You are invited to submit abstracts for presentations at the 16th Biennial Conference of ISAAC, taking place in Lisbon from July 19th through July 24th, 2014. The opening date for submissions is June 3rd, 2013 (18:00 GMT) and the closing date is November 15th, 2013 (18:00 GMT). Applicants will be notified of acceptance by the February 15th, 2014. Papers can be submitted online by navigating to: https://www.isaac-online.org/english/conference-2014/call-for-papers/

The conference theme is “Descobrir a Comunicação — Discover Communication”. People who use AAC and their families, as well as people who work with them in the field of AAC, are continually making important discoveries in relation to communication every day. In Lisbon, we will showcase many such discoveries, and also celebrate the history of ISAAC and AAC, which has changed enormously in the last 30 years, and will continue to develop into the future.

Although the main language of the conference is English, papers will be accepted in both English and Portuguese. The Conference 2014 organizers will make every effort to offer as many sessions as possible in both languages. Portuguese papers must submit a Short Abstract in both English and Portuguese, with the Long or Extended Abstract submitted in Portuguese only.

We look forward to a very successful Conference 2014!

Best regards,

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1. Perspectives, experiences, and engagement of consumers and families.
2. AAC Clinical Practices, and Professional Education.
3. Research and Development to inform the field of AAC.

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                AAC service provision and implementation
                AAC families and their experiences

B. Building activity and participation through AAC
   Key phrases: AAC and employment
                AAC and education
                AAC and retirement
                AAC and relationships
                AAC and play / drama / creative arts

C. Creative Directions in AAC Practice
   Key phrases: AAC across the world: Developing nations in AAC
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