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Editorial

Personal Construct Psychology was developed by *George A. Kelly* and presented in his groundbreaking work “The Psychology of Personal Constructs” in 1955. In this book he developed a theory of personality centred around the distinctive ways in which individuals construct and reconstruct the meanings of their lives, which he subsequently elaborated in a series of papers. While Kelly’s original focus was on applications to psychotherapy and counselling, personal construct concepts and methods have been used to understand such topics as diverse as stuttering, the development and breakdown of close relationships, vocational decision making, education, bereavement and organisational behaviour.

Regrettably, personal construct psychology is not part of the mainstream in psychology and related disciplines. This is in part due to a simple lack of information because of insufficient access to printed material. Scholarly journals are hardly affordable for the average reader, especially for students, and books have usually small runs and the prices are prohibitive.

Fortunately, the arrival of the Internet now provides the opportunity to offer information and to publish journals worldwide at low or no costs. Therefore, along with the new *Internet Encyclopaedia of Personal Construct Psychology* which will be available in 2004, we think the time has come to start a new Internet-based journal. Among the advantages are also that restrictions of space hardly apply and that publication times can be reasonably short.

This journal provides the opportunity to publish papers on personal construct theory as well as its applications in a variety of disciplines such as psychotherapy, organisations, business, education. It will also be a forum for practitioners in the various professions involved. Papers from related disciplines are also welcome.

Manuscripts will be peer-reviewed.

We are pleased that a number of well reputed colleagues have agreed to join the Editorial Board.

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