



# 2005 Annual Report

# ISPCAN



The International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect



**Providing Child Abuse Protection  
through Partnerships:  
Locally and Globally**

**Our Mission: To support individuals and organizations working  
to protect children from abuse and neglect worldwide.**

## Message from the Leadership

### Dear Members,

We are pleased to report on ISPCAN's important progress in 2005. Initiated by C. Henry Kempe nearly 30 years ago (1977), ISPCAN was founded as an international Professional Society on Child Abuse and Neglect. Our mission was and has remained to 'Support Individuals and Organizations Internationally to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect.' The philosophy has also been consistent – a commitment and belief that effective child abuse and neglect prevention can only be accomplished through an integrated interdisciplinary approach to child abuse and neglect prevention.

ISPCAN is responsible for bringing together diverse professionals from around the world to improve their local and national efforts to protect children by working together in a unique, collaborative and respectful way that most effectively succeeds in protecting children from abuse and neglect.

ISPCAN promotes an interdisciplinary approach to child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment and recognizes professionals from all disciplines: Medicine/Public Health, Mental Health, Social Work, Legal/Judicial, Law Enforcement, Government, NGO, and Education. Since DETECTION might occur in a classroom, hospital emergency room, regular check up, a home visit encounter with law enforcement, or a variety of other locations and circumstances, professionals in every discipline need to be well-informed about how to detect child abuse and neglect, as well as what steps to take next, such as following REPORTING requirements in their countries. While the form of INTERVENTION will differ depending on the discipline and stage of the process, all professionals must understand the role they need to play to ensure maximum care and protection of the child.

This requires the professionals in each discipline to receive advanced training, especially professionals in the medical and mental health fields. And finally, all professionals need to participate in and establish collaboration and awareness of the Intersectional System of Child Protection in their community. For example, if child abuse is identified by law enforcement or by an educator or community leader, they need a clear protocol on how they work within the system to offer the child protection, interact with the family, and bring the child and family to the next step, which might be a Hospital, a Child Advocacy Center, or the Social Welfare System. Then, those responsible for the next step must have a clear understanding of how to intervene with the family, with the legal system, or the foster care system. They need to understand and work within the child protection system to serve the best interests of the child over the long-term, which might involve returning the child to its family or to a different placement with extended family members.

Especially in the last six to eight years of ISPCAN's history, the organization has been evolving as an international NGO. This is increasingly of strong importance towards ISPCAN's effectiveness as a global force in the prevention of child abuse and neglect. To further this role, ISPCAN has developed a multi-levelled approach:

- 1) Training and Education: Serving individual professional members and their organizations through Conferences, Congresses, Training Programs and Training Materials/Resources tailored for diverse professional disciplines and regions/countries;
- 2) Models, Templates and Tools for Professionals and Communities, including model curricula;
- 3) Child Abuse and Neglect Professional Community Exchange and Support, including the ISPCAN interactive Listserv; Virtual Discussions among members and National Partner exchanges;
- 4) Consultation and Support to professionals, NGOs, and governments internationally on their priority CAN issues, to assist them in advancing their CAN prevention efforts.

Due to funding constraints, ISPCAN and our professional members have not been able to consistently play an active role in many important international efforts to create government policy, direction, education, and programs for child protection relating to child abuse and neglect prevention. Yet ISPCAN, along with UNICEF, World Health Organization, UN Studies and Consultations on Children, the International Labor Organization, the High Commissioner on Human Rights, and other government and non-government organizations and task forces recognize the need and importance of the contribution ISPCAN Professionals provide through their knowledge, expertise and interdisciplinary approach to effectively address the problems of child abuse and neglect.

This needs to change – and ISPCAN will work increasingly toward this goal in future.

Thank you for your interest and support of ISPCAN in 2005. The challenge of preventing child abuse and neglect internationally is tremendous. However, ISPCAN, with our dedicated and trained professional members, is best placed to provide leadership in helping abused, neglected, and at-risk children and their families, as we address the challenges of the future. We commit to serving you and children around the world.

With kind regards,

Barbara L. Bonner, PhD, ISPCAN President  
Kimberly Svevo, MA, ISPCAN Executive Director



Barbara L. Bonner, PhD



Kimberly Svevo, MA

## What is ISPCAN?

The International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN) is a non-profit membership organization that works to prevent the abuse, neglect and exploitation of children by supporting individuals and organizations working to protect children worldwide. ISPCAN believes that only through effective treatment and prevention efforts can child abuse and neglect be significantly reduced and eliminated from society. All our efforts are committed to achieving the best interests of the child.

ISPCAN's membership consists of over 1,800 professionals working to prevent all forms of child abuse and neglect. It is our ongoing goal to meet the needs of multidisciplinary professionals and to help strengthen their efforts by providing them with critical information on child abuse and neglect issues through education, training, related research initiatives and intersectoral and interdisciplinary professional cooperation. Members receive a monthly subscription to ISPCAN's official journal, Child Abuse & Neglect: The International Journal. In addition, ISPCAN is continually working to increase the value of membership and the support of its members through innovative programs and dissemination of current information on child abuse and neglect (CAN).

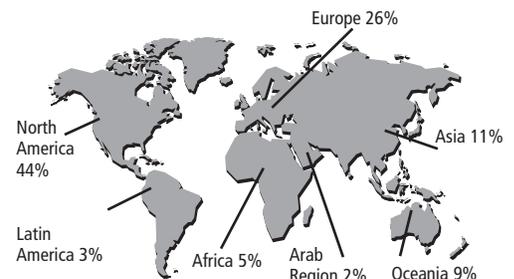
With members in 180 countries in 2005, ISPCAN is committed to supporting the diverse needs of professionals working in different conditions and to use this variety of experiences to facilitate peer-to-peer learning. It is by supporting the work of its members that ISPCAN's networking and international outreach can have a tangible local impact in the ongoing effort to eliminate child maltreatment around the world.

## Definition of Child Abuse

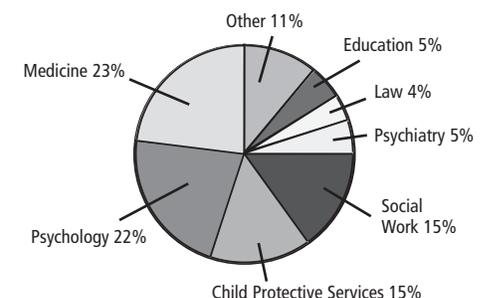
Child abuse or maltreatment constitutes all forms of physical and/or emotional ill-treatment, sexual abuse, neglect or negligent treatment or commercial or other exploitation, resulting in actual or potential harm to the child's health, survival, development or dignity in the context of a relationship of responsibility, trust or power.

-WHO/ISPCAN Expert Consultation on Child Abuse, 1999

## ISPCAN Membership by Region



## ISPCAN Membership by Discipline



# ISPCAN's Strategic Plan Toward Effective Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention

True impact in improving child protection must be achieved through the implementation of an informed and comprehensive strategy and plan, effected through the cooperation and collaboration of professionals, government officials, community and national leaders, families and the children we serve. It is all too evident that none of us individually, or even in our small collective specialized groups, hold the answers and means to ensure effective child abuse and neglect prevention in our own communities or countries. In collaboration with other committed organizations, however, we are demonstrating on a daily basis that we have strong potential to achieve highly effective protection of our children.

## New Projects/New Progress

**UN Study on Violence Against Children:** In 2005, ISPCAN strengthened our commitment and investment to this important project through the increased involvement of ISPCAN members. ISPCAN is contributing in many ways through members: being involved in National and Regional Consultations, contributing their national and international research and information, participating as authors and editors of the report, and working and consulting with the UN Study Secretariat on the project. Further, ISPCAN Member Liaison Desmond Runyan responded to a critical need identified by the Study, i.e., a significant lack of research and information on child abuse and neglect in most countries of the world. Runyan has been leading a major ISPCAN project to develop global questionnaires on child abuse and neglect, one for parents on their actions, a retrospective survey for young adults on their experiences, and one for children 12-17. These I-CAST questionnaires have been reviewed via a Delphi process and will be field tested and further evaluated in 2006.

**Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC):** In 2005, ISPCAN's President Barbara Bonner, Councillor Tilman Furniss, and Executive Director Kimberly Svevo were invited by the CRC Committee Chair and past ISPCAN President, Jaap Doek to conduct a training session on child maltreatment with the CRC Committee. From that meeting, a collaboration between ISPCAN and the CRC Committee was established to affect greater implementation of the child abuse and neglect related efforts required by the CRC. By the end of 2005, ISPCAN had welcomed three representatives of the CRC committee, Yanghee Lee, Moushira Khattab, and Lothar Krappman, to work on a project that would support ISPCAN members' increased engagement and capabilities to work with their national governments as professional resources and consultants on child abuse and neglect. ISPCAN Council member Sanphasit Koompraphant is serving as Chair, with Co-Chair Tilman Furniss, for this evolving ISPCAN Program.

The development of these new opportunities is a result of the course ISPCAN has been setting for the past five years of growth and investment into the most valuable role and contribution ISPCAN can make to support its members to protect children from abuse and neglect internationally. In this development process, there are many unsung heroes in our work – and in this issue, we want to draw attention to many of them, some of whom are visible in our programs, conferences, and publications, but are often working with us behind the scenes – as critical partners in our success:

ISPCAN Members globally are the life-blood and the heart of ISPCAN. Without our members – there couldn't be an ISPCAN. They are the enablers of our Conferences, Congresses, Publications and all our programs. Thank you!

## ISPCAN Unsung Heroes

**UNICEF Unsung Heroes in 2005:** Karin Landgren, Anna Nordenmark, Rimah Salah, Gopalan Balagopal, Akila Belembagao, Marc Ono, Dita Reichenberg, and Kitiya Phornsadja have worked with ISPCAN members in their countries, regions, and internationally to introduce the important topic of child abuse and neglect, and to address it with the resources necessary to make a difference.

**WHO Unsung Heroes in 2005:** Etienne Kruge, Alex Butchart, Alison Phinney, and Mikael Ostergren have strongly supported the collaborative relationship between WHO and ISPCAN in the development of Intersectoral CAN Guidelines for Professionals and other important publications on child maltreatment for international distribution,,

**UN Secretariat's Study on Violence Unsung Heroes in 2005:** Paulo Pinheiro and Amaya Gillespie have been leading this important effort between the UN Secretariat and ISPCAN to assess the prevalence of violence against children worldwide.

**UN Committee on the Rights of the Child Unsung Heroes in 2005:** Jaap Doek, Yanghee Lee, Moushira Khattab, and Lothar Krappman have begun working closely with ISPCAN to implement the CRC requirements on child abuse and neglect in the CRC member countries around the world.

**Government –Involvement:** ISPCAN and member partnerships and collaboration with governments are also on the increase, and demonstrating important progress for CAN prevention.

**Funder Involvement:** The OAK Foundation, the Interchurch Development Organization, Kerkinactie, and the ALCOA Foundation have provided resources to make ISPCAN's work possible. The Oak Foundation, in particular, has made major contributions to strengthening ISPCAN's developing country training efforts for nearly 10 years, and ISPCAN recognizes this very important contribution.

**NGO Partner Involvement:** Save the Children, ECPAT, World Vision, ILO-IPEC, Terre des Hommes, and Plan International have all been important partners contributing to ISPCAN's international efforts to improve the protection of children.

**National Partners Involvement:** ISPCAN is very pleased to increase the number of our National Partners to 19 in 2005. (See National Partner Section). Professional National Societies offer important sustainable national CAN training and programs.

**Faculty Member Involvement:** ISPCAN is proud to have 100 highly qualified CAN professionals in the world among its Expert Faculty who work as volunteers to support CAN prevention as educators, writers, organizers, and consultants.

## Sponsored Scholar-Practitioners from Developing Countries

Over 55 scholars were sponsored in 2005 to attend ISPCAN Conferences and Training Events in Egypt (Arab regional training on Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention), Germany (10th ISPCAN European Regional Conference), Singapore (6th ISPCAN Asian Regional Conference), and the USA (APSAC Colloquium and San Diego Conference on Child Maltreatment). Collectively, this support totaled nearly US \$52,000 and was made possible through grants provided by Children at Risk; Interchurch Organization for Development Cooperation (ICCO); the Oak Foundation; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), Washington D.C.; Save the Children Sweden; and UNICEF New York.

These scholarships are granted to committed professionals working in developing countries. They include current experts and other committed professionals in leading local efforts in the area of child abuse prevention. The scholarship program is an opportunity for these professionals to further their knowledge and to network with other professionals internationally. Funded scholars take the benefits of the educational experience back to their communities to lead further local/national training and support of programs in their countries. 2005 Scholars are:

Fadheela Al Mahroos (Bahrain)	Birute Baranauskiene (Lithuania)
Razina Islam (Bangladesh)	Jurate Daskeviciene (Lithuania)
Yeameen Akbory (Bangladesh)	Inese Lusena (Lithuania)
Andrey Makhanko (Belarus)	Meri Boskovska (Macedonia)
Ekaterina Smirnova (Belarus)	Marija Raleva (Macedonia)
Evelyn Eisenstein (Brazil)	Choo Wan Yuen (Malaysia)
Iva Kamenova (Bulgaria)	Rita Ventakasawmy (Mauritius)
Deyana Kostadinova (Bulgaria)	Bijaya Sainju (Nepal)
Malina Slavova (Bulgaria)	Sharma Madhur (Nepal)
Leang Lo (Cambodia)	Buki Ponle (Nigeria)
Thany Mom (Cambodia)	Tufail Muhammad (Pakistan)
Harriett McMillan (Canada)	Naeem Zafar (Pakistan)
Jingqi Chen (China)	Laurie Ramiro (Philippines)
Clemencia Ramirez (Colombia)	Maria Keller-Hamela (Poland)
Vera Bechnova (Czech Republic)	Grazyna Szydłowska (Poland)
Randa Youssef (Egypt)	Ana Muntean (Romania)
Lemme Haldre (Estonia)	Marina Belgesova (Russia)
Ketevan Nemsadze (Georgia)	Elena Volkova (Russia)
Lia Saralidze (Georgia)	Vladimir Yanchuk (Russia)
Maria Esther Artilles (Honduras)	Harendra de Silva (Sri Lanka)
Dipty Jain (India)	Adib Essali (Syria)
Tapas Kumar Bose (India)	Uthai Dulyakasem (Thailand)
Reem Abu Hassan (Jordan)	Sombat Tapanya (Thailand)
Hani Jahshan (Jordan)	Aida Gorbel (Tunisia)
Fadel El-Hamoud (Jordan)	Olena Shypilenko (Ukraine)
Lithnarong Pholsena (Laos)	Huong Nguyen Thanh (Vietnam)
Ausra Kuriene (Latvia)	Vu Thu Hong (Vietnam)
Laura Lebedeva (Latvia)	Bernard Gerbaka (Lebanon)

# ISPCAN Communications

## Child Abuse & Neglect: The International Journal

ISPCAN seeks to identify and report the most promising and significant research and practice models being implemented by professionals around the world through a variety of publication outlets. As a cornerstone of this effort, a monthly subscription to ISPCAN's flagship publication, *Child Abuse & Neglect: The International Journal*, is included with each ISPCAN membership. To further enhance the usefulness of the Journal, all members also receive online access to past issues of the Journal.

*Child Abuse & Neglect* is a peer reviewed journal published monthly, providing high-quality, international, multidisciplinary information on child abuse and neglect in order to better inform professionals and researchers working with these issues. To insure that articles are valuable to both researchers and practitioners, issues also include a section on "practice implications". In an effort to increase the international accessibility of the information, abstracts are published in English, French and Spanish. One of the most highly cited and influential journals in the field, it is a consistently strong resource, publishing over 100 articles and commentaries each year, including "Child and adolescent abuse and subsequent victimization: a prospective study," "Sexual violence and youth in South Africa: the need for community-based prevention interventions," and "Maternal use of physical punishment in response to child misbehavior: implications for child abuse prevention."

## World Perspectives on Child Abuse

ISPCAN members in 73 countries participated in gathering data for the *World Perspectives on Child Abuse: Seventh Edition* scheduled for release in September 2006.

The report is produced every two years, as part of ISPCAN's commitment to provide its membership and those combating violence with the most recent and comprehensive assessment possible on the state of child abuse policy and practice worldwide. The report Executive Summary (key findings) are available in English, French, Spanish, Russian and Arabic at: [www.ispcan.org](http://www.ispcan.org).

A central component of this publication is a mail survey of key informants identified as knowledgeable about child maltreatment issues within their respective countries. In addition to reporting the most recent survey findings, the *Seventh Edition* will incorporate commentaries on specific research projects or practice reforms underway in countries around the world, and a detailed annotated bibliography summarizing the content of key journal articles and government reports issued over the past two years.

## The LINK

To provide topical reports on specific child abuse and neglect issues faced by members, ISPCAN publishes *The LINK* newsletter. *The LINK* offers an exchange of information on challenges and best practices around the world, as well as information on ISPCAN and ISPCAN member activities, events, programs and ongoing outreach. 2005 Feature articles included, "Helping Children in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters," "Children with Disabilities and Child Maltreatment," and "Review of Current Global Trends in Child Protection Policy and Legislation." *The LINK* helps members remain connected to the Society and to their international, professional colleagues.

## Online Resources

ISPCAN makes use of available technology to strengthen the resources we are able to offer members. Specifically, our website allows members to download our publications, participate in a moderated listserv, and contribute to periodic Virtual Issues Discussions (VID) on specific child abuse prevention topics. The development of these electronic resources allows ISPCAN to more easily promote connections, information sharing, and mutual support among members who otherwise might never have come into direct contact.

## Member LISTSERV

The ISPCAN Member Listserv is available for members to discuss CAN-related issues, share resources, request peer consultation on case issues, network and collaborate. The listserv offers a simple and effective means for ISPCAN members to support each other's local efforts on a daily basis through informative exchanges. Nearly 650 messages on over 200 topics were posted to the ISPCAN member listserv in 2005. Key topics discussed on the listserv included:

- Mandated Reporting and Prosecution
- Children Affected by Tsunami and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Child Sexual Abuse—Primary Prevention
- Pregnancy Resulting from Sexual Assault
- Mandatory Training in CAN in Europe and elsewhere

## Virtual Issues Discussions (VID)

ISPCAN held Virtual Issues Discussions (VID) in 2005, as part of its ongoing series of focused discussions on current issues in the child abuse and neglect field. First introduced in December 2002, the VID offers ISPCAN members the opportunity to participate in on-line, in-depth discussions led by a core group of experts on a given topic.

The 2005 VID focused on Home Visitation as a strategy of prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect debated by members as one extremely effective option versus other prevention programs. Over 50 individuals from thirteen countries participated in this VID. The discussion was facilitated by experts from Australia, Hong Kong, South Africa, Sweden and the USA.

## UN Study on Violence Against Children: ISPCAN/ UNICEF Research Project

In response to the UN General Assembly's recommendation for an in-depth study of violence against children, UNICEF, WHO and the UNHCHR initiated a global process to gather relevant information from all countries of the world, to ultimately provide recommendations on strategies and methods to ameliorate the problem.

An NGO Subgroup was created to provide an organized forum for NGOs to actively contribute to the Study process and report development. ISPCAN was represented on the NGO Subgroup by Dr. Desmond Runyan (USA), and with ISPCAN's support, led an effort to improve the current lack of comparable international research on this topic. The NGO Subgroup welcomed the initiative and UNICEF, led by Gopalan Balagopal, actively supported and participated in this project.

ISPCAN initiated the development of international tools (questionnaires) to strengthen the collection and analysis of information and the understanding of Child Abuse and Neglect. Researchers and advocates for child protection have repeatedly identified the need for such work, especially in non-English speaking and developing countries.

### Countries involved in the study field test are:

Colombia, DR Congo, Egypt, India, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Malaysia and Russia.

**Directors of the project are:** Desmond Runyan (Univ of North Carolina, USA) and Michael Dunne (Queensland Univ of Technology, Australia). Deborah Daro (Univ of Chicago, USA) is Councillor Consultant.

**The three questionnaires: 1)** a parent interview that will ask about the child's exposure in the home, in schools and in the community; **2)** a young adult version, for adults who have recently become independent; and **3)** a child instrument for children over 11 years of age are designed to be complementary - alternatives to assessing violence against children. These questionnaires are designed to give the critical tools for an insight about abuse that too often goes unreported, unknown and unacknowledged.

ISPCAN's goal with this study is to provide a method to make reported incidence of all forms of violence more accurate and more representative of the true scope of the problem of violence against children.



# Training Projects International

The ISPCAN Training Projects – International program, funded by the Oak Foundation, has significantly increased in scope and depth in the past five years. The project's goal is to train local professionals and those engaged in protecting children in developing countries on child abuse and neglect prevention, treatment and research practice. In addition, the project seeks to expand local capacity by strengthening the organizations coordinating the training program and creating a strong, inter-disciplinary network of local professionals within each country.

The year 2005, marked the second year of funding for 3 countries, and the fifth year of training for an additional 11 countries in three continents: Africa, Asia and Latin America. The countries included: Cameroon, DR Congo, Kenya and South Africa in Africa; Argentina, Brazil and Colombia in Latin America; and India, Malaysia and Thailand in Asia. ITPI organizers in these countries conducted over 30 training sessions for hundreds of professionals in 2005, at introductory and more advanced levels.

Local organizers in each country are responsible for implementing specific training events and workshops aimed at multidisciplinary audiences, with consultation and technical assistance provided by the ISPCAN Education, Training and Consulting Committee. While the specific content of the training is determined at the project level, all ITPI participants are asked to address three core topics during the initiative: early detection and intervention; multimodal treatments; and applied research.

## 2005 ISPCAN Training Events

### AFRICA

**Cameroon** - April, May, November  
Treatment and prevention of child sexual abuse

**Congo, DR** - May, July  
Multidisciplinary approach to prevention of child sexual abuse and child labor

**Kenya** - July  
Prevention and protection against CAN: interdisciplinary training

**Ethiopia** – November  
National training for professionals on protection of children from maltreatment

**Malawi** – January, April  
Capacity building for professional service providers

**Benin** – September  
Prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse and child labor

**South Africa** – February, August, November  
Inter-sectoral management of child abuse

### ASIA

**China** - November  
National training workshop, Xi'an

**Malaysia** – April, July, September  
Child protection – strategic alliances in professionalism

**India** - November  
Capacity building and development of need-based educational materials for combating CAN

**Pakistan** - August, September  
Multidisciplinary training on CAN

**Thailand** - January, April  
Prevention in school, family, and community

### ARAB REGION

**Egypt** – July: Arab regional training on child abuse and neglect

**Syria** – June, November  
Capacity building for assessment of CAN in Syria

### EASTERN EUROPE

**Poland** - January to October  
Multidisciplinary seminars on CAN

**Estonia** – April, May, June  
Multidisciplinary training on CAN

### EUROPE

Portugal – March, June, September

### LATIN AMERICA

**Argentina** – March to December  
Prevention in school, family, and community. Physical and psychological indicators of Child Sexual Abuse: interventions from the legal & health care systems

**Brazil** – August, October  
Legal aspects and judicial framework, prevention issues

**Colombia** - May to December  
Prevention of maltreatment and child sexual abuse

### USA

**ISPCAN Global Institute 2005**  
Theme: Child Abuse Prevention – Good Practice Models around the World

Professionals accepted into the training programs also commit to undertake related responsibilities, such as organizing local programs and training events, or producing and sharing resource materials for their regions. Further, the ITPI projects seek to establish core groups of well-trained multi-disciplinary professionals, policy makers and mass media personnel in each region. Participants are thus expected to become active agents of change in shaping the local child abuse response system, so that the impact of ITPI continues beyond the initial training event. Capacity building with a view to ensure sustainability of child protection systems and services the projects have initiated or further developed, is a priority goal of the ITPI projects.

In order to further disseminate the results of ITPI training and to share resources, ISPCAN has included relevant information on its website: [www.ispcan.org/itpi](http://www.ispcan.org/itpi). The site also offers a "tool kit" of materials used in planning trainings, and will continue to be developed to act as a resource for individuals both within and outside ITPI to who are developing trainings on child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment. These larger ITPI training projects further assists member leaders of other, more modest ISPCAN Training projects (funded by other important donors, such as Kerkinactje, ICCO, and the ALCOA Foundation) in several other countries around the world.

## Developing Country Honorary Membership Awards

Each year, ISPCAN awards a minimum of 25 new Developing Country Honorary Memberships, with support from donors and partners. Each recipient receives full ISPCAN membership benefits for two years, including a complimentary subscription to Child Abuse & Neglect. The program is designed to extend ISPCAN memberships to leading professionals who are active in child abuse and neglect prevention in developing countries.

The 50 professionals receiving this honor in 2005 are listed below:

### 2005/2006 Recipients:

Samih Mo. Abu – Zakieh (Palestinian Territory)  
Cisse Abdoul Aziz – Lina (Senegal)  
Nirmal Busgopaul (Mauritius)  
Tirmacop Valentin Cristinel (Romania)  
Peggy Fairbairn-Dunlop (Samoa)  
Lyda Patricia Guarin – Martinez (Colombia)  
Maria Elena Iglesias – Lopez (Peru)  
Mohammad Ismail (Pakistan)  
Shiaka Kallon (Sierra Leone)  
Hasan Mahamud Khan (Bangladesh)  
Susan Kiarie (Kenya)  
Nema Mathieu Kolie (Guinea)  
Christopher Mazimba (Zambia)  
Elizabeth Mekonnen (Ethiopia)  
Mashaka Mgeta (Tanzania)  
Rajat Mitra (India)  
Petronella Nenjerama (Zimbabwe)  
Aramis Antonio Lopes Neto (Brazil)  
Bea Paszthy (Hungary)  
Sena Puhovski (Croatia)  
Mehdi Saeidpour (Iran)  
Gertrude C. Sejour (Haiti)  
Ho Anh Tuan (Vietnam)  
Youssef Waheeb (Egypt)  
Vladimir Yanchuk (Belarus)

### 2006-2007 Recipients:

Erki Korp (Estonia)  
Marie Josee Baudot (Mauritius)  
Theresia Citraningtyas (Indonesia)  
Adnan Farah (Jordan)  
Tipu Sultan (Pakistan)  
Ana Simic (Croatia)  
Yaser Moualla (Syria)  
Shambhu Dutt Joshi (Nepal)  
Goleanu Oriana Arabella (Romania)  
Elizabeth Molyneux (Malawi)  
Siriwan Grisurapong (Thailand)  
Anduena Shkurti (Albania)  
Maria Amelia Azevedo (Brazil)  
Ghazwan G. Maqor (Iraq)  
Abdul Karim S. Mahdi Alobedy (Iraq)  
Altin Hazizaj (Albania)  
Emmanuel Sackey (Ghana)  
Oksana Isaeva (Russia)  
Raul Heido (Estonia)  
Tania Moodley (South Africa)  
Onyinye Belinda Ndubisui (Nigeria)  
Iswanto SM (Indonesia)

## ISPCAN Events and National Partners - 2005



## 10th ISPCAN European Regional Conference

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The Xth ISPCAN European Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, "New Developments in Science and Practice: Influences on Child Protection," took place from 11-14 September 2005 in Berlin, Germany. The Conference was organized by The International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN) and The German Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (GESPCAN).

The Conference brought together presentations from all over Europe addressing topics such as Child Protection Systems in Europe, Medical Involvement in Child Protection and Social Work Practices. Delegates from 58 countries presented abstracts on these and other topics relevant to child abuse prevention in Europe. Speakers were invited to present in either English or German. The Conference attendees totaled almost 500 and represented over 60 countries.

Prominent European professionals in the field of child abuse prevention set the tone for the Conference. Presenters included Prof. Timan Furniss (Germany), Dr. Danya Glaser (UK), Marinus Van Ijzendoorn (Holland), Ulrich Kobbe (Germany), Dr. Kevin Browne (UK) and Dr. Helen Agathonos-Georgopoulou (Greece) presented on behalf of The EU Daphne/WHO Funded Project Team.

In addition, the Conference offered a special pre-Conference event for professionals from Eastern Europe. The Eastern European Institute was a two-day training that brought together 60 individuals from over 20 countries. The Institute called on professionals from Eastern Europe to share and discuss their knowledge and know-how working in the field of child abuse prevention considering their challenge of limited resources.

ISPCAN and GESPCAN continue to receive positive feedback on the Conference in Berlin. Attendees found the material presented to be worthwhile and relevant.

ISPCAN looks forward to hosting its next European Regional Conference in Lisbon, Portugal in November 2007.

## 6th Asian Regional Conference

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The 6th ISPCAN Asian Regional Conference "Protecting Children: Asian Perspectives and Beyond" was held in Singapore in November 2005. Hosted by the Singapore Children's Society and supported by the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports, the conference attracted over 450 delegates from 29 countries, including professionals and government officials in the fields of medicine, education, law enforcement and child welfare.

Mr. Kishore Mahbubani, Dean of Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, Professor Kim Oates, Chief Executive of the Children's Hospital of Westmead, Australia, and Professor Jaap Doek, Chairman of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child were the three Keynote speakers.

The Conference marked the launch of the ISPCAN Asian Regional Network. It held its first meeting during the 15th ISPCAN International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect on September 21, 2004 to discuss the possibility of facilitating collaborations among countries in the region. During the Asian Regional Conference Dinner, Professor Kim Oates, Chairman of the ISPCAN Membership Committee, acknowledged the launch of the Asian Regional Network by inviting 23 network representatives from 17 countries to the stage to present ISPCAN pins.

## Providing a Global Perspective: 6th Global Institute and 13th APSAC Colloquium

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ISPCAN has been organizing Global Institutes on Child Abuse and Neglect issues and offering an international perspective as part of the USA San Diego Annual Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment since 2000. In 2005, ISPCAN hosted the Sixth Annual Global Institute titled "Child Abuse Prevention – Good Practice Models Around the World", which involved participants from 8 countries around the world with a diverse set of knowledge and experience. The in-depth discussion focused on good practice models to prevent child abuse and neglect worldwide.

In a separate event, ISPCAN actively participated in the 13th Annual Colloquium and Cultural Institute, held in California, USA, by the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC), an ISPCAN National Partner. ISPCAN was able to bring three international expert speakers from Colombia, Honduras and Thailand to present recent findings, statistics and effective approaches, campaigns, programs and treatment strategies for use to combat child and family abuse and exploitation.

## National Partner Program

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A key component of ISPCAN's partnerships and collaborations with child abuse and neglect prevention professionals and organizations around the world is its National Partner Program. The Program identifies existing national professional organizations focusing on child abuse, as well as ISPCAN members interested in creating such an organization. Through this program, ISPCAN works to establish strong links among these organizations to create a more effective and powerful voice for child protection worldwide.

ISPCAN was pleased to welcome the following three new National Partners in 2005: AFECTO in Colombia, IEV in Democratic Republic of Congo, and CISMAI in Italy.

**COLOMBIA – AFECTO:** Founded in 1985, seeks to prevent all possible forms of abuse in children, girls and adolescents, as well as sensitize the public to these issues. The organization operates at the national level and employs a variety of strategies, such as group training, mobilizing public opinion, and the creation and facilitation of campaigns and investigations.

**CONGO, DEM. REP. – IUS et VITA (IEV):** I.E.V. became registered as an organization in April of 2000 with the goal of fighting against child labor and sexual abuse, and protecting human life. It seeks to promote Human Rights (especially those of children) and to create a new social culture of justice and humanism.

**ITALY - Italian Coordination of Services for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (CISMAI):** Formed in 1993, resulted from collaboration between 5 centers involved in child protection. It was inaugurated at the 4th European ISPCAN Conference in Padua with the purpose of creating a cultural and educational center for the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect with special emphasis on abuse within the family. The organization aims to develop the knowledge and competences of the different range of professionals involved in prevention and treatment of all forms of abuse and neglect.

**AUSTRALIA:** National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN)

**CAMEROON:** Cameroon Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (CASPCAN)

**COLOMBIA:** AFECTO

**CONGO, DEP. REP.:** IUS ET VITA (IEV)

**DENMARK:** Danish Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (DASPCAN)

**ETHIOPIA:** African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN - Ethiopia)

**FRANCE:** Association Francaise d'Information et de Recherche sur l'Enfance Maltraitee (AFIREM)

**GERMANY:** German Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (GESPCAN)

**HONG KONG, SAR:** Against Child Abuse (ACA)

**ITALY:** Italian Coordination of Services for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (CISMAI)

**JAPAN:** Japanese Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (JaSPCAN)

**MALAYSIA:** Malaysian Association for the Protection of Children (MAPC)

**NIGERIA:** African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN - Nigeria)

**NORDIC REGION:** National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN)

**SINGAPORE:** Singapore Children's Society

**SOUTH AFRICA:** South African Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (SASPCAN)

**UGANDA:** African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN - Uganda)

**UNITED KINGDOM:** British Association for the Study and Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (BASPCAN)

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:** American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC)

## Key Partners and Funders— Thank You!

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ISPCAN would like to recognize our most important partners and funders in 2005:

- Oak Foundation (Switzerland);
- UNICEF-International (New York);
- Alcoa Foundation (USA)
- Global Ministries/Children at Risk (Netherlands);
- ICCO: Interchurch Organization for Development Cooperation (Netherlands);
- OJJDP: Office of Justice and Juvenile Delinquency Prevention (USA)

The partnership and financial support of these organizations has enabled ISPCAN to support our members' 2005 training and education efforts in nearly 20 countries around the world, to develop much-needed resource materials tailored for their needs, and to provide honorary memberships to developing country members. These activities, in turn, help to develop and strengthen the professional expertise and capacity of professionals leading efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect in their countries.

## Donors and Volunteers

ISPCAN recognizes and greatly appreciates all donations of resources and personal time contributed in 2005. Thank you once again.

### Honorary Ambassadors

(contributions of US \$50,000 & Above)

#### Alcoa Foundation

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### ISPCAN would also like to thank the following organizations for supporting Council members in fulfilling ISPCAN's mission.

The Center on Child abuse and Neglect, Department of Pediatrics, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center  
The Chapin Hall Center for Children at the University of Chicago  
The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Canada  
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, University of Toronto

## Financial Data (Selected)

ISPCAN's current financial picture is strong, reflecting our success in developing and sustaining a diverse funding base. Income from our membership fees, publication royalties, international and regional conferences and grants have allowed ISPCAN to provide an expanded array of direct service to our members as well as support an increasing number of member-initiated projects targeting specific countries or regions.

In 2005, ISPCAN sponsored or co-sponsored a wide range of international and regional meetings including the European Conference (Germany), an Arab Regional Training Event (Egypt), the China National Training Workshop (China), and the Asian Regional Conference (Singapore). In addition, we provided multi-day trainings in 20 developing countries (DC), an increase over previous efforts to support professionals working in areas with very limited institutional support.

Looking across our specific revenue streams in 2005, membership revenue increased due to an increase in the number of members, which was due in part to a large increase of UNICEF memberships (over 150). ISPCAN dues remained at the same rate as the prior year - US\$130 (1 year) or \$240 (2 years), with a reduced rate for Developing Country\* members of \$50 (1 year) or \$95 (2 years). Other revenue streams showing strong increases in 2005 were income from the European Conference and grant support from foundations and international agencies.

Major 2005 ISPCAN program expenses included our expanded efforts in the area of education and training, particularly in developing regions; strategic planning around our developing country training; our increased management responsibility for our regional conferences; and expanded efforts in the areas of publications. ISPCAN's efforts related to the UN Study on Violence Against Children resulted in an increase in the area of research.

These financial data, while impressive, do not capture the total value of our programs and services. Thanks to the significant volunteer contributions of our members and National Partners, ISPCAN is able to provide a far richer array of training programs and offer professionals worldwide more intensive support. These volunteer resources also have assisted the Secretariat in holding administrative and operational costs to 12% of total expenses, a very modest level given the diversity and scope of our services.

ISPCAN is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization as designated by the U.S.A. Internal Revenue Service under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

\* Developing Country status is based on information from World Bank reports.

## Financial Audit 2005

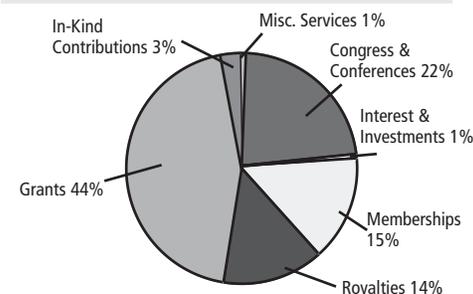
ISPCAN audited financial results for 2005: Current Assets at the end of 2005 were \$991,380; Property and Equipment at Cost (minus depreciation) was \$19,914. At the end of 2005, Total Assets were \$1,011,294 and Liabilities were \$208,731, bringing ISPCAN's year end Net Assets to \$802,563. This is a net increase of \$36,431.

ISPCAN is formally audited each year in accordance with relevant auditing standards. For a copy of the 2005 audited financial statements, please contact the ISPCAN Secretariat.

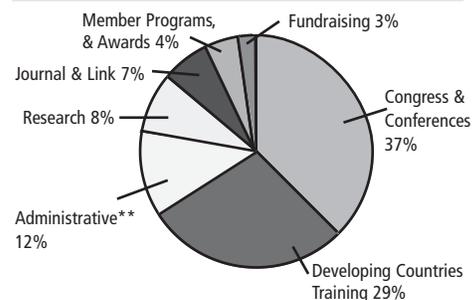
Revenue (\$)	2005	2004
Memberships	181,768	157,729
Grants	554,186	225,726
In-Kind Contributions	39,865	47,770
Royalties	178,060	176,285
Congress and Conferences	281,052	69,091
Interest/Investments	9,933	7,391
Miscellaneous Services	5,702	13,121
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,250,566</b>	<b>697,113</b>

Expenses (\$)	2005	2004
Developing Countries Training	346,216	254,928
Congress and Conferences	454,223	260,173
Administration/Operations	100,741	93,564
Membership Programs	52,570	77,493
Journal/Link	83,562	71,623
Executive Council/Nominations	14,083	18,595
Research	99,880	53,340
Fundraising	31,259	34,570
Recruiting	8,689	11,541
Awards	2,277	5,347
Strategic Planning	20,635	3,006
Guidelines	0	2,730
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,214,135</b>	<b>886,910</b>

### 2005 Revenue



### 2005 Expenses



\*\* Administrative = Administration/Operations, Executive Council/Nominations, Recruiting, Strategic Planning



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## ISPCAN Objectives

**To increase awareness of the extent, the causes and possible solutions for all forms of child abuse.**

**To disseminate academic and clinical research to those in positions to enhance practice and improve policy.**

**To support international efforts to promote and protect the Rights of the Child.**

**To improve the quality of current efforts to detect, treat and prevent child abuse.**

**To facilitate the exchange of best practice standards being developed by ISPCAN members throughout the world.**

**To design and deliver comprehensive training programs to professionals and concerned volunteers engaged in efforts to treat and prevent child abuse.**



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