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The Primate Mind

Built to Connect with Other Minds

Erice, Sicily (Italy), June 4-7, 2009

Organizers:

Frans B.M. De Waal (Emory University)
Pier Francesco Ferrari (Università di Parma)

A high-level workshop of experts of ethology, biology, neuroscience, and cognition that will address how the primate mind relates to other minds through empathy, imitation, and other social cognition.

Sessions will cover the following five themes:

- 1) Motor mimicry, imitation, and tool use,
- 2) Emotional contagion and empathy,
- 3) Understanding of others and perspective-taking,
- 4) Communication and perception of emotions, and
- 5) Altruism and cooperation.

Alphabetical list of invited speakers:

AURELI, Filippo - BARD, Kim - BARON-COHEN, Simon
DE WAAL, Frans - FERRARI, Pier Francesco - HARE, Brian
HOPKINS, William - HUBER, Ludwig - IACOBONI, Marco
IRIKI, Atsushi - MATSUZAWA, Tetsuro - MENZEL, Charlie
PARR, Lisa - SANTOS, Laurie - SINGER, Tania
VISALBERGHI, Elisabetta - WHITEN, Andrew

Other contributions

A limited number of young scientists and students will be selected to offer brief oral presentations. A poster session will allow further scientific contributions by participants.

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