



The *Henk Nijman Award* for the best abstract at the 14th European Congress on Violence in Clinical Psychiatry in Antwerp, Belgium

Henk Nijman was professor of forensic psychology at the Radboud University in Nijmegen, and a leading contributor, and founding member of the European Violence in Psychiatry Research Group. Together with Professor dr. Tom Palmstierna and others, he was instrumental in founding the bi-annual European Violence in Clinical Psychiatry Congress, now in its 14th iteration.

Professor Nijman's research focussed on the causes and prevention of violent behaviour of (forensic) psychiatric patients and patients with (mild) intellectual disabilities. He had written numerous peer reviewed articles and book chapters on the topic, and together with Professor Palmstierna revised developed. the SOAS-R, a Violence Risk Assessment Tool, now used widely in many global clinical and academic settings.

Following his untimely passing in 2021, the Organising Committee of the Congress, in recognition of Professor Nijman's outstanding work in the field of violence in clinical psychiatry, and pioneering contributions to the Congress, developed the Henk Nijman Award which recognises the best abstract submitted to the Congress.

The winner of the Henk Nijman Award is entitled to free entrance to the 15th European Congress on Violence in Clinical Psychiatry in 2028.