Dear German and Chinese members of the IRTG “Adaptive Minds”,

We are glad to send you the ninth edition of the IRTG Newsletter, which is circulated among all German and Chinese IRTG members in more or less regular intervals (ca. every 2-4 months or whenever appropriate). Please do not hesitate to give us your feedback on or suggestions for the contents of the current or future IRTG newsletters. For example, all German and Chinese IRTG members are invited to always inform us about new developments in their publication record or scientific career.

Best regards,
The coordination team of the IRTG at the German site
Axel, Hubert, Theo, Marcelle & Annalena

1.) German and Chinese New Year

We would like to warmly wish all German and Chinese IRTG members a happy and successful new year. While the Western new year has already begun, the Chinese new year will soon start on 31st January 2014 with the Spring Festival to welcome the new year of the Horse 2014.

2.) IRTG News

Lena Schmidt receives GNP-Förderpreis 2013
The Gesellschaft für Neuropsychologie e.V. (GNP) supports professionalizing and research in clinical and cognitive neuropsychology by bestowing a young talented scientist with an annual advancement award due to excellent research work in the field of clinical and cognitive neuropsychology.

René Liesefeld receives Dr.-Eduard-Martin-Preis of Saarland University 2013
The Dr.-Eduard-Martin-Preis is annually awarded by the Vereinigung der Freunde der Universität des Saarlandes to the best PhD students of each faculty.
René and Anna Liesefeld took up postdoctoral positions at LMU
Since 15th November 2013, Anna and René are working at LMU München in the department of Prof. Dr. Hermann Müller, more specifically in the research group of PD Dr. Michael Zehetleitner. Their main research topic will be visual search and visual working memory. While René will focus on the computational modeling of search processes, Anna is planning to focus on EEG correlates of attention in visual search.

Olga Kriukova took up a postdoctoral position at the University of Göttingen
From January 2014, Olga will be working as a postdoctoral researcher in the Free Floater Research Group “Language Acquisition” at the Department of Psychology at Georg-August University in Göttingen. The head of the group, Dr. Nivedita Mani, and her team are interested in grammatical, lexical and phonological aspects of infant language acquisition. Now the group is extending its research to linguistic processes in adults. The project Olga will be working on will investigate the specificity of the orthography-phonology interface.

Annalena Frey is a new coordination assistant
“Hello, my name is Annalena Frey but everybody calls me Annie. This is my 5th semester at Saarland University studying psychology (Bachelor). Originally, I come from Eppelheim, which is a little town next to Heidelberg in Baden-Württemberg. Since mid November I am the new coordinating assistant besides Marcelle. I'm glad that I can work for a research group with a psychological background and I hope I will be able to enrich the coordination of the IRTG.”

3.) New IRTG Publications

We would like to happily announce the following new papers of IRTG members that have recently been accepted for publication in internationally acknowledged journals:


The website that lists all publications of the IRTG (see “Publications” website at www.adaptiveminds.de) has been updated accordingly. Please let Theo know in case any publication of yours is missing.

4.) **Homepage of the IRTG**

The IRTG website contains information on all IRTG members. Please inform the coordinator of the IRTG if you want to change, update, or delete information on your person, for example CVs, affiliations etc.