Between 13th and 16th June 2008, London will host a unique collaboration between three societies working in the trauma field –

<u>International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) 16th June.</u> **EMDR Europe 13th to 15th June.**

European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ESTSS) 13th and 15th June.

There will be a series of conferences and workshops centered on psychological trauma. Each organization is committed to the development of effective, evidence based interventions. The results of this collaboration will provide an opportunity to share knowledge and ideas in the endeavour towards improving further our understanding of psychological trauma and PTSD.

ISTSS

On 16th June, the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies will hold a one day symposium, Interventions for Traumatised Populations: An Expert Update from ISTSS, at the Royal College of Physicians, Regents Park, London. This symposium, chaired by current ISTSS President, Stuart Turner, will be a unique opportunity to hear from the world's leading experts in the field of psychological trauma.

- Developmental Trauma Disorder: A Proposed Diagnosis for DSM V. Bessel van der Kolk
- Psychosocial Therapeutic Interventions for Children with Traumatic Stress Reactions.
 John Fairbank
- Treating Adult Complex Trauma Survivors. Marylène Cloitre
- Longitudinal Studies in PTSD. How Do They Inform Practice?" Alexander McFarlane
- Treatment Outcome Research. Patricia Resick
- Public Mental Health and Traumatic Stress in (Post-) Conflict Settings. Joop de Jong
- Working with Refugees in the United Kingdom. Stuart Turner, ISTSS President
- What Do We Know About Early Interventions After Trauma? Richard Bryant
- Five Principles of Psychosocial Intervention in the Immediate and Midterm Aftermath of Mass Casualty. Stevan Hobfoll
- Early Lessons from the London July 7th Bombings Service Evaluation. Chris Brewin
- Discussant. Ulrich Schnyder

Further information on the ISTSS London Symposium [top]

EMDR-Europe

Between 13th and 15th June, the 9th EMDR Europe Conference, <u>NEW PERSPECTIVES IN EMDR</u>, will be held in the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster, London.

On June 13th, there will be a selection of whole day and half day pre-conference workshops (limited numbers). These include:

Jim Knipe EMDR Toolbox

Roger Solomon EMDR with Grief and Mourning Andrew Seubert EMDR and 'The Courage to Feel'

Janine Fisher Minding the Body: Somatic Interventions for Enhancing EMDR Effectiveness

Sandi Richman Treating Complex PTSD using EMDR

Claudia Herbert EMDR and Positive PsychologyJoany Spierings Creative Cognitive

Interweaves within EMDR

Joanne Morris-Smith Creating Successful EMDR for Children, Adolescents & Families

& Michel Silvestra

The Conference itself will commence on the Friday evening (June 13th) with a welcoming glass of wine and an opening address by EMDR European Association President Udi Oren and two keynote speakers. The Conference will continue through Saturday and Sunday with a range of keynote speeches, workshops, symposia and poster presentations. The full programme will be on the conference website shortly.

<u>Further information on the 9th EMDR-Europe Conference</u> [top] ESTSS

The European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies will be providing two workshops, also in the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster London. These will qualify for the ESTSS General Certificate in Psychotraumatology.

On 13th June, there will be a half day workshop with the title **Early Intervention Following Traumatic Events** facilitated by Brigitte Lueger-Schuster and Miranda Olff. On successful completion of the

workshop, participants will be able to describe the commonly used approaches to early intervention, specific interventions (including critical incident stress debriefing, psychological debriefing, psychological first aid, critical incident stress management, trauma risk management, supportive counselling and trauma focused cognitive behavioural therapy) and discuss the current evidence base for the effectiveness of early interventions following traumatic events.

On 15th June, there will be a full day workshop with the title Introduction to Traumatic Stress
Studies, facilitated by Berthold Gersons, Raija-Leena Punamaki and Jonathan Bisson. On successful completion of the workshop, participants will be able to describe normal and problematic reactions following traumatic events, the theoretical basis of PTSD from neurobiological, psychological and social standpoints, explain the principles of an evidence based approach to the prevention and treatment of post traumatic disorders.

Further information on ESTSS Workshops [top]

We hope you take advantage of these opportunities in London in June 2008 for these important collaborations between ISTSS, EMDR Europe and ESTSS.