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**Aristotle Prize 2011 awarded to Professor Marinus H. Van IJzendoorn from the Leiden University
(Netherlands)**

Dear Professor van IJzendoorn,
Dear Sir,

The Executive Council of EFPA would like to congratulate you for being elected to be the next Aristotle Award 2011 winner

The Aristotle Prize Selection Committee stated that : quote

..... Prof. Marinus van IJzendoorn of Leiden University, the Netherlands, is a renowned expert in research on the bio-psychological construct of attachment. His meta-analyses have deepened our understanding of the long-term effects of adaptation even across generations. His research has shown the role of epigenetic molecular processes in the effects that environmental experiences have on the development of different attachment patterns. His work has made clear that attachment provides a very potent approach to emotion regulation, including normative and atypical development, and offers promising possibilities for prevention and intervention concerning the consequences of disasters. His analyses of holocaust survivors have produced ground breaking insights into the lasting effects of severe trauma and conditions of resilience.

Professor van IJzendoorn is a world class researcher, but also an organizer of country-wide graduate schools and mentor to an impressive list of young scientists that covers the future of an entire discipline. His influence reaches far and wide, and has brought together many different regions of the world. His publications are widely referenced and followed up by many other researchers across a number of fields, resulting in a h-index of 38, which, given his age (born 1952) and discipline, is a remarkable achievement.

unquote.

Therefore, the Selection Committee decided to elect you as the recipient of the Aristotle Prize 2011.

EFPA wants to inform its member associations about this election and at the same time announce your speech at the European Congress of Psychology opening ceremony in Istanbul, Turkey, on Monday July 4, 2011 (www.ecp2011.org). Therefore we would like to know the theme of your speech.

All other practical arrangements as congress reservation, hotel reservation, flight arrangements etc. will be handled by Mrs. Serap Keles – Secretary General of the Local Organising Committee of the European Congress in Istanbul/Turkey (July 4-8, 2011) at serap.yavuz@bahcesehir.edu.tr

Expenses to cover the congress registration, hotel accommodations for three nights as well as the travel costs, will be reimbursed by the congress organizer.

Could you please inform us at headoffice@efpa.eu (Attn. Director of EFPA Sabine Steyaert) as soon as possible?

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,



Prof. dr. Robert A. Roe

President of EFPA

Chair of the Aristotle Prize Selection Committee

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