



Dear reader,

The long list of publications at the end of this newsletter shows that the members of the Virtual Community have been very productive in the past few months. So enjoy reading, not only the newsletter but also the publications!

All the best,  
Ellen

## NEWS

### Virtual Community YouTube channel

We launched a YouTube channel for the Virtual Community on Sustainability and Consumption. You can find an archive with presentations from for example the IAREP conference 2011. We also uploaded new videos, namely from the Biennial Conference on Environmental Psychology 2015. You can find the channel [here](#).

### Psychology editor wanted

A psychology editor is being recruited to help some of the interdisciplinary journals, including Nature Climate Change but not only, with environmental/social psychology research submissions. You can find the link to the job advert below, which could be relevant for any postdoctoral students or others. It is a full time position for a career in professional science publishing within the Nature family. The ideal location would be the London office, but an exceptional candidate would be considered to join the New York office. [Link to job advert](#)

### Starting projects

#### New project - Acceptable and sustainable integration of energy systems

The project "Acceptable and sustainable integration of energy systems" was awarded funding of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO). In this project Linda Steg from the Environmental Psychology group at the University of Groningen together with Jacquelin Scherper from the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Discrete Technology and Production Automation, Engineering and Technology Institute Groningen (ENTEG) investigate ways of producing an efficient, reliable, sustainable and socially acceptable integrated energy system. The project focuses on integrating macro (energy plants) and micro (households generating their own energy) approaches, and explores ways of using new control mechanisms to achieve the optimum combination in the infrastructure for gas, electricity and heat. 2 PhD students will work on this project. [Read more](#)

#### New project - Study and development of an energy management system and user interface that can match supply and demand of various energy carriers using user preferences while contributing to user acceptability and proper adoption of the system

This project was awarded funding of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO).

Kees Keizer and Linda Steg from Faculty of Behavioural & Social Sciences at the University of Groningen, and Marco Aiello and Faris Nizamic from the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Johann Bernoulli Institute for Mathematics and Computer Science at the University of Groningen. [Read more](#)

## UPCOMING

### Save the date & Registration

#### Save the date: International Conference on Environmental Psychology

You are invited to participate in the International Conference on Environmental Psychology (ICEP): "Theories of change and social innovation in transitions towards sustainability" held on August 30-September 1 2017 in A Coruña (Spain). This international symposium is being organized by the IAAP (International Association of Applied Psychology), Division of Environmental Psychology, to promote the science and practice of applied psychology and to facilitate scientific exchange and communication on Environmental Psychology topics.

For more information visit the website [www.icep2017.org](http://www.icep2017.org)

#### Registration: The SDG challenge for the Nordic countries

The aim of the conference entitled "the SDG challenge for the Nordic countries" on June 2-3 2016, is: (1) to identify challenges and solutions for the Nordic countries to reach the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); (2) to launch a Future Earth research community in Denmark. Future Earth is a major international research platform providing the knowledge and support to accelerate our transformations to a sustainable world. The conference is open to contributions from both natural and social sciences, as well as humanities.

For more information and to sign up you can use [this link](#).

#### Registration: PERSON-platform expert meeting

The PERSON-platform presents "Innovative social sciences and humanities perspectives on energy transitions: Presenting the state of the art of social sciences and humanities research and the PERSON multidisciplinary research agenda" on June 14 2016 during the Sustainable Energy Week in Brussels, Belgium. There is an exciting [program](#) and registration is now open.

For more information and to register you can click [here](#).

## Calls

#### Call for abstracts: 6th Conference on Mobility in a Globalised World

Submissions of abstracts (300 to 500 words) or full papers consistent with one or several of the conference topics are welcome. Details about the call for papers can be found [here](#). For more information about the conference visit the [website](#)

Deadline: June 30, 2016

#### Call for Abstracts: 20th Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Congress

Abstract submission for the 20th AMS World Marketing Congress "Marketing Transformation- Marketing Practice in an Ever Changing World" will open August 1, 2016. The conference will be hosted by the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand on June 27-July 1, 2017. Of special interesting may be track 7: Ethics, Social Responsibility, and Sustainability (co-chairs Michael Luchs and Marcus Phipps)

For more information click [here](#) and for the call for abstracts click [here](#).

Deadline: October 1, 2016

#### Call for Papers: Special issue in Journal of Public Policy & Marketing

The call for papers is now open for a special issue in Journal of Public Policy & Marketing: "The Growing Role of Environmentalism and Sustainability in Marketing and Public Policy". Special Issue editors: Easwar S. Iyer ([iyer@isenberg.umass.edu](mailto:iyer@isenberg.umass.edu)) and Rebecca Walker Reczek ([reczek.3@osu.edu](mailto:reczek.3@osu.edu))

Deadline: July 31, 2016

## Events

2016		
2-3 June	The SDG challenge for the Nordic countries	Copenhagen, Denmark
6-9 June	Environmental Psychology summer school	Vilm, Germany
14 June	PERSON expert meeting during the European Sustainability Energy Week (EUSEW)	Brussels, Belgium
14-15 June	Energy systems Conference	London, UK
15-17 June	Second International Conference of the Sustainable Consumption Research and Action Initiative (SCORAI)	Orono, Maine, U.S
16-19 June	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on Environmental Politics & Governance	Gerzensee, Switzerland
26 June- 1 July	24 <sup>th</sup> International Association People-environment Studies (IAPS) Conference	Lund/Alnarp, Sweden
8-10 July	SABE / IAREP Conference 2016	Wageningen, the Netherlands
2-5 August	International Conference on Traffic and Transport Psychology (ISTTP2016)	Brisbane, Australia
30 August- 3 September	5 <sup>th</sup> International Conference Degrowth	Budapest, Hungary
8-9 September	4th European Conference on Behaviour and Energy Efficiency- BEHAVE 2016	Coimbra, Portugal
18-22 September	50. Kongress der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Psychologie	Leipzig, Germany
26-27 September	6 <sup>th</sup> Conference on Mobility in a Globalized World	Vienna, Austria

2017		
27 June- 1 July	20th Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Congress	Christchurch, New Zealand
30 August- 1 September	International Conference of Environmental Psychology 2017	A Coruña, Spain

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Publications

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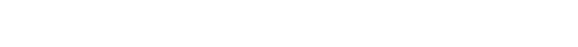
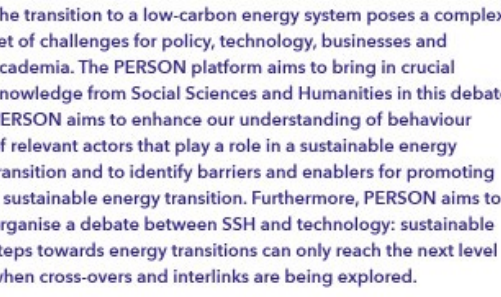
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### Special Collection in Nature Climate Change and Nature Energy

Nature Climate Change and Nature Energy present a joint Collection on Energy, Climate and Society (<http://www.nature.com/energyclimatesociety>). It brings together scholarly perspectives on how sociological, political and technological research can be incorporated into problem-centred research, how people and society can be conceptualized in this context, and how these can feed into strategies to engage the public on climate and energy issues.

### Environmental Psychology within Frontiers in Psychology

A new subsection on Environmental Psychology within Frontiers in Psychology has just been launched. You will find the journal homepage a



### Sustainable Energy Week Brussels

PERSON-platform presents:

**Innovative perspectives on Energy Transitions: presenting the state of the art of Social Sciences and Humanities research and the PERSON Multidisciplinary Research Agenda**

The transition to a low-carbon energy system poses a complex set of challenges for policy, technology, business and academia. The PERSON platform aims to bring in crucial knowledge from Social Sciences and Humanities in this debate. PERSON aims to enhance our understanding of behaviour of relevant actors that play a role in a sustainable energy transition and to identify barriers and enablers for promoting a sustainable energy transition. Furthermore, PERSON aims to organise a debate between SSH and technology: sustainable steps towards energy transitions can only reach the next level when cross-overs and interlinks are being explored.

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