with parental
conflicts from the child's perspective)

*Ursula Kodjoe, Systemic
Therapist, Mediator,
Germany;
Jürgen Rudolph, retired
Family Judge, Author and
Founder of "Cochem
Practice", Germany*

14:30 - **Pre-Conference Institute III:** (Language: German)
17:30 organized and sponsored by Bonner AnwaltVerein:
News on shared parenting from research and legal
practice

*Prof. Dr. Hildegund
Sünderhauf, Lutheran
University Nuremberg,
Germany*

14:30 - **Pre-Conference Institute IV** (Language: German):
17:30 Martin Widrig: Shared parenting and alimony: How to
avoid wrong incentives and still meet the needs of the
concerned by defining appropriate principles for the
alimony system
Jan Piet de Man: Child support: Belgian law and
calculators; in Germany, too, or the German method even
in case of shared parenting time?

*Martin Widrig, MLaw,
University of Fribourg,
Switzerland;
Jan Piet de Man, Child and
Family Psychologist and
Approved Family Mediator,
Belgium*

14:30 - **Pre-Conference Institute V** (Language: German)
17:30 organized and sponsored by the German Association for
Systemic Therapy, Counseling and Family Therapy (DGSF):
Systemic thinking and radical constructivism in the family
court context: Solution-oriented proceeding in cases of
high conflict and parental alienation

*Peter Thiel, Systemic
Therapist, Family Therapist,
Germany*

Welcome Reception at the Old Town Hall of the City of Bonn

Venue: Altes Rathaus der Stadt Bonn, Markt 2, 53111 Bonn

18:30	Welcome Address	N.N., City of Bonn
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Reception and Networking		
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Thursday, 10 December 2015

09:30	On-site Registration of Participants	
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10:00	Welcome	<i>Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD, University of British Columbia, ICSP President, Canada;</i>
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10:10	Introduction to the Conference	<i>Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf, Lutheran University Nuremberg, Chair of Scientific Committee, Germany</i>
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10:20	Welcome Address	N.N., Representative of Politics
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Plenary Session I:

New Evidence from Empirical Research on Shared Parenting

Chair: Dr. Chantal Clot-Grangeat, Docteure en psychologie clinique, ICSP Vice-President, France

10:30	Shared parenting in Sweden and elsewhere - are children different?	<i>Malin Bergström, PhD, Centre for Health Equity Studies (CHESS), Stockholm, Sweden</i>
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11:00	Family parenting styles, custodial arrangements and children's well-being after divorce	<i>Kim Bastaits, Prof. Dimitri Mortelmans, University of Antwerp, Belgium</i>
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11:30	Refreshment Break	
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11:50	Shared parental responsibility for children's education: Recent data from Australia	<i>Dr. Alexander Masardo, University of Bath, United Kingdom</i>
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12:20	children's well-being in different parenting and living arrangements after separation and divorce	<i>Dr. Alexandra Langmeyer, Dr. Michaela Schier, German Youth Institute, Germany</i>
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12:50	Additional Questions and Answers	
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13:00	Lunch	
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Workshops with Paper Presentations

14:30	Workshops with Paper Presentations (see separate pages)	
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16:00	Refreshment Break	
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16:30	Workshops with Paper Presentations (continued)	
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17:00 - 18:00	Workshop Discussion	
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19:30	Conference Dinner (Römersaal/GSI)	
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Friday, 11 December 2015

Workshops with Paper Presentations (continued)

09:00	Workshops with Paper Presentations (continued)
10:00	Workshop Discussion and Conclusions
11:00	Refreshment Break

Plenary Session II: Implementation of Shared Parenting in Legal Systems

Chair: Dr. Ioannis Paparigopoulos, Lawyer, Greece

11:30	Ongoing shared parenting reforms in Denmark	<i>Jesper Lohse, Chairman, Foreningenfar, Denmark</i>
12:00	The legal development of parental responsibility in Europe	<i>Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf, Lutheran University Nuremberg, Germany</i>
12:30	Shared parenting and child support in the US	<i>Dr. Ned Holstein, Founder and Chairman of the Board of National Parents Organization (NPO), USA</i>
13:00	Lunch	

Plenary Session III: Conclusions from the Conference

Chair: Malin Bergström, PhD, Centre for Health Equity Studies (CHESS), Stockholm, Sweden

14:30	Results of Workshop S: Societal Framework of Shared Parenting in different Legal and Cultural Environments	<i>Dr. Alexander Masardo, United Kingdom, Chair of Workshop S</i>
14:45	Results of Workshop L: Legislation for Shared Parenting in Different Legal and Cultural Environments	<i>Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf, Chair of Workshop L</i>
15:00	Results of Workshop M: The Role of Family Mediation in the Implementation of Shared Parenting	<i>Jan Piet de Man, Chair of Workshop M</i>
15:15	Results of Workshop C: How to Reduce High Conflict and Family Violence?	<i>Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD, Chair of Workshop C</i>
15:30	Plenary Debate	<i>Moderator: Oliver Hunziker, President of the Swiss Association for Shared Parenting (GeCoBi), ICSP Vice-President</i>
16:30	Refreshment Break	
16:50	Conference Conclusions	<i>Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf, Chair of Scientific Committee / Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD, ICSP President</i>

17:20	Closing Remarks	<i>Angela Hoffmeyer, ICSP Secretary General</i>
17:30	End of Program	
18:00 - 20:00	Dinner	
20:30 - 23:30	Networking Cruise on Rhine River	

Saturday, 12 December 2015

10:00 - 13:00	ICSP General Assembly	ICSP Members and Invited Guests
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Workshop I: Societal Framework of Shared Parenting in different Legal and Cultural Environments

Obstacles and challenges in implementing and applying shared parenting principle in Malaysia

Parents with handicaps - prospects of shared parenting for separated parents with special needs

Loss of child well-being: A concept for the metrics of neglect and abuse under separation and divorce

Shared care in the UK: facts, figures and beyond

Work-life balance and shared parenting

An integrated approach to shared parenting

Chair: Dr. Alexander Masardo, University of Bath, United Kingdom

Co-chair: N.N.

Suzana binti Ali & Roslina bt Che Soh, Yusoff Ahmad Ibrahim Kuliyyah of Laws, International Islamic University, Malaysia

Kerstin Blochberger, Bundesverband behinderter und chronisch kranker Eltern (bbe) e. V., Germany

Dr. Hans-Peter Dürr, University of Tübingen, Germany

Dr. Tina Haux, University of Kent, United Kingdom

Cornelia Spachtholz, Chairman of Verband berufstätiger Mütter (VBM) e. V., Germany

Dr. med. Vittorio Vezzetti, European Platform for Joint Custody (Colibri), Italy

Workshop II: Legislation for Shared Parenting in Different Legal and Cultural Environments

Plea for the establishment of shared parenting in France

Project "Grandparents Research"

Shared Parenting - theses from a legal perspective

Shared custody and rights of the child in the new Italian legislation - Assisted negotiation and memorandum of understanding

From conceptualization of shared custody in law to the concretion of alternating residence in judicial decrees in Catalonia (2007-2014)

The child's right to be cared for by both parents - implications for socio-legal practice

Chair: Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf, Germany

Co-chair: Martin Widrig, MLaw, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Delphine Bivona, Family Lawyer, France

Dr. med. Li Li (in cooperation with the University of Mainz), Germany

PD Dr. Christoph Mandla, Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany

Dr. jur. Simone Pillon, Sara Napoleoni, Forum of Family Associations, Italy

Montserrat Solsona, Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain

Martin Widrig, MLaw, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Workshop III: The Role of Family Mediation in the Implementation of Shared Parenting

Mediation and shared parenting in France: inventory and perspectives

Model of agreement or judgement including a day-by-day bird nesting - shared parenting time arrangement and a divided parental "authority")

Mediation and shared parenting: preconditions and consequences

How to bring people in conflict to voluntary mediation in shared parenting

Do mediated agreements promote shared parenting?

Psychological counselling and mediation - binding elements that can lead to reduction / cessation of conflict between parents undergoing divorce

Chair: Jan Piet de Man, Child and Family Psychologist and Approved Family Mediator, Belgium

Co-chair: Dr. Róisín O' Shea, Mediator, Irish Research Council, Ireland

Dr. Chantal Clot-Grangeat, Docteure en psychologie clinique, ICSP Vice-President, France

Jan Piet de Man, Child and Family Psychologist and Approved Family Mediator, Belgium

Dr. jur. Jorge Guerra González, Leuphana University, Germany

Annelien Jonckheere, Psycho- & Child Therapist, Accredited Family Mediator and Judicial Expert, Belgium

Dr. Róisín O' Shea, Mediator, Irish Research Council, Ireland

Simona Maria Vlădică, University of Bucharest, Romania

Workshop IV: How to Reduce High Conflict and Family Violence?

The foundation of the IFS (Institute for family law and social pediatrics) - profile and scientific goals

High conflict as a transgenerational family pattern

The equal parent presumption: The case for equality in the legal determination of parenting after divorce

Parental alienation: Prevention and intervention through shared parenting

Domestic violence - The long road from rhetoric to reality - Towards a gender balanced appreciation of violence involving women, men and children as victims. Some issues and possible ways forward

High conflict - violence without effective answer!?

Chair: Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD, Canada

Co-chair: Josef A. Mohr, Family Lawyer, Germany

Prof. Dr. Peter Beyerlein, Head Diagnostic Bioinformatics Research Group, Technical University Wildau, Germany

Ursula Kodjoe, Systemic Therapist, Mediator, Germany

Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD, Canada

Josef A. Mohr, Family Lawyer, Germany

Patrick Robinson, Romand coordinator of father organisations, Switzerland

Andreas Schneider, Psychologist and Transactional Analyst