

12<sup>th</sup> European Symposium on Suicide and Suicidal Behaviour  
Thistle Hotel, Glasgow  
27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2008

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2008

16.00 – 18.00

SESSION 1

16.00 – 16.20

Welcome  
*Symposium Executive*

Welcome  
*Shona Robison, Minister for Public Health, Scottish Government*

16.20 – 16.40

**Lessons from the specificities in suicide prevention around the world**  
*Brian Mishara (Canada)*

16.40 – 17.00

**Effectiveness of suicide prevention strategies and approaches**  
*Stephen Platt (Scotland)*

17.00 – 17.20

**Cognition, personality and suicidal risk**  
*Rory O'Connor (Scotland)*

17.20 – 17.45

**Why people die by suicide: a new theory of suicidal behaviour**  
*Thomas Joiner (USA)*

17.45 – 18.00

Discussion

19.00 – 20.00

Civic Reception  
City Chambers, Glasgow

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2008

09.00 – 10.45

SESSION 2

09.00 – 09.25

**Deliberate self-harm: prediction and prevention of repetition**  
*Ella Arensman (Ireland)*

09.25 – 09.35

Discussion

09.35 – 10.00

**The chain of care for suicide attempters**  
*Lars Mehlum (Norway)*

10.00 – 10.10

Discussion

10.10 – 10.35

**Evidence-based clinical care for deliberate self-harm**  
*Keith Hawton (England)*

10.35 – 10.45

Discussion

10.45 – 11.15

TEA/COFFEE

11.15 – 13.15

SESSION 3 – PARALLEL SESSIONS

13.15 – 14.15

LUNCH

14.15 – 16.00

SESSION 4

14.15 – 14.40

**Preventing teen suicide: a review of school-based strategies**  
*Madelyn Gould (USA)*

- 14.40 – 14.50 Discussion
- 14.50 – 15.15 **Lost in translation : transferring suicide prevention from research to policy**  
*Annette Beautrais (New Zealand)*
- 15.15 – 15.25 Discussion
- 15.25 – 15.50 **Interdisciplinary challenges in suicide prevention research**  
*Jane Pearson (USA)*
- 15.50 – 16.00 Discussion
- 16.00 – 16.20 *TEA/COFFEE*
- 16.20 – 18.00 SESSION 5 – PARALLEL SESSIONS**
- 19.00 – 20.00 New Investigators' Social Event  
Thistle Hotel, Glasgow

## Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2008

- 09.00 – 10.45 SESSION 6**
- 09.00 – 09.25 **Randomized clinical trial studies of the Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS)**  
*David Jobes (USA)*
- 09.25 – 09.35 Discussion
- 09.35 – 10.00 **Worrying as a proximal risk factor for suicidal behaviour: evidence and opportunities for prevention**  
*Ad Kerkhof (Netherlands)*
- 10.00 – 10.10 Discussion
- 10.10 – 10.35 **Mindfulness and suicidal modes of mind**  
*Mark Williams (England)*
- 10.35 – 10.45 Discussion
- 10.45 – 11.15 *TEA/COFFEE*
- 11.15 – 13.15 SESSION 7 – PARALLEL SESSIONS**
- 13.15 – 14.15 *LUNCH*
- 14.15 – 16.00 SESSION 8**
- 14.15 – 14.40 **The relationship between suicide risk, somatisation and somatic illness**  
*Andrej Marusic (Slovenia)*
- 14.40 – 14.50 Discussion
- 14.50 – 15.15 **Genes and childhood translated into the neurobiology of suicide**  
*John Mann (USA)*
- 15.15 – 15.25 Discussion
- 15.25 – 15.50 **Suicidal Brains**  
*Kees Van Heeringen (Belgium)*
- 15.50 – 16.00 Discussion

16.00 – 16.20 TEA/COFFEE

**16.20 – 18.00** SESSION 9 – PARALLEL SESSIONS

19.00 – late Symposium Dinner  
Science Museum, Glasgow

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

**09.00 – 11.00** SESSION 10 – PARALLEL SESSIONS

11.00 – 11.30 TEA/COFFEE

**11.30 – 14.00** SESSION 11

11.30 - 11.55 **What kind of research do we need in suicidology today?**  
*Heidi Hjelmeland (Norway)*

11.55 – 12.05 Discussion

12.05 – 12.30 **Prediction and prevention of suicide in bipolar disorders**  
*Zoltán Rihmer (Hungary)*

12.30 – 12.40 Discussion

12.40 – 13.05 **Religiosity and suicide acceptability: a cross-national analysis**  
*Steven Stack (USA)*

13.05 – 13.15 Discussion

13.15 – 14.00 Closing address & prizes

Where next? ESSSB13 and ESSSB14

14.00 Close of symposium