

## Interested in recruiting speakers?

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Louise,

I would appreciate it if the notice below could be circulated to members of the IP Task Force.

The Faculty for Meditative Research and Learning (FMRL) is an intra-New School for Social Research (NSSR) (New York City) consortium dedicated to the dissemination of critical research into meditation as a cognitive, social, political, and spiritual practice across histories and cultures. Drawing from the disciplines of Psychology, Anthropology, Political Science, and Philosophy, FMRL is a forum for scholars and practitioners who are engaging with meditation and contemplative practices as unique areas of scientific inquiry, areas that have been historically ignored by the Western academy but are now gaining widespread attention due to their implications in public health and consciousness studies.

### **Link with Cultural Psychology:**

We are interested at this time in inviting scholars and practitioners who can address, in online talks, ways the above issues intersect with cultural psychology, such as speaking to the cross-disciplinary nature of meditation and to indigenous practices that promote well-being.

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