Purpose: The forum is designed to bring together colleagues who are working in the international arena on prevention science research, programs, and policies. This is an interactive forum and it is not a workshop nor is it a didactic session. Participation is key to the forum. The forum is sponsored by the International Task Force and each year, projects are addressed that will further the underlying goal of networking colleagues who work in the international arena.

International Task Force (ITF): The ITF is comprised of the following members: Brenda A. Miller, Chair, USA (bmiller@prev.org), John Toumbourou, Australia (john.toumbourou@deakin.edu.au); Moshe Israelashvili, Israel (mosheil1@post.tau.ac.il); Josipa Basic, Croatia (basic@erf.hr); Hanno Petras, USA (hpetras@jbsinternational.com); Zili Sloboda, USA (zsloboda@jbsinternational.com); Jeff Lee, UK (jeff@mentorfoundation.org)

International Advisory Group: At this year’s forum, a group of advisors will be introduced. The purpose of this group is to provide a network of colleagues who can respond to the activities of the ITF to reflect their region. Our goal is to support these regional advisors as they work to strengthen the prevention science approach for their own regions.

Network Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Brief report on ITF activities during past year with response from audience about actions taken and desired next steps
3. Overview and presentation of this year’s foci of action:
   • International registry/networking online database—The ITF is actively engaged in gathering information about SPR membership involved in international collaborations and ensuring that this information is available to members to network for future collaborative efforts.
   • Developing sources of support for international collaborating research teams through Governmental and Foundation sources. Representatives from government and/or foundations will be asked to work with the ITF in developing a plan for supporting collaborative international research efforts, with a special interest in developing “seed fund” to support the development of productive research and action collaborations.
   • United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime, International prevention standards—Representatives from the U.N will meet with forum members to discuss the current international prevention standards project. A focus of this sub-group will be to allow further discussion of the challenges to and forces for adopting prevention standards around the world and how UN’s work might be supported by International Networking Forum attendees.
4. Break into discussion groups for this year’s foci of action
5. Report back to the larger group with three key planned activities
   o Goals identified for next year
   o Next action steps and key players for action
   o Solicitation of ideas and support from larger audience