## Abstracts to the 2016-2018 Conferences of the Society for Chaos Theory in Psychology & Life Sciences

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## **Manuscripts Accepted for Publication**

The following articles have been accepted for publication and will be appearing starting January, 2019:

- Cerezo, M. A., Pons-Salvador, G., Trenado, R. M., Sierra-Garcia, P. The temporal dimension in maternal sensitivity predicting organized attachment in children.
- Constantini, A., Scalco, A., Sartori, R., Tur, E. M., & Ceschi, A. Theories for computing prosocial behavior: A review and a model.
- Cutler, C. D., & Neufeld, R. W. J. Nonlinear indices with applications to schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.
- Halfon, S., Cavdar, A., Paolini, G., Andreassi, S., Giuilani, A., Orsucci, F. F., & De Felice, G. Nonlinear dynamics of change in a single case of psychodynamic play therapy.
- Katerndahl, D., Burge, S., Ferrer, R., Becho, J., Wood, R., & Villacampa, M. D. M. Agent-based modeling of day-to-day intimate partner violence.
- Menninga, van Dijk, M., Cox, R., Steenbeek, H., & van Geert, P. Co-adaptation processes of syntactic complexity in real-time kindergarten teacher-student interactions.
- Pincus, D., Cadsky, O., Berardi, V., Asuncion, C. M., & Wann, K. Fractal self-structure and psychological resilience.
- Rinaldi, S., & Della Rosa, F. Warning signs of impending critical transitions in love affairs.
- Schöller, H., Viol, K., Goditsch, H., Aichhorn, W., Hütt, M-T., & Schiepek, G. A nonlinear dynamic systems model of psychotherapy: First steps toward validation and the role of external input.
- Taylor, R. P. Nature's fractal similarities: Integrating art and science.

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