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ADDRESSING FILICIDE:

Fourth International Conference for Cross National Dialogue

14 – 15 November, 2019, Deakin Downtown, Melbourne, Australia

The bi-annual International Addressing Filicide Conferences held in 2013, 2015 and 2017 at the Monash Prato Italy Centre brought together researchers, policy and program experts, and service providers, internationally, to inspire a long-term focus on developing an international knowledge base on filicide, a type of child homicide where a parent(s) or equivalent guardian(s) kill their child or children.

The Monash Deakin Filicide Research Hub, which has sponsored the past conferences, will hold the 2019 conference at Deakin Downtown in Melbourne Australia. We hope that the new location will continue to attract delegates from Canada, USA, UK and Europe, and bring new delegates from Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific and South-East Asia. The Conference will be held in the heart of Melbourne's Central Business District.

Filicide is a tragic topic that continues to occupy front-page news. State and federal government's investment in domestic violence services has placed the risks for children exposed to domestic violence at the heart of the discussion on prevention of filicide but the complexity of filicide necessitates much more discussion and research. Many professions are needed to overcome the problem, lawyers, psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, general practitioners, criminologists, health and welfare service providers, policy and program experts, researchers and academics. We hope you will join in!

We are seeking expressions of interest from potential contributors (Papers, Workshops, Panels) for the 2019 conference related to the following themes:

Types of filicide

This theme includes all manifestations of filicide such as neonaticide, infanticide, single or multiple filicide, filicide-suicide, familicide, or any other intra-familial child homicide event.

Factors associated with filicide

This theme includes associated factors that are present or might be a part of a filicide event including, but not limited to, domestic violence, child abuse, substance abuse, alcohol abuse, family law, separation or divorce, criminal history.

Education and prevention

This theme explores the role of education and prevention for communities, professionals, existing programs, policy initiatives, risk assessment strategies, etc.

Criminal Justice system and filicide

This theme aims to explore the interactions between the different stages in and agents of the criminal justice system and filicide events such as police, forensic experts, sentencing, prison programs, child death review committees, coroners, etc.

Research

This theme covers all new research relating to filicide and media coverage of filicide events.

Post filicide services

This theme aims to explore the existence and role of programs for victims, their families, and other filicide survivors that may be available.

Creating child safe organizations and filicide

This theme aims to explore the impact of the newly implemented child safety policy on filicide prevention.

To express your interest in presenting or attending the upcoming Addressing Filicide Conference please contact:

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