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GENACIS and Harms to Others Joint Dinner, Kampala, Uganda

The 2013 GENACIS and Harms to Others Joint Dinner was held at the Speke Conference Center on Lake Victoria, in conjunction with the 39th Annual Symposium of the Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol. The 2014 KBS Symposium will be held in Torino, Italy, June 9-13, 2014.

22ND ANNUAL GENACIS WORKSHOP

Please join us for the 22nd Annual GENACIS Workshop on June 8 at the University of Torino, Campus Luigi Einaudi (CLE), beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding at 5:00 p.m. A joint meeting of GENACIS and IGSAHO (International Group for the Study of Alcohol's Harms to Others) will be held on Tuesday, June 10, at 5:30 p.m., followed by a group dinner.

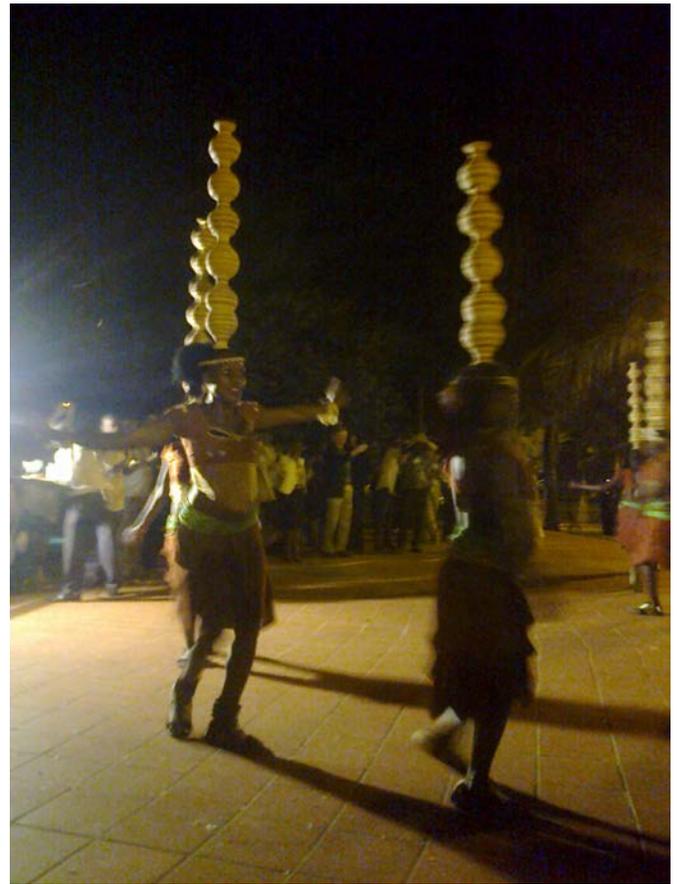


Congratulations, Professor Gmel!

Psychologist Gerhard Gmel has been a GENACIS member for many years and has made extremely important contributions to GENACIS's success. Perhaps most significant is his meticulous work -- with colleagues Sandra Kuntsche, Hervé Kuendig, Mariana Astudillo, and others -- to design, develop, and maintain a data archive that includes all survey datasets (now 39) from the GENACIS Project. The data archive is housed at the Addiction Switzerland Research Institute (formerly the Swiss Institute for the Prevention of Alcohol and Drug Problems [SIPA]) in Lausanne, from which the team sends data CDs to GENACIS members for use in their cross-national comparative data analyses and publications. Members also receive the GENACIS Codebook and "Cookbook" containing information about survey characteristics, questions and response categories, and other information specific to each survey -- essential guides for interpreting and using the GENACIS data. The pride the Lausanne team (and all of GENACIS) takes in the well-designed and user-friendly data archive in Lausanne is reflected in team members' occasional reference to it as "our baby."

Some GENACIS members may not know that Professor Gmel also has a distinguished academic career. His most recent honor was his promotion to the rank of Associate Professor in the Faculty of Biology and Medicine of the University of Lausanne. He presented his inaugural lecture at the university

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Dancers entertained KBS attendees at the Monday night reception near the shore of Lake Victoria in Kampala.

(Professor Gmel, continued)

on May 21, 2013, on the topic of alcohol's contribution to the global burden of disease, including its Swiss-specific dimensions. Appointed Privat-Docent and Master of Education and Research in the Faculty of Biology and Medicine in 2006, Professor Gmel was promoted to Associate Professor in August 2012. Since 2005, Gerhard has divided his time between the Addiction Switzerland Research Institute, where he is a principal investigator on many addiction research projects, and the Alcohol Service of the University Hospital of Lausanne (CHUV), where he is a senior researcher. He is also Affiliate Scientist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health of Toronto (Canada) and Visiting Professor at the University of the West of England in Bristol (UK).



Two Honors for Yunusa

Mufutau Yunusa is a new member of GENACIS who joined our group during the 2013 KBS meetings in Kampala. Yunusa is Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant in the Department of Psychiatry at the Usmanu Danfodiyo University in Sokoto, Nigeria. His university recently appointed him to serve as the Acting Head of the Department of Psychiatry for a 2-year term.

Yunusa was awarded a second honor earlier this year when his research group received a grant from the TETFund (Tertiary Education Trust Fund) National Research Fund for a community-based consanguinity study. Consanguinity is a cultural practice in which individuals who are related by blood (for example, first cousins) marry each other. Many diseases, including alcohol use disorders, have a genetic component. Where consanguinity is practiced, the genetic loading for a particular characteristic or disease may be so high that there is increased chance of offspring developing a genetically-influenced disease, likely in a more severe form than in their parents.

The consanguinity study by Yunusa's research group will focus on the Gwandu community in the Kebbi State of Nigeria. The major research question is whether consanguinity, which is practiced by about one-fifth of the world's population, contributes to mental and neurological morbidity in Sub-Saharan Africa. Although there have been studies consanguinity in several countries (including England, Germany, and the U.S.), this is believed to be the first such study in Sub-Saharan Africa. It is hoped that the knowledge gained will increase the body of knowledge on the influence of consanguinity on disease distribution among at least 1.2 billion people worldwide, particularly in the Middle East, North Africa, and some countries in Asia where consanguinity is prevalent.

UND GENACIS Website Upgraded

Beginning August 1, 2014, the GENACIS website based at the University of North Dakota will have a new look – and a new web address.

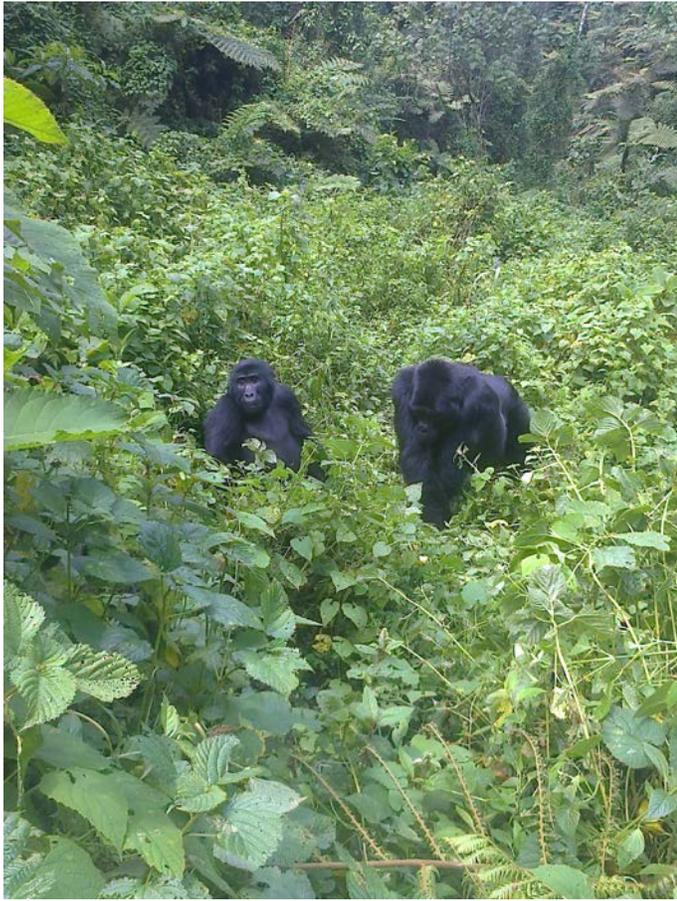
Website technicians at UND have made a number of changes in the GENACIS website to make its format more compatible with that of other websites at the university and within the UND medical school. While the formatting changes were being made, the UND GENACIS team also updated some of the information on the website, including names and contact information for several country study directors and an updated list of GENACIS Project publications – now numbering more than 150!

One additional feature of the upgraded website is an electronic paper proposal form that can be filled out online and emailed directly to Sharon for review by the GENACIS steering committee.

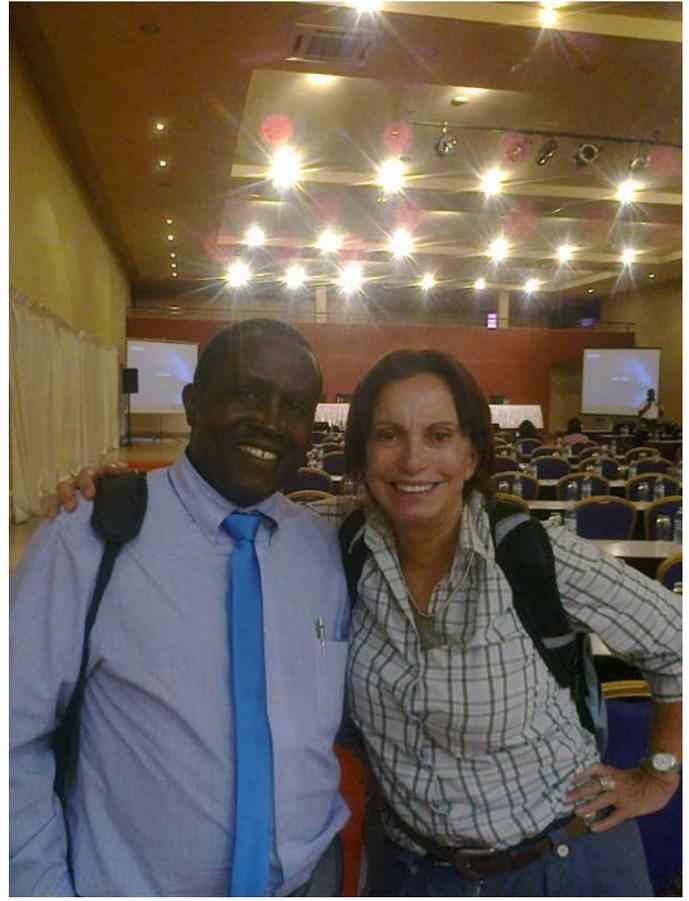
The new website address – beginning August 1 – will be <http://www.med.und.edu/genacis/>. When you visit the upgraded website, please let either Sharon (sharon.wilsnack@med.und.edu) or Arlinda (arlinda.kristjanson@med.und.edu) know if you encounter any problems or errors, or if you have suggestions for other changes or additions to the website.

The GENACIS website at the Addiction Switzerland Research Institute in Lausanne will continue to have the same address:

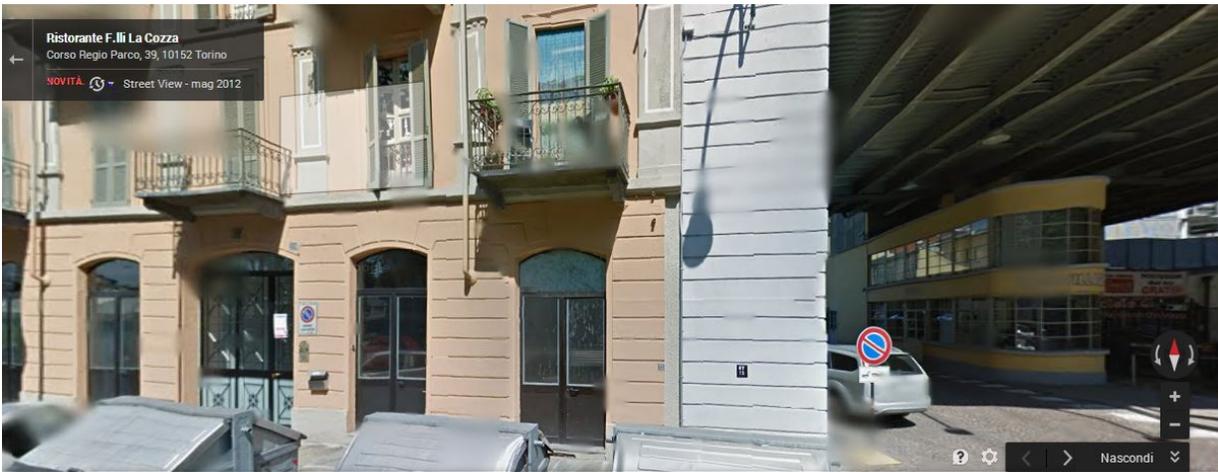
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Gorillas 'people watching' tourists in Uganda.



GENACIS friends reconnecting at KBS 2013 in Kampala (Nazarius Mbona Tumwesigye [Uganda] and Raquel Magri [Uruguay]).



GENACIS and Harms to Others Group Dinner on June 10

The GENACIS and Harms to Others group dinner will be held at 7:30 pm on June 10 at Fratelli la Cozza Restaurant. The restaurant is known for its authentic Neapolitan pizza and giant paintings of pizza ingredients on the walls. It is located at Corso Regio Parco 39, 10152 Torino (see map). **Please contact Anne-Marie Laslett (anne-mariel@turningpoint.org.au) for reservations before June 4.**

KBS PAPERS BY GENACIS MEMBERS

GENACIS members will present a number of papers at KBS 2014. This list gives the titles, first authors, and presentation times for papers authored by GENACIS members and friends.

Monday, June 9

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Track A: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Conducting qualitative interviews by telephone:
Lessons learned from study of alcohol use and sexual minority women
Laurie Drabble

Is it the situation or do responders differ? – Why are results from telephone interviews and web-based questionnaires on alcohol not comparable?

Ulrike Grittner

Inconsistency in reporting alcohol consumption on two instruments, and impacts of misclassification

Jennie Connor

Track C: Room F2

The relationship between event characteristics and personal characteristics and the amount drunk on specific high risk drinking occasions by young people
Paul Dietze

Track D: Room F4

Adverse effects of drinking in Australian families: Rates and correlates of harm to female and male carers and their children
Anne-Marie Laslett

Track E: Room F5

Where are risky drinks consumed? Results from the Australian arm of the International Alcohol Control Study
Sarah Callinan

2:00 – 3:30 p.m., Track A: Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Land use planning and the control of alcohol: Content analysis of planning schemes among Victorian municipalities
Claire Wilkinson

Track C: Room F2

Peer influence on pattern and magnitude of alcohol drinking among undergraduates in Nigeria
Florence Omumu

Track D: Room F4

Alcohol's harm to others in Thailand: When caretakers don't care enough
Orratai Waleewong

Monday, June 9 (continued)

Track F: Room E2

A journey through your brain: An analysis of Swedish newspaper portrayals of biomedical alcohol research
Alexandra Bogren

4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Track D: Room F4

Comparisons of drinking's harms to others between the U.S. and Denmark
Thomas K. Greenfield

Track E: Room F5

Changes in alcohol-related mortality 1980-2010: A comparative age-period-cohort analysis using mortality data from Finland, Norway, Sweden, France and Germany
Ludwig Kraus

Track F: Room E2

Under-reporting in alcohol surveys: Whose drinking is under-estimated?
Michael Livingston

Tuesday, June 10

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Track P: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Total consumption theory, harm reduction approach and drinking cultures: Contrasting contributions to alcohol studies
Franca Beccaria

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Track A: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Relations of drinking problems with price sensitivity and with opinions on alcohol taxes: Results from the Australian arm of the International Alcohol Control Study
Robin Room

Track D: Room F4

Drunk driving in Kampala metropolitan area: An evaluation of an 18 month intervention
Nazarius Mbona Tumwesigye

Teenagers' experience related to driving under the influence: Analysis of European School Survey Project on Alcohol and Other Drugs (ESPAD)
Kirsimarja Raitasalo

Tuesday, June 10 (continued)

Track E: Room F5

The role of gender and bar genderedness of drinking in AUDIT item functioning: A MIMIC analysis

Jason Bond

Substance abuse by people with a mild intellectual disability: How do we deal with it?

Dike van de Mheen

Track F: Room E2

Street intercept method: An innovative approach to recruiting young adult high risk drinkers

Kate Graham

Effects of study design and allocation on reported drinking behavior: Randomized controlled trial

Kypros Kypri

2:00 – 3:30 p.m., Track E: Room F5

Alcohol use, perceived source of job stress, quality of life and mental health among professionals: A comparative study among physicians and bankers in Sokoto, Nigeria

Mufutau Yunusa

Substance use among PTSD veterans

Meir Teichman

4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Track A: Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Harm to others from alcohol in Sri Lanka

Siri Hettige

Harm to others by drinkers in Chile: Results of a probability survey

Ramon Florenzano

Alcohol and intimate partner violence in Argentina: Exploring the links

Myriam Munné

Harm to others: Knowing heavy drinkers counts a lot

Ann Hope

Track B: Room F1

Online training for therapeutic community agents in Brazil: Preliminary results

Florence Kerr-Correâ

Track E: Room F5

Provincial alcohol index and its association with alcohol related problems: Establishing a tool to move local alcohol policy in Thailand

Surasak Chaiyasong

Tuesday, June 10 (continued)

Track F: Room E2

The co-occurrence of alcohol use disorder and symptoms of drug use disorder among immigrant groups living in both sides of the US-Mexico border

Guilherme Borges

Wednesday, June 11

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Track P: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

Round table on conflict of interests

Robin Room

Dag Rekve

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Track F: Room E2

The connection between the context of drinking and self-reported harms: Results from Finnish Drinking Habit Survey 2008

Pia Mäkelä

Thursday, June 12

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Track P: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

To harm and to be harmed: New perspectives on alcohol's harms to others

Kim Bloomfield

My relative's alcohol and drug misuse is affecting me: A comparison of measures and tales of family members from Nigeria and England

Akanidomo Ibanga

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Track B: Room F1

Youth living in the slums of Kampala: Determining a typology of alcohol use and marketing exposures

Monica Swahn

The relative influence of alcoholic beverage companies' marketing programmes on undergraduates' drinking behaviours in Nigeria

Olufunke Chenube

Track C: Room F2

Community action to reduce the harmful use of alcohol: Areas of action and research evidence

Marja Holmila

Track D: Room F4

Receiving versus being denied a pregnancy termination and subsequent alcohol use: A longitudinal study

Sarah C. M. Roberts

Substance use and related problems among U.S. women who identify as mostly heterosexual

Sharon C. Wilsnack

Thursday, June 12 (continued)

Track E: Room F5

Social roles among recruits in Switzerland: Do social roles relate to alcohol use and does role change have an impact?

Sandra Kuntsche

Unrecorded alcohol in Thailand: Who, what, how often and how much?

Thaksaphon (Mek) Thamarangsi

4:00 – 5:15 p.m., Track C: Room F2

Revisiting the “French paradox”: A country level analysis of the association between drinking level and mortality

Giora Rahav

Track D: Room F4

Gender and hangover symptoms: A multinational GENACIS analysis

Richard W. Wilsnack

Implications of alcohol use and gender issues among crack users

Adriana Marcassa Tucci

Friday, June 13

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Track P: Room Aula Magna (Lecture Hall)

“Europes” between cultures and alcohol control policies

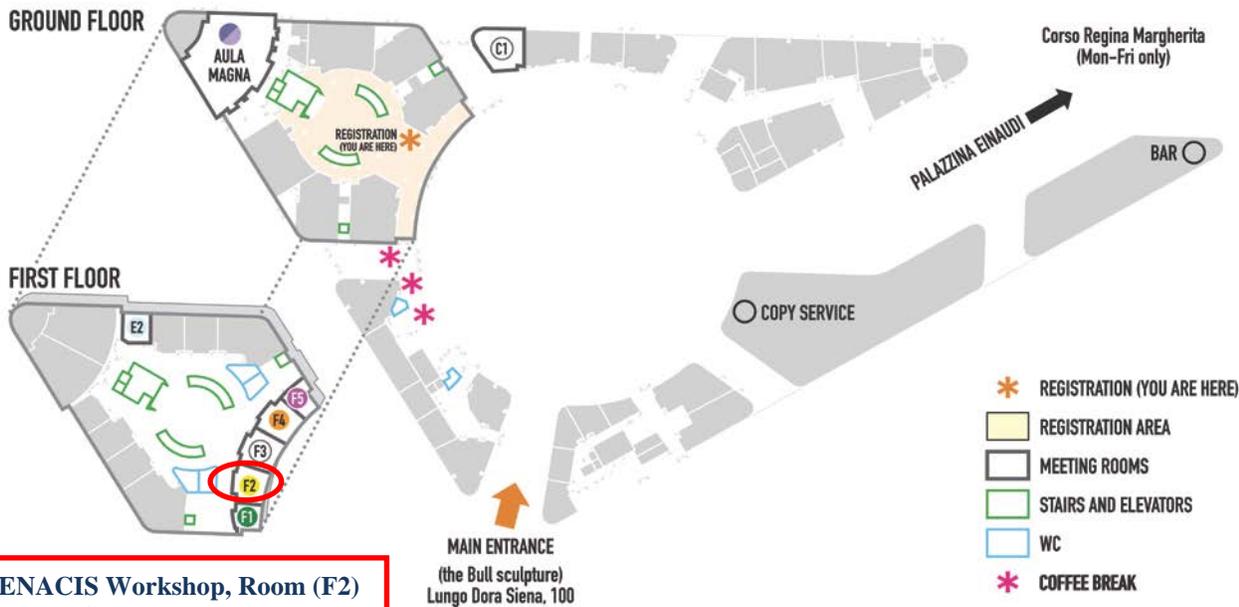
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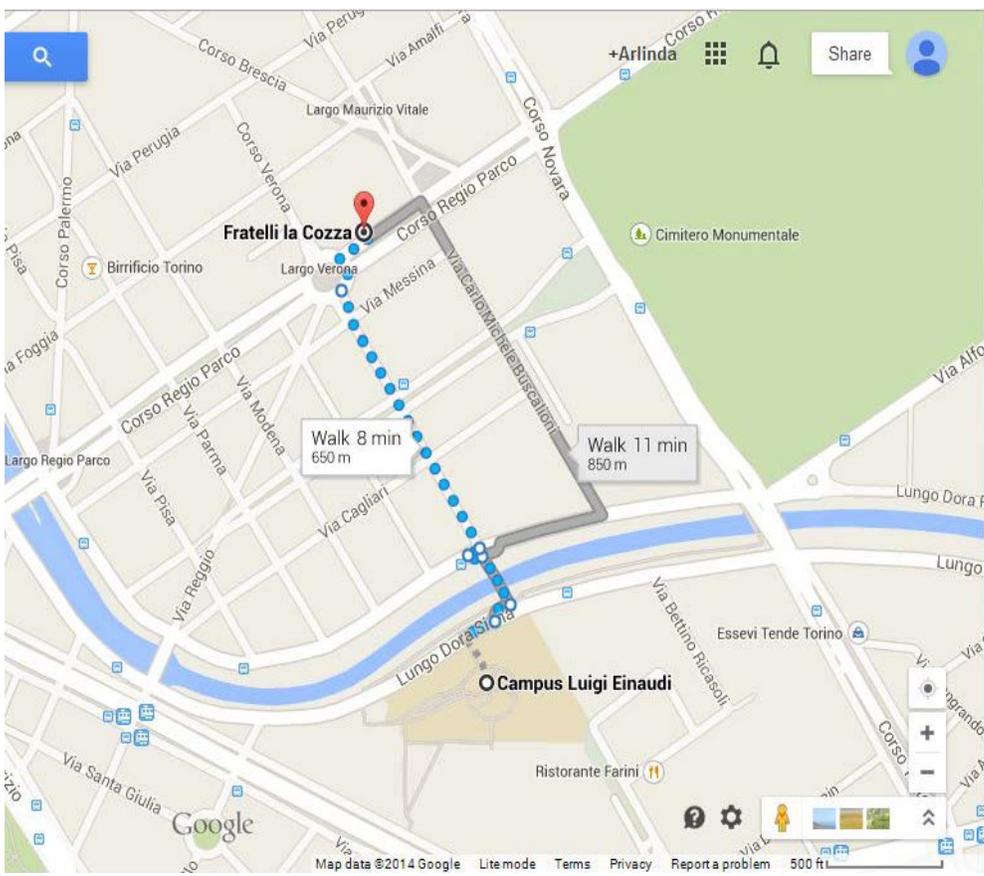
KBS 2015 in Munich

The 41st Annual Kettil Bruun Society Symposium will be held in Munich, Germany, June 1-5, 2015. GENACIS members Ludwig Kraus and Kim Bloomfield are members of the local organizing committee.

University of Torino Campus Luigi Einaudi (CLE)



GENACIS Workshop, Room (F2)
Sunday, June 8
9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



**Map to
GENACIS/ Harms to Others
Group Dinner**

From University Campus

to

Fratelli la Cozza
Regio Parco 39,
10152 Torino



2014 GENACIS Workshop

Torino, Italy

Preliminary Agenda

**Sunday, June 8 – University of Torino
Campus Luigi Einaudi (CLE), Room F2**

9:30 – 11:00	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Gender, Alcohol, and Culture: 20 years of Multinational Collaboration</p> <p>Sharon Wilsnack</p>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:30	<p>Update on New GENACIS/Harms to Others Surveys</p> <p>São Paulo, Brazil Florence Kerr-Correâ</p> <p>Developmental Work in Guatemala Myriam Munné</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Grant Application Update: Alcohol’s Harm to Others: Multinational Cultural Contexts and Policy Implications</p> <p>Kim Bloomfield, Tom Greenfield, Sharon Wilsnack</p>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:00	GENACIS/Harms to Others: Future Directions

Tuesday, June 10 (CLE, Room F2)

17:30 – 19:00	<p>GENACIS and Harms to Others Joint Workshop</p> <p>Anne-Marie Laslett & Sharon Wilsnack, Chairs</p>
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GENACIS and Harms to Others Dinner

19:30 – 21:30	<p>Fratelli La Cozza Restaurant</p> <p>Corso Regio Parco 39, 10152 Torino</p>
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PLEASE USE UPDATED ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS STATEMENT

It is important that we all use the standard GENACIS acknowledgements statement in our publications, so that all major funding sources for the GENACIS project are accurately acknowledged. The acknowledgements statement is periodically updated and the most current statement is always available on the UND GENACIS website.

There is an MS Word version of the statement that can be copied directly from the website. You can access the statement through a link on the home page of the GENACIS website. There is also a link to a list of study directors and funding sources so that you can acknowledge these for each country used in your analyses.

If there are any questions about the acknowledgements statement, please contact Arlinda or Sharon.

GENACIS Acknowledgements Statement

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WEBSITES

GENACIS website at UND:

<http://www.med.und.edu/genacis/> (after Aug. 1)

GENACIS site at Addiction Switzerland:

<http://www.genacis.org/index.php>

KBS website:

<http://www.kettilbruun.org/>

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Important Reminder to Paper Authors

Please remember that first authors of all GENACIS papers must send a draft of that paper, **prior to submission for publication**, to all survey leaders whose data are used in that paper. Survey leaders will have one month to review the paper and send any comments to the first author. Should any disagreements arise that cannot be resolved by the paper authors and survey directors, these should be brought to the GENACIS R01 Consortium for discussion. Significant disagreements may be mentioned in a footnote in the paper. Please review frequently these and other authorship guidelines, which are posted on the UND GENACIS website (<http://www.med.und.edu/genacis/>)