EASP Small Group Meeting, Lisbon, 2010 Developmental Perspectives on Intergroup Prejudice: Advances in Theory, Measurement, and Intervention.

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Over the last decade, research on the development of prejudice in childhood has combined researchers from both the fields of social and developmental psychology. This work has proven to be important for understanding how the development of prejudice in childhood and adolescence is related to prejudice in adulthood, and has also informed intervention research.

The development of explicit prejudice has a long history in social psychology. In addition, social psychological research in the 80s and 90s focused on "subtle" prejudice due to antiracist norms in western societies (i.e., Pettigrew & Meertens, 1995). And more recently new work on subtle 'implicit' prejudice within children has emerged (i.e., forthcoming special issue on "Origins of Intergroup Bias: Developmental and Social Cognitive Research on Intergroup Attitudes " in the *European Journal of Social Psychology*). This meeting will serve as a unique opportunity for experts to share their knowledge and experience regarding these issues. In addition, the conference will be a forum for discussing to what extent existing measures addressing implicit prejudice in adults are capable of capturing implicit prejudice in children. Finally, new methods of measurement of implicit and explicit prejudice in children will be discussed.

The meeting will bring together junior and senior researchers from different backgrounds (particularly Developmental Psychology and Social Psychology) both within and outside Europe. The aim is to get an overview of the theoretical and methodological advances in the social-developmental study of prejudice and, in addition to initiate new collaborations for current and future researchers in this field.

The format of communication will include keynotes by Prof. Dr. Melanie Killen (University of Maryland, USA) and Prof. Dr. Karen Wynn (Yale University, USA). In addition there will be short presentations by junior and senior researchers followed by discussions initiated by discussants, as well as posters (including a five minute presentation of the poster). The focus will be on measurement of explicit and implicit attitudes (i.e., do they match?), development of new methods and metatheoretical frameworks to guide the research questions (i.e., Social Identity Developmental Theory, Socio-normative Theory, Social Domain Theory, Developmental Intergroup Theory). In addition, a main aim of the meeting is to identify key questions and to set out future research lines. This will be a small group meeting with around 30 participants which facilitates interaction. More information about the program will follow. In case you would like to know more please visit the website (http://harmonia.cis.iscte.pt) or contact one of the members of the organizing team:

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