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ARWA

ASSOCIATION FOR READING AND WRITING IN ASIA

THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Goa, India (2019)

We had a wonderful annual conference this year in Goa, India, from February 28-March 1, 2019. Profs. Veeky Baths and Malatesha Joshi did an amazing job of pulling the conference together. The conference was held at the campus of Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS). There were approximately 120 participants from different regions who came for the conference. We thank Profs. Malt Joshi and Veeky Baths, as well as Catherine McBride (ARWA president) for organizing the entire event, including a conference dinner in the Bogmallo Beach Resort, where the beach and the sunset were spectacular!





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*Selected highlights from
Goa, India (2019)*

Dr Pooja Nakamura shared “Theory, practice and policy of literacy acquisition in multilingual contexts” with her keynote speech. Another keynote speech came from Professor Julie Washington, who shared her experience and research on literacy development in children growing up in poverty.

One special feature of the event was the hosting of a lunch for graduate students with their “academic crushes.” Both students and participating professors seemed to enjoy the close interactions very much.

“ In Arabic, ARWA means ‘gracefulness,’ ‘beauty,’ ‘satisfied,’ and ‘fresh.’ ”

The first two ARWA travel awards were given to Fateme Mohseni and Arpitha Vasudevamurthy for their outstanding submissions to the conference. Funding for the awards came from a generous Hong Kong-based donor. We encourage all students to apply for these awards for 2020 in Beijing!



In honor of Prof. Akira Uno and Prof. Malt Joshi

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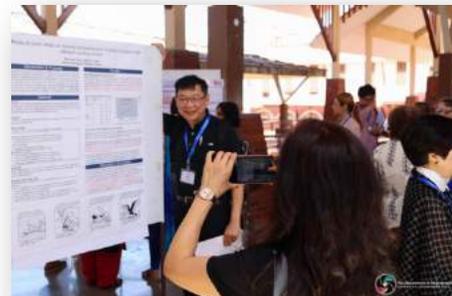


A special retirement gift was given by Prof. Taeko Wydell, representing the Board of ARWA, to Professor Akira Uno, to honor his contribution to reading and writing research for more than 30 years. Prof. Uno initiated the East Asia Reading & Spelling Association (EARAS), the predecessor of ARWA, in 2014. This was a great foundation promoting literacy research and communications in Asia. Professor Uno expressed his best wishes for the continued success of ARWA and psychological research in Asia. Professor Taeko Wydell

Professor Malt Joshi received an award for dedication to ARWA during the conference dinner. Professor Joshi not only organized the 2019 ARWA conference, but he also opened up the opportunity for ARWA participants to contribute to a special issue of Reading and Writing, a journal he founded more than 30 years ago, yearly. He is an outstanding talent in promoting cross-cultural literacy work.

Special Issue in Reading & Writing

Our 2019 Goa ARWA conference marked the first year in which we had the opportunity submit our work for consideration for a special issue in Reading and Writing, guest-edited by Joanne Arciuli. All papers under consideration had to have been presented at ARWA, Goa, and will go through the normal double-blind reviews of the journal. Depending upon quality, this special issue is expected to consist of roughly 5-10 papers; if more papers are accepted, they will go into a regular issue. The deadline for submitting the complete paper was April 15, 2019. We look forward both to the Goa special issue and also to the next special issue showcasing our work at ARWA, Beijing, in 2020. Thanks to Malt Joshi for this opportunity!





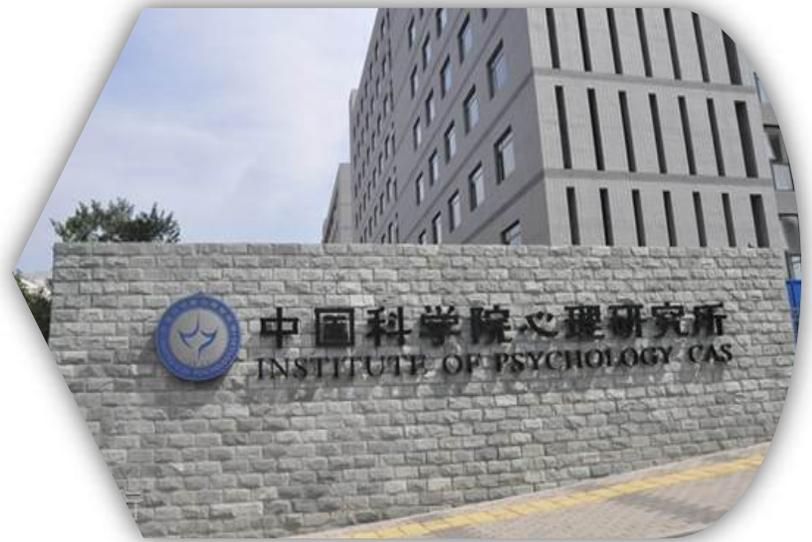
CALL FOR PAPERS (Fall 2019)

*The Fourth Annual Conference
Beijing, China (2020)*

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHOLOGY, CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

ARWA is a young and energetic organization in literacy research. The 2019, 2018, and 2017 conferences successfully brought together academic researchers, both Ph.Ds and graduate students, from all around the world. Future ARWA conferences promise better and better presentations on research and practice of reading and writing

in Asia. Join us for the fourth ARWA annual conference, which will be held from February 27 - 28, 2020 in Beijing, China. Authors are kindly invited to submit their oral and poster presentations. Please visit our website in Fall 2019 for more details: <https://ww5.psy.cuhk.edu.hk/arwa/index.php/front-page-content/arwa-2020/>



Join us now!



ARWA Fees Structure and Association Annual Dues:

- USD\$160 Regular member
- USD\$80 Student member

50% off special pricing is available for lower-middle-income and low-income economies

- USD\$80 Regular member with special pricing
- USD\$40 Student member with special pricing

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