Dear Yield members,

In this Newsletter, we would like to update you on Yield news and activities.

**News**

**Positions and grants**
Maartje Raijmakers was given an extension of 5 years of her position as Professor by special appointment at the UvA. The position is supported by NEMO Science Museum in Amsterdam.

**Research Talent**
Yield Graduate Programme student Adela Isvoranu received an NWO Research Talent grant. She will conduct her project entitled ‘Psychosis: Towards a Dynamical Systems Approach’ together with Yield PI Denny Borsboom and Jim van Os.

Two more Research Talent grants were awarded to projects also supervised by Yield PI’s: Scaling Methods for Multilevel Test Data by Letty Koopman supervised by Andries van der Ark and Bonne Zijlstra, and Synchrony of Emotional Communication and Pointing in Infancy: An Investigation on the Early Developmental Trajectories of Social-Communicative Functioning by Eliala Salvadori supervised by Cristina Colonnesi and Frans Oort.

**Academic Workplace Education**
One of the two given grants for an academic workplace in primary education from the Netherlands Initiative for Educational Research (NRO) was awarded to a consortium in which Yield PI Monique Volman is involved. In a two year pilot this consortium will inquire into the capacities of teachers regarding the theme of ‘diversity’. The consortium consists of three school boards (ASKO/STAI/Sirius) and three Amsterdam research institutions (HvA/UvA/Kohnstamm Instituut). For more information about the specific goals and plans, see [http://www.uva.nl/disciplines/pedagogiek-en-onderwijskunde/home/componenten-middenkolom/nieuws-powl/nieuws-powl/content/folder-2/2016/06/subsidietoekenning-nro.html](http://www.uva.nl/disciplines/pedagogiek-en-onderwijskunde/home/componenten-middenkolom/nieuws-powl/nieuws-powl/content/folder-2/2016/06/subsidietoekenning-nro.html) (in Dutch).

**Yield Graduate Programme: PhD applications**
On 15 April 2016, a total of 13 internal and external candidates submitted their PhD-proposals for the Yield Graduate Programme (YGP). Of all submissions, four proposals can be honoured. The final interviews are being held the first week of July after which the four honoured candidates will be chosen.

Kind regards, on behalf of the Yield team

Frans Oort, Mariëlle de Reuver and Helle Larsen
**Overview of Yield meetings**

**Childhood education and family support**

Biweekly colloquia are held. Ongoing research is presented and discussed. Contact: Alithe van den Akker (A.L.vandenAkker@uva.nl)

**Brain & Cognition**

Biweekly colloquia are held (see http://www.dutcharc.nl/links/labmeetings/). Contact: Cédric Koolschijn (P.C.M.P.Koolschijn@uva.nl)

**Education and Instruction, learning processes and child development**

Education organises ‘Educational Science Colloquia’ approximately bimonthly. These meetings consist of presentations of research and occasionally external speakers are invited. Contact: Madelon van den Boer (M.vandenBoer@uva.nl) and Marloes Muijselaar (M.M.L.Muijselaar@uva.nl)

Education and Instruction, learning processes and child development also have combined colloquia which are held monthly. In these meetings, ongoing research is presented and research proposals are discussed. Contact: Madelon van den Boer (M.vandenBoer@uva.nl)

**Developmental psychology and Developmental and parenting problems**

Combined OOP (Susan Bögels’ lab)/ADAPT (Reinout Wiers’ lab) colloquia are held once a month. Here ongoing research is presented and discussed. Contact: Bram van Bockstaele (B.D.vanBockstaele@uva.nl)

Code – P colloquia are held biweekly (Hilde Huizenga’s lab and Maartje Raijmakers’ lab). In these meetings, research is presented and discussed. Contact: Laura Dekkers (L.M.S.Dekkers@uva.nl)

**AMC Pediatrische Psychologie Kennisoverdracht Bijeenkomst**

These are monthly research meetings, often with (external) presentations. The meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month from 12:00-13:00. Contact: Marieke de Vries (marieke.devries@amc.uva.nl)

**Tinbergen Institute**

The Tinbergen Institute is the research institute and graduate school of the economist from the UvA, VU and EUR. These are open seminars where Yield researchers are welcome. The topics are rather broad. Contact: Nienke Ruis (N.M.Ruijs@uva.nl)

**Psychometrics: Methods &Statistics (POWL) and Psychological Methods (Psychology)**

Combined M&S (POWL) and PM (Psychology) biweekly meetings on Psychometrics. Wednesdays 12:00-13:00. Contact: Andries van der Ark (L.A.vanderArk@uva.nl)