Dear Members of IAEA,  
IAEA 2016 in Vienna is over. Many of you joined and made this a very lively, impressive, and inspiring event, with many highlights: keynotes by Elvira Brattico, the designer Stefan Sagmeister, Zaira Cattaneo and Norbert Schwarz; award lectures of Baumgarten Award and Fechner Award winners; an exciting poster session; and an unforgettable summer party in the arcades of the main building of the University of Vienna. Thank you all again for having joined.

During the Board meeting we decided on changes in the bylaws: The number of future award winners is no longer restricted, and a new award for outstanding student contribution, The Robert Francès Award, will replace the poster prize. Moreover, the board has changed, and we want to thank the former members very much for their invaluable services to IAEA! Thanks to Ralf Weber, Hanna Gottesdiener, and Zoi Kapoula. And a warm welcome to our new board members: Elvira Brattico, Beatriz Calvo Merino, Marcos Nadal, Christoph Redies, Oshin Vartanian, and Ed Vessel.

The next conference will be hosted by Oshin Vartanian in 2018 in Toronto! Probably towards the end of August/Beginning of September 2018.

We also decided to increase the frequency and format of the newsletter. From now on it will appear monthly and will inform you about:

- Events of interest (conference and symposia announcements)
- New publications in the fields of empirical aesthetics (To be featured in the forthcoming newsletter, please send Stefano the citation of your recent publications, if possible in APA 6th format)
- Job adverts in the field of empirical aesthetics
So please take this first newsletter as an example and send information regarding any of the above mentioned topics – and also additional news of interest for members of IAEA to Stefano Mastandrea.

For additional information please see our website http://www.science-of-aesthetics.org. Also of you have any suggestions for the website or the association, please let us know.

On Behalf of IAEA

Helmut Leder
President
Conference

The Symbolic Animal- Evolution and Neuroethology of Aesthetics
October 15-19, 2016 in Erice, Sicily, ITALY
Directors of the Workshop: Leonida Fusani (Konrad Lorenz Institute of Ethology, University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna & Department of Cognitive Biology, University of Vienna)
Vittorio Gallese (University of Parma & University of London)
Recent Publications in Empirical Aesthetics

**Articles**


**Books**

There is also a new book by Jerry Cupchik!

* As no publications have been sent so far, we took the liberty of compiling recent publications – mostly of the officers.
We do not know of current job adverts in empirical aesthetics.