



Yield Newsletter - April 2014

Dear Yield members,

In this Newsletter, we would like to inform you about the latest Yield activities and upcoming Yield lab meetings.

Lab meetings

In the lab meeting of 20th of March, we discussed the topic “The general risk assessment tool”. The aim of this study is to develop and validate a general risk assessment tool for assessing the risk for developmental problems (problems in psychosocial and cognitive functioning), with the final goal to: (a) improve the measurement of developmental and contextual risk factors of child development and (b) to improve the comparability of results of different studies, disciplines, and cultures. We had a fruitful discussion and a draft document has been developed. The next step is to decide where to submit a grant proposal and to develop the idea in more detail.

Up-coming meetings

Thursday 24th of April at 11:00, location GS.03: In this meeting, the topic will be “The curious mind: risk or benefit”. Research ideas regarding concept and measurement of curiosity, the development of curiosity and the risks and benefits of curiosity in education will be discussed. Also, possibilities for grant submissions will be discussed (among others: NWO PROO 2015 and Spencer 2014). Involved researchers are invited but if you would like to come to the meeting send an e-mail to Mariëlle de Reuver (j.m.dereuver@uva.nl) or Helle Larsen (h.larsen@uva.nl)

Thursday 22nd of May at 11:00, location GS.28A: “The effects of implementation of tablets use in schools”

Thursday 19th of June at 11:00, location GS.28A: We will inform you about this topic in the Newsletter of May.

Both topics, “The curious mind: risk or benefit” and “The effects of implementation of tablets use in schools” were discussed during the Yield day. See February’s Newsletter (<http://cde.uva.nl/research/rpa-yield>) for a short description.

Yield news

Yield’s Annual Report for 2013 was submitted. We can conclude that although Yield was only established in September 2013, we have already accomplished a lot (e.g., the Yield day, constructive lab meetings, and two large grant submissions).

On 18 March you received an email where we asked you to actively confirm your Yield membership by filling in the Yield application form (see attachment). Many of you already filled out the form. For those of you who did not yet fill out the form: it is still possible to send it in and we will be happy to register you as a member. Do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any questions regarding the application form or membership.

When to mention your Yield affiliation: as a Yield member, the Yield affiliation should be mentioned (next to your primary affiliation) in publications and presentations about your research if it is Yield-related. Researchers who are funded by Yield should always have Yield as their affiliation.

With kind regards, on behalf of the Yield Team,
Frans Oort, Mariëlle de Reuver and Helle Larsen