

Greetings! As we start a new year, we felt an update on SSSR business was in order!

1) Our website: https://www.triplesr.org/

We launched our new website last year. Many thanks to everyone who contributed content and supported its development.

Some members have been using the **Resources** area on the website to post or find details of jobs, PhD funding, workshops and conferences, etc. If you would like to feature an opportunity, then use the 'submit resources' function on the drop down menu and Jen Hardie-Hughes, our Association Manager, will do the rest.

We have a page - SSSR Links - in the Resources section. Here you will useful information, such as a link to the Federation of Associations in Behavioral and Brain Sciences (FABBS), who provide great resources on topics such as Advocacy and Open Science, relevant to all members (not just those based in the US). If you have ideas of other useful links to organisations or resources that would benefit SSSR members, let us know: scientificstudy.reading@gmail.com.

2) Conferences updates

The 31st annual meeting of SSSR will be held at the Scandic Falkoner Hotel in **Copenhagen**, **Denmark** from **Wednesday July 10** (pre-conference and opening reception) **to Saturday July 13**, **2024**. Our local hosts are **Holger Juul** and **Mads Poulsen**.



We received an unprecedented number of submissions from reading researchers across the globe. Reviewing is now underway with decisions expected in early February 2024. We are pleased with this response to locating the conference in Europe but, as in previous years, we sadly will not be able to accept all submissions. The Programme Committee will accept as many submissions as possible within the programme constraints, with decisions based on our

published criteria (see our Handbook on website). Thank you for your patience in advance, as the Programme Committee finalise their selection.

We hope to see many of you at the conference. Details about registration, conference dinner, and accommodation will be posted on the website in February 2024.

We are close to signing the final contract for Calgary, Canada, for 16 - 19 July 2025. Many thanks to **Lesly Wade-Woolley** for her tough negotiating skills.

We are exploring a return to **Europe in 2026**, working with **Roel** van Steensel, to secure Rotterdam, Netherlands, as a location. Updates will follow.



On behalf of the Executive Board and all SSSR members, a very **BIG THANK YOU** to those named above and those working behind the scenes to make these events a success!

We are looking ahead for future conference destinations. We are already thinking of 2027 and 2028. If you are interested to serve as local host for a future meeting, please email scientificstudy.reading@gmail.com with details.

3) Membership renewals

It is time to renew your membership! Membership benefits include reduced conference fees and access to Scientific Studies of Reading (our journal) via the website. We seek to develop more benefits over the coming years. To renew go to: https://www.triplesr.org/

4) All change at the top!

There are changes in the Executive Board to be noted.

Rob Savage completed his 2-year term as Past President at the end of 2023. We thank Rob for his dedicated work leading SSSR in recent years. Kate Cain is now Past President, Nicole Patton-Terry is the current President (2024-2025), and Becky Chen is now President Elect. We are joined by Jan Frijters, elected as the next Vice President starting January 2024. And that leaves a gap.... because Jan was the SSSR Secretary. We are in the process of appointing a new Secretary and Jan will work closely with them to support a smooth transition. We will update in due course.

Finally, thanks to all you amazing, inspiring, creative, and resilient researchers of reading who continue to support and develop SSSR. I hope that 2024 is a positive and rewarding year,

Kate Cain Past President SSSR

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