

From the Editors

Editorial Report and Acknowledgement of Reviewers, 2016

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In 2016, the *Journal of Social and Political Psychology* (JSPP) has continued with the publication of two issues per year. Issue No 1 included a Special Thematic Section on “Rethinking Prefigurative Politics”, guest-edited by Jan Haaken, Flora Cornish, Sharon Jackson and Liara Moskovitz. This selection of articles sits squarely at the intersection of psychology and politics. It “responds to the 21st century proliferation of social movements characterised by the slogans ‘another world is possible’ and ‘be the change you want to see’” and “explores prefigurative politics as a means of instantiating radical social change in a context of widening global inequalities, climate change, and the crises and recoveries of neoliberal global capitalism” (Cornish, Haaken, Moskovitz, & Jackson, 2016, p. 114). Our sincere thanks to the guest-editorial team for contributing such an important Special Thematic Section to JSPP!

Issue No 1 also included – apart from our editorial report for 2015 – 11 additional articles on diverse topics within social and political psychology: seven original research articles, one theoretical article, two commentaries, and one review article. Issue No 2 completes the annual volume with eight more contributions: five original research articles and three commentaries.

Two Special Thematic Sections are currently in progress and are scheduled to appear this year and next year – “Collective Memories and Present-Day Intergroup Relations: A Social-Psychological Perspective” (guest-edited by Ana Figueiredo, Borja Martinovic, Jonas Rees, and Laurent Licata; planned for Vol 5, No 1) and “Multiple Perspectives in Conflict Settings: From Diversity to Pluralism” (guest-edited by Sandra Penic, Guy Elcheroth, Steve Reicher, and Ramila Usoof-Thowfeek; planned for Vol 6, No 1).

Due to the high number of submissions (see below), in 2016 we also expanded our editorial team and were joined by the following new Associate Editors: Guy Elcheroth, University of Lausanne, Switzerland; Nurit Shnabel, Tel Aviv University, Israel; Laura K. Taylor, Queen’s University Belfast, Northern Ireland; and Jojanneke van der

Toorn, Utrecht University, the Netherlands – welcome and thank you for your support! Our editorial team now consists of two Editors and ten Associate Editors, altogether from ten different countries.

Submission Numbers and Decisions

Outside the Special Thematic Sections, 79 new manuscripts were submitted to JSPP in 2016. The first decisions and editorial status of these submissions are presented in Table 1. For these submissions (without those that were desk-rejected, which took place within 1 to 45 days), the average duration from submission to the first decision was slightly below three months ($M = 81.2$, $SD = 35.3$; ranging from 10 to 182 days). In addition to the new submissions, 26 submissions from earlier years are currently still active in the editorial system; 3 of these have now been accepted for publication.

Table 1

Number of Submissions and First Decisions

Total Submissions	Desk-Rejected	Under Review	Rejected	Revise & Resubmit	Accepted
79	22 ^a	15	15	26 ^b	6

^aIncludes 4 manuscripts that were “desk-returned” to the authors with an invitation to resubmit after revisions. ^bOf these, 16 manuscripts are currently with the author/s, 5 have been published or accepted for publication, 4 are under review or with the handling editor, and 1 has been withdrawn by the author/s.

Publications, Citations, and Download Statistics

To date, JSPP has published (without our editorial articles) 116 peer-reviewed articles (34 of which were published in 2016). According to Google Scholar (see <http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=knb2n1kAAAAJ>), these articles have already been cited 489 times (as of 30 January, 2017). Table 2 summarizes in which countries the authors of these 116 articles are based. If one considers the frequencies for all coauthors, 34 percent are based outside of the Anglo-American world (USA, UK, Canada, and Australia); in total the authors are based in 31 different countries, including several African, Asian, and Latin American countries.

We are pleased to say that, due to the quality of published articles and solid citation patterns, JSPP has recently been accepted for inclusion in Scopus. Thus, in the future, JSPP articles can be found and located via this database as well.

Table 2

Location of the Authors Who Published in JSPP Between 2013 and 2016

Country	First authors	All coauthors
United States	31	84
United Kingdom	25	66
Canada	10	25
Australia	9	25
The Netherlands	5	15
Finland	5	13
Rwanda	4	10
Italy	3	8
Germany	3	7
Israel	2	5
France	2	3
Spain	2	3
Norway	2	2
South Africa	1	5
Hungary	1	4
Greece	1	3
India	1	3
Portugal	1	2
Sweden	1	2
Brazil	1	1
Denmark	1	1
Egypt	1	1
Ghana	1	1
Malaysia	1	1
Somaliland	1	1
Turkey	1	1
Belgium	0	6
Austria	0	2
Costa Rica	0	2
Switzerland	0	2
Lebanon	0	1

The number of articles downloaded from JSPP's website over the year is presented in [Figure 1](#), by month. For comparison, the average monthly downloads for 2014 and 2015 are included on the left side. The numbers have further increased, although at a slower rate than before.

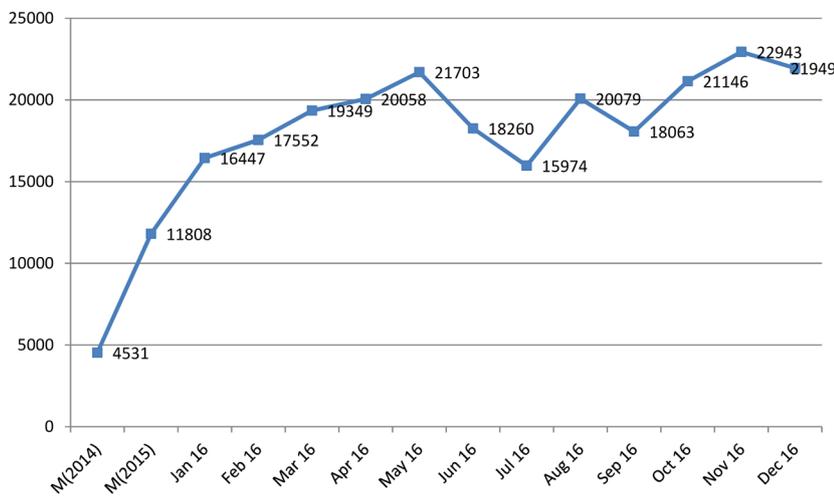


Figure 1. Number of article downloads per month in 2016.

The top ten articles in terms of download frequencies (as of 30 January 2017) are listed in Tables 3 and 4. Table 3 includes all articles that have been published so far in JSP, and Table 4 only those published in 2016.

Table 3

Top Ten Most Frequently Downloaded Articles Published Between 2013 and 2016

Article title and authors	Downloads	Publication date
The Role of the Media in the Construction of Public Belief and Social Change (Happer & Philo)	130519	Dec 16, 2013
Dramatic Social Change: A Social Psychological Perspective (de la Sablonnière et al.)	34871	Dec 16, 2013
A Complex Systems Approach to the Study of Ideology: Cognitive-Affective Structures and the Dynamics of Belief Systems (Homer-Dixon et al.)	20161	Dec 16, 2013
Objectification, Self-Objectification, and Societal Change (Zurbriggen)	15803	Dec 16, 2013
Who Coined the Concept of Ethnocentrism? A Brief Report (Bizumic)	13705	Jan 31, 2014
The Relationship Between Political Ideology and Attitudes Toward Tax Compliance: The Case of Italian Taxpayers (Lozza et al.)	10601	Sept 4, 2013
Recurrent Fury: Conspiratorial Discourse in the Blogosphere Triggered by Research on the Role of Conspiracist Ideation in Climate Denial (Lewandowsky et al.)	9725	Jul 8, 2015
Differential Effects of Right-Wing Authoritarianism and Social Dominance Orientation on Political Candidate Support: The Moderating Role of Message Framing (Crawford, Brady, et al.)	8640	Sept 4, 2013
Insights from Societal Psychology: The Contextual Politics of Change (Howarth et al.)	8460	Dec 16, 2013
Towards a 'Science of Movement': Identity, Authority and Influence in the Production of Social Stability and Social Change (Reicher & Haslam)	6740	Dec 16, 2013

Table 4

Top Ten Most Frequently Downloaded Articles Published in 2016

Article title and authors	Downloads	Publication date
Science and the Public: Debate, Denial, and Skepticism (Lewandowsky et al.)	5992	Aug 18, 2016
Changing the NHS a Day at a Time: The Role of Enactment in the Mobilisation and Prefiguration of Change (Moskovitz & Garcia-Lorenzo)	2688	May 24, 2016
Disentangling Islamophobia: The Differential Effects of Symbolic, Realistic, and Terroristic Threat Perceptions as Mediators Between Social Dominance Orientation and Islamophobia (Uenal)	1475	Apr 7, 2016
Constructing Work and Subjectivities in Precarious Conditions: Psycho-Discursive Practices in Young People's Interviews in Greece (Kesisoglou et al.)	1152	Mar 1, 2016
Ethnic and Gender Discrimination in Recruitment: Experimental Evidence From Finland (Liebkind et al.)	1160	Jun 14, 2016
Activism as a Heroic Quest for Symbolic Immortality: An Existential Perspective on Collective Action (Elad-Strenger)	1108	Mar 11, 2016
Understanding the Persistence of Caste: A Commentary on Cotterill, Sidanius, Bhardwaj and Kumar (2014) (Jogdand et al.)	1104	Aug 18, 2016
American State Gun Law Strength and State Resident Differences in Neuroticism Levels (McCann & Zawila)	1053	Apr 7, 2016
Examining Prejudice Reduction Through Solidarity and Togetherness Experiences Among Gezi Park Activists in Turkey (Acar & Uluğ)	973	May 24, 2016
Claps and Claptrap: The Analysis of Speaker-Audience Interaction in Political Speeches (Choi et al.)	899	Feb 16, 2016

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