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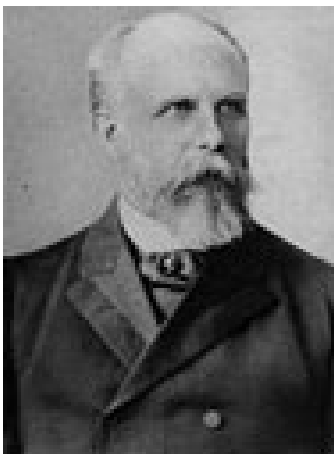
## **The William Thierry Preyer Award for Excellence in Research on Human Development 2025**

### **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

Nominations must be submitted by February 28th, 2025

to the EADP secretary ([secretary@eadp.info](mailto:secretary@eadp.info))

The William Thierry Preyer Award was donated to the European Association of Developmental Psychology by Prof. Dr. Rainer K. Silbereisen, the President of the 2007 European Congress on Developmental Psychology and Professor of Developmental Psychology as well as Director of the Center for Applied Developmental Science at the Friedrich-Schiller University Jena, Germany. According to an agreement with the European Association of Developmental Psychology (EADP), the Friedrich-Schiller University Jena will continue to support this award through a long-term donation. EADP will take care that the award will excel its history and current reputation of developmental science.



William Thierry Preyer (1841-1897), born in England, was the Chair of Physiology at the University of Jena, Germany. His vision was inspired by Charles Darwin, and his main works have importance till today – “Spezielle Physiologie des Embryos” and “Die Seele des Kindes” (The Mind of the Child). Both books lead the foundation in their respective scientific disciplines, developmental physiology and developmental psychology, and seen from modern interdisciplinary views on human development. William Thierry Preyer is a major forerunner of rigorous research on human development, based on observation and experimentation.

### **Criteria**

The Award will be given to a European psychologist or a group of European psychologists – who is/are recognized internationally for an original and substantial contribution to a better understanding of human development and its contexts, as demonstrated by first-rate publications in scholarly journals, based on empirical research into the antecedents, processes and outcomes of human development-in-context.

### **Procedure**

The Award will be given on the occasion the European Conference on Developmental Psychology in August 2025. EADP is in charge of organizing a Preyer Award Committee, which includes its President, its President-Elect and three other outstanding international developmental scientists. Nominations can be made by every EADP member and by members of the Committee who are free to consult with other scientists and scientific bodies, including former Award winners. A recommendation to the Executive Council (EC) will be made by the Committee and confirmed by the EC.

Nominations should be accompanied by a statement as to how the nominee(s) meet(s) the criteria, and by the full curriculum vitae of the nominee(s) and should be signed by two nominators. Members of the Executive Council of the EADP are not eligible for the Award during their mandate. They become so 5 years after the end of their last mandate. The Preyer Award is given during the Opening Ceremony of the Conference by the President of EADP, followed by the lecture of the award winner. The Award implies an honorary membership with the EADP, and free attendance to three biennial EADP conferences.

Deadline: **February 28th, 2025.**