

Announcement**Parental Insightfulness Assessment Workshop
October 2007, Lausanne, Switzerland**

Dear Colleague:

We are happy to let you know that we are planning an *Insightfulness Assessment (IA)* coding workshop and we would like to invite you and/or your colleagues/students to participate in the workshop. The *IA* is a representational assessment which is based on an interview with parents following their viewing of video segments of themselves interacting with their children, and is designed to assess their capacity to "see things from the child's point of view." The *IA* has been proven to be an effective, methodologically rigorous, and clinically sensitive tool which is associated with parental caregiving and child attachment in both normative and at risk samples (see references below). It is currently used in a variety of studies, including intervention studies in which the *IA* is a pre- and post measure as well as in studies of children with Autism and other developmental disabilities.

The workshop will take place between October 8-12, 2007 at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland (Institute of Psychology, Child and Adolescent Clinical Unit, Prof. N. Favez & F. Lopes, assistant). The workshop will involve 5 days of study with a small group of participants. Our work during the workshop will involve understanding the theoretical underpinnings of the Insightfulness Assessment, familiarizing participants with the *IA* procedure, and, primarily, learning how to code *IA* transcripts. There will be plenty of room for in-depth discussion about the coding system as well as discussion of technical matters involving its application. The goal of the workshop is to gain a thorough understanding of the *IA* and work on achieving inter-rater reliability. We believe that both researchers and clinicians may find it beneficial. Researchers who want to use the *IA* in their studies can complete a reliability check following the workshop. Both the workshop and the reliability test will be conducted in English.

For more information please feel free to contact us (David at oppenhei@psy.haifa.ac.il and Nina at nkoren@psy.haifa.ac.il).

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