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## The West and the Rest

When the social sciences were constructed in the nineteenth century, it was originally a set of practices located in a few countries, primarily five: Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, and the United States. It was natural that the emerging disciplines - in particular, history, economics, political science, and sociology - were primarily concerned with the empirical reality of these five countries, and more largely of the "West." It was the presumed intellectual problematic of "modernity" that was the underlying object of intellectual enquiry in the social sciences: what it was, what social "problems" it caused, how we might understand better its evolution.

At the same time, social scientists were aware that the "West" was not the totality of the world. However, in the nineteenth century they also believed that the non-West was non-modern, and therefore fundamentally different from the West. The question consequently that was posed was both why to study the non-West and how to study the non-West. In a sense, the basic answer to why the "West" should study the "rest" was in order to delineate how they were different from the West, in what way they were non-"modern," and therefore in what way the "West" was modern. The answer to how to study the non-West was twofold. On the one hand, special disciplines were established to study the non-West: anthropology for the study of so-called primitive peoples, and Oriental studies for the study of the so-called high civilizations (China, India, the Arab world, etc.). In addition, however, social scientists, primarily sociologists, created concepts that defined the essential difference between the West and the rest in terms of sets of antinomies: status and contract (Maier), military and industrial society (Spencer), mechanical and organic solidarity (Durkheim), traditional and rational-legal legitimation (Weber), the pattern variables of Parsons.

The transformation of the world since 1945 undermined the social basis of these nineteenth-century constructs. The spread of social science to all corners of the earth, and more importantly, the political reassertion of the non-Western world, raised fundamental questions about the distinction between the West and the rest. It undid the logic of having separate disciplines to concern themselves with different parts of the world. Today U.S. sociologists and historians study Sri Lanka, and Sri Lankan anthropologists study the United States. We can all multiply the examples.

But even more importantly, questions have been raised about the antinomies, and how well they define the modern. There are some today who believe that we have all moved beyond modernity, to a new terrain called post-modernity. There are others who believe that the "modern" doesn't really exist at all, in the sense that the presumed changes that the "modern West" introduced were not all that different from continuing patterns in the rest of the world. In particular, some point to the rise of East Asia in recent years as simply the return to centrality of East Asia in the world, after a brief (and, it is argued, ultimately minor) interlude of European assertiveness.

It is not that there are not among us still some passionate defenders of the validity of the distinction between the West and the rest. It is simply that this distinction can no longer be stated as a truism, but must be defended as a controversial intellectual position. Of course, to pose it as a question of the "West" and the "rest" is itself to utilize a language derived from the geopolitical dominance of the West. This dominance, which seemed to be so self-evident in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, came to be challenged vigorously in this second half of the twentieth century, and may well become a rapidly diminishing reality in the twenty-first century.

But even if, as a result of the declining position of the Western world, Eurocentrism were to die out as an intellectual force, it might of course merely come to be replaced by other "centrismisms" - Japanocentrism, or Sinocentrism, for example. We do not yet know. Nonetheless, the intellectual issues would not change simply because the geographical locus of the center changed. For the fundamental intellectual issue is the relationship of the universal and the particular in social science analysis.

There is a sense in which all knowledge activity is a search for universals, for explanations that interpret empirical reality, which has to mean that one is explaining the perceived reality in terms of something else. This something else has to be an aspiring universal. But there is another sense in which all knowledge activity is particularistic, since this activity is conducted by individuals and groups who are socially generated, and socially anchored, however far their particular anchors permit them to roam. No universalizing knowledge activity can ever fully achieve a universalist stance. No particularizing knowledge activity can ever escape making claims that take the form of at least mini-grand narratives.

The way we have dealt with this dilemma for the past 150-200 years has been, on the whole, to choose sides, to prefer the one orientation or the other, to be nomothetic or idiographic, to have one social science for humanity or to have two (one for the West and one for the rest). What perhaps we may be able to see more clearly today is that we cannot really choose between the universal and the particular, any more than we can choose between the structural and the historical. We are condemned to analyzing everything in its contradiction as simultaneously an expression of the universal and representative of the irremediably particular, as having both a structure which is describable and hence fixed, and having a history such that the structure is always immediately different from what it was the instant before.

The problem before social science today is to evolve a methodology that is consonant with this inability to choose, and to assume collectively the burden of constructing a pluralistic universalism. The fact that this seems incredibly difficult, and full of large logical traps, is no excuse for not proceeding down this path, since I believe this is the only path that exists in the dark forest in which we find ourselves intellectually. The West and the rest? the East and the West? the North and the South? Yes, of course, and no, of course not.

## L'occident et les autres

Quand les sciences sociales ont été élaborées au cours du dix-neuvième siècle, il s'agissait à l'origine d'un ensemble de pratiques situées dans quelques pays, cinq notamment: le Royaume Uni, la France, l'Allemagne, l'Italie et les Etats-Unis. Il allait de soi que les disciplines émergentes - en particulier, l'histoire, l'économie, la science politique et la sociologie - s'occupèrent principalement de la réalité empirique de ces cinq pays et plus généralement de celle de "l'occident". C'était en fait la problématique intellectuelle de la "modernité" qui était l'objet sous-jacent du questionnement intellectuel dans les sciences sociales: ce qu'elle était, quels étaient les "problèmes" sociaux qu'elle provoquait et comment nous pouvions mieux comprendre son évolution.

En même temps, les scientifiques sociaux étaient conscients que "l'occident" ne représentait pas l'ensemble du monde. Cependant, au dix-neuvième siècle, ils croyaient aussi que le non-occident était non-moderne, et par conséquent fondamentalement différent de l'occident. La question qui s'ensuivait était à la fois pourquoi étudier le non-occident et comment étudier le non-occident. D'une certaine manière, la réponse à pourquoi "l'occident" devait étudier "les autres" servit à définir à quel point ils étaient différents de l'occident, dans quelle mesure ils étaient non-"modernes" et en conséquence comment "l'occident" était moderne. La réponse à comment étudier le non-occident fut double. D'une part, on créa des disciplines spéciales pour étudier le non-occident: l'anthropologie pour l'étude des soi-disant peuples primitifs, et les études orientales pour l'étude des soi-disant grandes civilisations (la Chine, l'Inde, le monde arabe, etc.). D'autre part, cependant, les scientifiques sociaux, principalement les sociologues, créèrent des concepts qui définissaient les différences essentielles entre l'occident et les autres en termes de groupes d'antinomies: statut et contrat (Maine), société militaire et société industrielle (Spencer), solidarité mécanique et solidarité organique (Durkheim), légitimation traditionnelle et légitimation juridictionnelle-rationnelle (Weber), les "patterns" variables de Parsons.

La transformation du monde depuis 1945 a ébranlé les bases sociales de ces constructions intellectuelles du dix-neuvième siècle. La diffusion de la science sociale aux quatre coins de la terre et, surtout, la réaffirmation politique du monde non-occidental, ont soulevé des questions fondamentales au sujet de la distinction entre l'occident et les autres. Ces phénomènes contredisaient la logique de l'existence de disciplines séparées appliquées à différentes parties du monde. De nos jours, les sociologues et historiens des Etats-Unis étudient le Sri Lanka et les anthropologues du Sri Lanka étudient les Etats-Unis. Et on pourrait multiplier les exemples.

Mais plus importantes encore, des questions ont surgi à propos des antinomies et de leur capacité à définir convenablement le moderne. Actuellement, certains pensent que nous avons dépassé la modernité pour rejoindre un nouveau terrain dénommé post-modernité. D'autres pensent au contraire que le "moderne" n'existe pas du tout, en ce sens que les prétendus changements introduits à l'origine par "l'occident moderne" n'étaient pas tous si différents des modèles existants dans le reste du monde. Par exemple, la montée de l'Asie de l'Est au cours de ces dernières années s'interprète simplement comme le retour de l'Asie de l'Est à une position centrale dans le monde, après un bref (et dit-on, finalement mineur) intervalle de protagonisme européen.

Ce n'est pas qu'il n'existe plus parmi nous des défenseurs passionnés de la validité de la distinction entre l'occident et les autres. C'est simplement que cette distinction ne peut plus être considérée comme un truisme, mais qu'elle doit être défendue comme position intellectuelle controversée. Bien sûr, en faire une question de l'occident et les autres revient à utiliser un langage dérivé de la prédominance géopolitique de l'occident. Cette prédominance, qui semblait si évidente au dix-neuvième siècle et au début du vingtième, a fini par être sérieusement défiée dans la deuxième moitié du vingtième siècle et peut parfaitement devenir une réalité décroissante au cours du vingt et unième siècle.

Mais même si l'eurocentrisme devait disparaître en tant que force intellectuelle à la suite du déclin du monde occidental, il pourrait bien sûr être simplement remplacé par d'autres "centrismes", par exemple, le japonocentrisme ou le sinocentrisme. Nous n'en savons encore rien. Néanmoins, les débats intellectuels ne changeront pas simplement à cause d'un changement de localisation géographique du centre. Car le problème intellectuel fondamental reste la relation entre l'universel et le particulier dans les sciences sociales.

Il existe un niveau où toute activité cognitive est une recherche d'universaux, d'explications qui interprètent la réalité empirique, ce qui revient à dire qu'on explique la réalité perçue en termes de quelque chose d'autre. Ce quelque chose d'autre doit être un universel auquel on doit aspirer. Mais il existe un autre niveau où toute activité cognitive est particulariste, du moment où cette activité est conduite par des individus ou des groupes qui ont des origines sociales et des attaches sociales, et ceci aussi loin que leurs attaches personnelles leur permettent de dériver. Aucune activité cognitive universalisatrice ne peut jamais atteindre pleinement une position universaliste. Aucune activité cognitive particularisatrice ne peut jamais s'empêcher de faire des revendications sous la forme de mini-grands récits.

La manière dont nous avons affronté ce dilemme au cours des derniers 150-200 ans a consisté, dans l'ensemble, à prendre parti à préférer une orientation plutôt qu'une autre, à être nomothétique ou idiographique, à avoir une seule science sociale pour toute l'humanité ou à en avoir deux (une pour l'occident et une pour les autres). Ce que nous pouvons voir plus clairement aujourd'hui est que nous ne pouvons pas vraiment choisir entre l'universel et le particulier, de la même manière que nous ne pouvons pas non plus choisir entre le structurel et l'historique. Nous sommes réduits à analyser toute chose dans sa contradiction comme étant à la fois une expression de l'universel et une représentation de l'irréductible particulier, les deux ayant une structure qui peut être décrite et donc fixée et une histoire qui fait que la structure est immédiatement différente de ce qu'elle était l'instant avant.

Le problème auquel est confrontée la science sociale aujourd'hui est de développer une méthodologie qui soit en accord avec cette incapacité de choisir et qui assume collectivement la charge de bâtir un universalisme pluraliste. Le fait que ceci semble extrêmement difficile et rempli de grands pièges logiques n'est pas une excuse pour ne pas poursuivre dans cette voie, car je crois que c'est la seule voie qui existe dans la sombre forêt où nous nous trouvons d'un point de vue intellectuel. L'occident et les autres? L'orient et l'occident? Le Nord et le Sud? Oui, bien sûr, et non, bien sûr que non. (Traduit par Jordi Vidal)

## El Occidente y los otros

Cuando las ciencias sociales fueron construidas en el siglo diecinueve, eran originalmente una serie de prácticas localizadas en unos pocos países, básicamente cinco: Gran Bretaña, Francia, Alemania, Italia y los Estados Unidos. Era lógico que las disciplinas emergentes - en particular, historia, economía, ciencia política y sociología - tuvieran que ver, principalmente, con la realidad empírica de estos cinco países, y, más extensamente, con el "Occidente". La supuesta problemática intelectual de la "modernidad" fue un objeto fundamental de la investigación intelectual de las ciencias sociales: qué era, qué "problemas" sociales causaba, cómo podríamos entender mejor su evolución.

Al mismo tiempo, los científicos sociales fueron conscientes de que el "Occidente" no era la totalidad del mundo. Sin embargo, en el siglo diecinueve creían que el no-Occidente era no-moderno, y, por lo tanto, fundamentalmente distinto del Occidente. La pregunta que, consecuentemente, fue planteada era tanto el porqué cuanto el cómo estudiar el no-Occidente. En algún sentido, la respuesta básica a porqué el "Occidente" debe estudiar a los "otros" fue para definir sus diferencias con Occidente, y de qué forma eran no-"modernos", y por eso de qué manera el "Occidente" era moderno. La respuesta a cómo estudiar el no-Occidente fue doble. Por un lado, fueron establecidas unas disciplinas especiales para estudiar el no-Occidente: la antropología para estudiar los así llamados pueblos primitivos, y los estudios orientales para investigar las así llamadas grandes civilizaciones (China, India, el mundo árabe, etc.). Adicionalmente, sin embargo, los científicos sociales, principalmente sociólogos, crearon conceptos que definían la diferencia esencial entre el Occidente y los otros en términos de una serie de antinomias: status y contrato (Maistre), sociedad militar e industrial (Spencer), solidaridad mecánica y orgánica (Durkheim), legitimación tradicional y racional-legal (Weber), los patrones variables de Parsons.

La transformación del mundo desde 1945 minó las bases sociales de estas construcciones del siglo diecinueve. La extensión de las ciencias sociales a todos los rincones de la tierra, y lo más importante, la reafirmación política del mundo no-Occidental, plantearon preguntas fundamentales sobre la distinción entre el Occidente y los otros. Deshizo la lógica de tener disciplinas separadas dedicadas a diferentes partes del mundo. Hoy sociólogos e historiadores de Estados Unidos estudian Sri Lanka y antropólogos de Sri Lanka estudian los Estados Unidos. Todos podemos multiplicar los ejemplos.

Pero aún más importante: las preguntas fueron planteadas sobre las antinomias, y con qué exactitud definen lo moderno. Hoy algunos creen que todos hemos pasado ya más allá de la modernidad, hacia el nuevo terreno llamado pos-modernidad. Hay otros que creen que lo "moderno" no existe realmente, en el sentido de que los presuntos cambios que el "Occidente moderno" introdujo no fueron tan diferentes de los patrones existentes en el resto del mundo. En particular, algunos destacan el ascenso del Lejano Oriente en los últimos años simplemente como su retorno a una posición central en el mundo, después de un breve (y, se argumenta, de menor importancia) interludio de autoafirmación europea.

Todavía quedan entre nosotros algunos defensores apasionados de la validez de la distinción entre el Occidente y el resto del mundo. Pero esta distinción no puede ser considerada por más tiempo como un dogma, y tiene que ser defendida como una postura intelectual controvertida. Obviamente, al plantear el problema del "Occidente" y el "resto del mundo" se utiliza el lenguaje derivado de la dominación geopolítica del Occidente. Esta dominación, que parecía ser tan evidente por sí misma en los siglos diecinueve y veinte, ha llegado a ser vigorosamente desafiada en esta segunda mitad del siglo veinte, y puede llegar a disminuir rápidamente en el siglo veintiuno.

Pero incluso si, como resultado de la posición declinante del mundo occidental, el eurocentrismo desapareciera como fuerza intelectual, podría por supuesto llegar a ser reemplazado por otros "centrismos": nipocentrismo, chinocentrismo, por ejemplo. Todavía no lo sabemos. Sin embargo, los problemas intelectuales no cambian porque cambie el lugar geográfico del centro. Porque el problema intelectual básico es la relación entre lo universal y lo particular en el análisis de las ciencias sociales.

Hay una percepción de que la actividad intelectual es una búsqueda de lo universal, de explicaciones que interpreten la realidad empírica, lo que quiere decir que uno está explicando la realidad percibida en términos de algo más. Este algo más tiene que ser una aspiración a lo universal. Pero hay otra percepción de que la actividad intelectual es particularista, porque esta actividad es desarrollada por personas y grupos que están socialmente condicionados, y socialmente anclados, no importa hasta qué punto sus particulares anclajes les permiten deambular. Una actividad intelectual que universalice jamás puede llegar a conseguir plenamente una postura universalista. Una actividad intelectual que particularice jamás puede evitar las reclamaciones de que adopta una forma de, al menos, pequeña-gran narración.

La forma en la que hemos tratado este dilema durante los últimos 150-200 años ha sido, en general, elegir posiciones, preferir una orientación a otra, ser nomotético o idiográfico, tener una única ciencia social para toda la humanidad o tener dos (una para el Occidente y otra para el resto del mundo). Lo que quizás podemos ver con más claridad hoy es que realmente no podemos elegir entre lo universal y lo particular, igual que no podemos elegir entre lo estructural y lo histórico. Estamos condenados a analizar todo en su contradicción, siendo simultáneamente una expresión de lo universal y una representación de lo irremediablemente particular, teniendo ambas una estructura describible y por tanto fija, y teniendo una historia tal que la estructura es siempre inmediatamente diferente de lo que fue un momento antes.

El problema de las ciencias sociales de hoy es desarrollar una metodología que sea consonante con su incapacidad para elegir, y asumir colectivamente el peso de la construcción de un universalismo pluralista. El hecho de que esto parezca increíblemente difícil, y lleno de grandes trampas lógicas, no es excusa para no seguir este camino, porque creo que es el único camino que existe en el oscuro bosque en el que nos encontramos intelectualmente. ¿El Occidente y los "otros"? ¿El Este y el Oeste? ¿El Norte y el Sur? Sí, por supuesto, y no, por supuesto no.

(Traducido por José I. Reguera e Izabela Barlinska).

# ISA Ethical Guidelines

ISA Executive Committee has been approached by Walter Korpi and Joakim Palme (Sweden) to establish ethical guidelines for the use of researcher-established databases. The following Statement was adopted by the Executive Committee at its annual meeting held in November 1996:

*Databases should not be regarded as being in the public domain until the researchers who have assembled them have specified the sources of their data and the methods by which they were constructed. Information about sources and methods should be made available within a reasonable time. Interim data sets should be available for inspection of their accuracy by other scholars.*

This request led to a wider discussion on whether the ISA should elaborate an international code of ethics and what issues should be covered. *Please send your opinion to the ISA Secretariat in Madrid by August 1, 1997.* A sub-committee composed of ISA Executive Committee members: Linda Christiansen-Ruffman, Juan Díez-Nicolás, Vincenzo Ferrari (Chair), and Göran Therborn, will prepare a report to be discussed at the 1997 Executive Committee meeting.

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## ISA XIV World Congress of Sociology July 26 - August 1, 1998, Montréal, Canada

### Welcome from the Canadian Congress Organising Committee

by Gilles Pronovost  
The President of the Local Organising Committee

Dear ISA Members,

On the behalf of the *Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association* and the *Association canadienne des sociologues et anthropologues de langue française*, and on the behalf of the Local Organising Committee, I am pleased to invite you to the XIVth World Congress of Sociology, which will be held in Montréal, from July 26 to August 1, 1998. This congress will mark the 50th anniversary of the ISA, which adds a particular and significant historical character to it.

The venue of Montréal as host of the World Congress of Sociology reflects the vitality of the Québec and Canadian sociology. Associations have a membership far beyond the ratio of many other countries, they hold regular meetings and publish regular Newsletters. The many departments of sociology offer university programs at all levels. The sociological journals have world-wide diffusion. Many researchers are active in international organisations. There are four universities and multiple research

centres, private and public in Montreal, which is also renowned for the quality and the diversity of its cultural activities, have various museums and hold international festivals.

We are proud to have the opportunity to welcome this World Congress. We put every energy to make this event an unforgettable one.

Please read carefully the Registration brochure for every detail regarding registration, lodging, cultural activities, day care etc. The deadlines must be strictly met.

I look forward to welcoming you in Montréal in the Summer of 1998. Please accept, dear colleagues, my best wishes.

Gilles Pronovost  
The President of the Local Organising Committee of the XIVth World Congress of Sociology

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**Congress theme: *Social Knowledge: Heritage, Challenges, Perspectives***

## Three Presidential Sessions

These sessions will be organized by Immanuel Wallerstein, President of ISA, and will all be plenary sessions.

### **Presidential Session I:** July 26, 1998 (Sunday)

Part I, 16:00-18:00: Opening Ceremony

(Reception for participants 18:00-19:00)

Part II, 20:30-22:30: Presidential Address

Chair: Raquel Sosa Elizaga (Mexico)

### **Presidential Session II:** July 28, 1998 (Tuesday), 20:30-22:30

"Social Knowledge and the Multiplicity of Languages and Cultures"

Chair: Alain Touraine (France)

### **Presidential Session III:** August 1, 1998 (Saturday), 9:00-12:00

Part I: Installation of New President

Part II: "The Future of Sociology and Social Sciences in the Twenty-first Century"

Chair: Alberto Martinelli (Italy)

## Six Symposia

Each Symposium will consist of 4 sessions to be held at 9:00-12:00 on July 27, 28, 30, 31, 1998 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday).

*Papers by invitation only.*

### **Symposium I: *Changing Identities and Social Order***

Programme Coordinators: Claus Offe (Germany) and Piotr Sztompka (Poland)

Session 1: Demos vs. Ethnos

Session 2: Gemeinschaft and Gesellschaft

Session 3: Religion between Universalism and Fundamentalism

Session 4: Gender and Changing Social Roles

### **Symposium II: *Work and Technology***

Programme Coordinators: Anibal Quijano (Peru) and Dale Tomich (USA)

Session 1: The Determinants of Labour Market Participation

Session 2: New Technologies and Organization of Work: Alienation and Fulfillment

Session 3: Work and the Life Cycle

Session 4: The Future of Wage Work

### **Symposium III: *The Quality of Modern Life: Assets and Liabilities***

Programme Coordinators: Eva Alterman Blay (Brazil) and t.b.a.

Session 1: What Kind of Health, for Whom and How?

Session 2: Cities: Centers of Tolerance or Violence?

Session 3: Consumption and Leisure: The Pursuit of Happiness?

Session 4: Cultural Expression and Self-realization

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**Note: Only invited papers will be presented at the Symposia sessions**

### **Symposium IV: *Unequal Development: Causes and Consequences***

Programme Coordinators: Samir Naim-Ahmed (Egypt) and Kokichi

Shoji (Japan)

Session 1: Shifting Cores and Peripheries

Session 2: Massive Migrations: Re-shaping Societies

Session 3: Human Rights and Unequal Life Chances

Session 4: Environmental Deterioration and Global Inequalities

### **Symposium V: *Natural Parameters of Social Existence***

Programme Coordinators: Claudine Herzlich (France) and Marc Renaud (Canada)

Session 1: Bio-identities and the State

Session 2: New Health and Environmental Dangers

Session 3: Body Engineering and Rights to Life

Session 4: Bio-identities and Social Interactions

### **Symposium VI: *Social Science and Power: Knowledge for What?***

Programme Coordinators: Christine Inglis (Australia) and Partha N. Mukherji (India)

Session 1: Material Basis of Scholarship and Research

Session 2: Ideology and Social Sciences: The Precarious Relationship

Session 3: Policy Making and Applied Sociology

Session 4: The Twentieth-Century Heritage and the Universalization of Sociology

## TIMETABLE OF ACADEMIC SESSIONS

### ISA XIV WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY MONTREAL 1998

1998	9:00-12:00	14:00-16:00	16:30-18:30	20:30-22:30
<b>Sunday 26 July</b>			<b>16:00</b> Opening Ceremony <b>18:00</b> Reception	Presidential Session I
<b>Monday 27 July</b>	Symposia	RC, WG, TG	RC, WG, TG	RC Additional Events
<b>Tuesday 28 July</b>	Symposia	RC, WG, TG	RC, WG, TG Additional Events	Presidential Session II
<b>Wednesday 29 July</b>	RC, WG	FREE RC (optional)	FREE RC (optional)	FREE
<b>Thursday 30 July</b>	Symposia	RC, WG, TG	RC, WG, TG Additional Events	RC Additional Events
<b>Friday 31 July</b>	Symposia	RC, WG, TG	RC, WG, TG	RC Additional Events
<b>Saturday 1 August</b>	Presidential Session III and Installation of New President	RC (optional)	RC (optional)	

## TIMETABLE OF ISA ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS

### ISA XIV WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY MONTREAL 1998

1998	
<b>Sunday 26 July</b>	09:30-11:30 Research Council (1st meeting) Business meeting  13:00-15:00 Council of National Associations (1st meeting) Business meeting
<b>Wednesday 29 July</b>	20:00-22:00 Assembly of Councils Election of the President and Vice-Presidents
<b>Thursday 30 July</b>	17:00-19:00 Council of National Associations (2nd meeting) Election of 8 members of the ISA Executive Committee  20:00-22:00 Research Council (2nd meeting) Election of 8 members of the ISA Executive Committee
<b>Saturday 1 August</b>	13:00-15:00 New ISA Executive Committee Meeting



## Sessions of the Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups

### ► How to present a paper

Anyone interested in presenting a paper should contact as soon as possible the Programme Coordinator (or the Chair of the session if already available) of her/his choice. All names and addresses are listed below.

### RC01 Armed Forces & Conflict Resolution

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### RC02 Economy & Society

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### RC03 Community Research

Preliminary Program for RC 03 Sessions. Members interested in presenting a paper should contact sessions chairs listed below.

#### **Session 1: Transformations in Urban Leadership: the New Political Culture**

Co-Chairs: •Terry Nichols CLARK (Univ Chicago, 1126 E. 59th, Suite 322, Chicago, IL 60637, USA, tel: 1-312-702-8686, fax: 1-312-702-8686, email: tnc@cicero.spc.uchicago),

•Vincent HOFFMANN-MARTINOT (Centre d'Etude et de Recherche sur la vie locale, Institute d'Etudes politiques de Bordeaux, Domaine Universitaire, 33405 Talence BP 101, France, tel: 33-56-844252 fax: 33-56-374537), email: Vhm@frbdx11.cribx1.u-bordeaux.fr

The New Political Culture emerged as effort to capture some key reasons behind major innovations in local government. These often came with a new mayor and council, who sometimes effected small revolutions. From ECPR meetings in Amsterdam, Limerick, and Leiden, comparisons across nations helped us sharpen specifics. Draft papers from the Madrid World Congress onward, and a special conference in Paris, led Terry Clark and Vincent Hoffmann-Martinot to assume editorship, and Ronald Inglehart to join us in an introduction to the book, *The New Political Culture*. We have analysed FAUI data for several years as summarized in papers in this session. Yet we developed so many strong candidates for papers, including student papers at the University of Chicago, that Mike Rempel and Terry Clark are editing a book of analyses of citizen survey data, *The Politics of Post-Industrial Society*. Harald Baldersheim and his associates have used organizational culture to organize many administrative changes in local government. "Reinventing government" and similar labels are applications of similar concerns. Controversies over these issues have emerged, as variations on these and other interpretations have been presented. This session provides a forum to assess what we have learned and where to go next.

#### **Session 2. Social Movements, Community Power and Urban**

#### **Innovation in the Iberian Countries and Latin America.**

Co-Chairs: •Harald FUHR and •Tim CAMPBELL (World Bank, Washington, DC, USA, email: hfuhr@worldbank.org), •Martha LANDA (Cacheuta 3669 Bo. Residencial V. Sarsfield, 5016 Cordoba, Argentina, tel: 54-51-69031 fax: 54-51-241302), •Lourdes LOPEZ NIETO (UNED, Fac Ciencias Politicas y Sociologia, Senda del Rey s/n, 28040 Madrid, Spain, tel: 34-1-3987003, fax: 34-1-3987003)

The World Bank has sponsored a substantial project on these themes for several years that has led to case studies in large cities across Latin America. These rich reports of specifics contrast with the more quantitative work by many others. Martha Landa organized a session in Spanish in Madrid that was highly successful. She was joined by others for this one. Her own FAUI work in Argentina has now been through two waves of data collection, from which she continues to publish papers. Her presentation at the Tampere meeting in Summer 1993 made the Scandinavians pay attention to the dramatic differences in Latin countries. Lourdes Nieto is conducting new urban studies in Spain. Papers may be in English or Spanish.

#### **Session 3. The Progressive City: How Do Localities Support Poor-oriented Activities?**

Co-Chairs: •Dan CHEKKI (515 Portage Ave, Univ Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Canada R3B 2E9), •Sophie BODY-GENDROT (FNSP, 27 rue St Guillaume, 75337 Paris Cedex 7, France), •Dominique JOYE (IREC-DAEPFL, Case postale 555, 1001 Lausanne, tel: 41-21-6933409, fax: 41-21-6933840, email: dj@dasun1.epfl.ch),

•Anton M. J. KREUKELS (Univ Utrecht, Inst Regional Planning, Heidelberglaan 2, 3584 CS Utrecht, The Netherlands)

Dan Chekki has served as Secretary of RC03 for several years and brought attention to concerns of the disadvantaged, and progressive policy solutions that some cities have found. Sophie Body-Genderot and Dominique Joye have similarly been synthesizing lessons from cities that others can learn from. Anton Kruekels has been an influential national urban policy advisor on these issues in the Netherlands, and completed two national reports and two waves of FAUI surveys with Tejo Spit.

#### **Session 4: Urban Canada: Traditional and Emerging Patterns**

Co-Chairs. •James LIGHTBODY (Dept Political Science, Univ Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6G 2H4, tel: 1-403-4923555, fax: 1-403-4922586), •Jacques LEVILLE (Dept Science Politique, UQAM, 1255 St. Dennis, Montréal, QUE H3C 3P8, Canada, tel: 1-514-9874590)

Canada offers many international lessons if we ask the right questions and look carefully at similarities and differences from other countries. Jim Lightbody and Jacques Leville are leading observers of Canadian cities. They may add more specific themes

as the program starts to take shape. We hope too to find ways to meet with some local officials in Montreal, and perhaps have some sort of tour.

**Session 5: The Politics of Urban Transitions: Post-communist Regimes in Comparative Perspective.**

Co-Chairs: •Harald BALDERSHEIM (Dept Political Sciences, Univ Oslo, Box 1097 Blindern, 0317 Oslo, Norway, tel: 47-22857189, fax:47-228544, email:Harald.Baldersheim@stv.uio.no), •Michael ILLNER (Inst Sociology, Czech Academy Sciences, Jilka 1, 110 00 Prague 1; Czech Republic, tel: 42-2-24220256, fax: 42-2-24220278, email: illner@earn.cvvt.cz)

Post-Communist Regimes in Comparative Perspective illustrates a major achievement joining East and West. After a Warsaw conference in 1989, the East Europeans expressed interest in working with us more seriously. Harald Baldersheim and Michael Illner led many focused sessions and conferences, that led to two books of case studies of the transition to democracy in individual cities and towns, then national surveys of city leaders, and citizen surveys (see summaries in past FAUI Newsletters). Several country reports have been published in Hungarian and Polish, and a major book is just out in English, H. Baldersheim, Michael Illner and others, *Local Democracy...* (Westview 1996).

**Session 6: New Urban Politics: How are Local Parties Changing?**

Co-Chairs: •Martin SAIZ (Dept Political Science, Notre Dame Univ, South Bend, IN, USA; tel: 1-219-631-8209, email: martin.r.saiz.1@nd.edu), •Hans GESER (Inst Sociology, Univ Zuerich, Raemistrasse 69, 8001 Zuerich, Switzerland, tel: 41-1-2572145, fax: 41-1-2521054)

Local Parties Past FAUI and ISA meetings have generated many papers concerning parties. Hans Geser has some particularly dramatic results from a massive survey of Swiss parties, and joined Martin Saiz as coeditor of a book on local parties. Some papers for this session are candidates for their volume.

**Session 7: The New Community Power.**

Co-Chairs: •Michael GOLDSMITH (Dept Politics and Contemporary History, Salford Univ, Salford M5 4WT, UK), •Richard HULA (Dept Political Science, Michigan State Univ, East Lansing, MI 48824-1032, USA, tel: 1-517-3362047, fax: 1-1517-3361091).

The New Community Power emerges from Mike Goldsmith and Rich Hula's continuing work on leadership and power. Rich Hula and Clarence Stone have a new study of US cities and how their leaders are searching for innovative solutions. Mike Goldsmith has himself been a major source of innovation in British urban policy work for over a decade, and may offer some new perspectives from the major British urban study that he participates in with Gerry Stoker.

**Session 8: Urban Economic Development: What Works, Where and Why? Shifting Paradigms to Encompass Amenities, Small vs. Large Firms, and Appropriate Incentives.**

Chair: •Norman WALZER (Dept Economics, Western Illinois Univ, Macomb, IL 61455, USA, tel: 1-309-2981031, fax: 1-309-2982142) Norman Walzer launched this subproject at the Neuchatel, Switzerland conference in 1993, where Claude Jeanrenaud helped us assemble three working groups that each are leading to separate books or special journal issues. He has spearheaded urban development work over several years, and edited a book that grew out of the Neuchatel and Bielefeld conferences, *Local Economic Development* (Westview 1996). Much new has emerged since that we hope to include.

**Session 9: Urban Government Growth and Retrenchment.**

Co-Chairs: •George BOYNE (email: SBSGAB@cardiff.ac.uk), •Keith HOGGART (Dept Geography, King's College London, Strand, London WC2R 2LS, UK, tel: 44-171-873-2713, fax: 44-171-873-2287, email: keith.hoggart@kcl.ac.uk),

•Dieter DETTKE (Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Washington, DC; email: FESDC@aol.com)

Government Growth and Retrenchment was a second Neuchatel

working group, and a book in progress. Oscar Gabriel and his Stuttgart team completed several very creative papers and a major work in German that we hope to bring to more general attention. The specific role of political parties is a major focus of our growth of government book, which has been thoughtfully analysed by George Boyne and Keith Hoggart in work to date especially on Britain. These issues have been at the core of many political party discussions, particularly such left parties rethink their concern for central planning and national government leadership? The French Socialists under Mitterand, and British Labour Party under Tony Blair have moved this way. The German SPD has been more cautious, but Dieter Dettke and others from the SPD have sponsored discussions and debates that we hope to continue here.

**Session 10: Globalization and Urban Processes.**

Co-Chairs: •Alan HARDING (European Inst Urban Affairs, Liverpool John Moores Univ, 51 Rodney St, Liverpool L1 9AT, UK, email: A.P.HARDING@livjm.ac.uk), •Joseph YI (Dept Political Science, Univ Chicago, Pick Hall, Chicago, IL 60637, USA, email: josephyi@midway.uchicago.edu), •Dele OLOWU (Dept Public Administration, Univ Ife, Ile-Ife, Nigeria).

Globalization and Urban Processes Globalization is widely recognized as a critical force transforming urban processes, but just it operates remains murky. How to identify and assess governmental processes that may affect the private sector processes are critical research and policy concerns for the years to come. Alan Harding has undertaken thoughtful case studies of politically progressive cities in Northern Europe and identified some important parallels and differences among them, as well as contrasts with North American cities. Harald Baldersheim has undertaken surveys of Norwegian and Finnish cities about their international coordination efforts.

**Session 11: Gender and the City**

Co-Chairs: •Lynn APPLETON (Dept Sociology, Florida Atlantic Univ, 500 N.20th St., Boca Raton, FL 33432, USA), •Susan CLARKE (Dept Political Science, Univ Colorado, Boulder, CO 80302, USA, tel: 1-407-3673278, fax: 1-303-492-2953), •Gerda R. WEKERLE (Fac Environmental Studies, York Univ, 4700 Keele Street, North York, ONT M3J 1P3, Canada, tel: 1-416-7362100 ext. 22636, fax: 1416-7365679, email: gwekerle@yorku.ca).

Gender and the City emerges from the successful session in Bielefeld led by Susan Clarke, Lynn Appleton and Gerda Wekerle. They suggested another session on gender and the city; new work has been undertaken on gender in many countries that we may learn about here.

**Session 12: Roundtable: Planning for Future International Urban Research Building on Past Surveys of the Fiscal Austerity and Urban Innovation Project**

Co-Chairs: •Terry Nichols CLARK (Univ Chicago, 1126 E. 59th, Suite 322, Chicago, IL 60637, USA, tel: 1-312-702-8686, fax: 1-312-702-8686, email: tnc@cicero.spc.uchicago),

•Harald BALDERSHEIM (Dept Political Sciences, Univ Oslo, Box 1097 Blindern, 0317 Oslo, Norway, tel: 47-22857189, fax:47-228544, email: Harald.Baldersheim@stv.uio.no)

This Roundtable session will provide a forum for active urban researchers to review major national urban studies in progress. Several national teams have been adding items and repeating versions of past surveys that provide pretests for larger-scale international collaboration. We can alert one another to major future data collection efforts; air recommendations of items from past urban surveys (especially of the Fiscal Austerity and Urban Innovation Project and Local Democracy and Innovation Project in Eastern Europe) that deserve repetition due to interesting results, especially striking cross-national differences that have emerged; offer and solicit suggestions for new items that have been illuminating in other urban studies. Future International Urban Research is a Roundtable to discuss future work that we may pursue together, via common surveys, Ph.D. student exchanges, summer schools, data sharing, and more. Most participants are

both national and international leaders in these activities. We look forward to exchanging ideas.

Tentative Participants: Poul-Erik MOURITZEN (Denmark), Norman WALZER (USA), Vincent HOFFMANN-MARTINOT (France), Michael GOLDSMITH (UK), P.O. NORELL (Sweden), Michael ILLNER (Czech Republic), Pawel SWIANIEWICZ (Poland), Martha LANDA (Argentina), Hans GESER (Switzerland), Johan ACKAERT (Belgium).

#### **Session 13: Business Meeting**

### **RC04 Sociology of Education**

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### **RC05 Ethnic, Race & Minority Relations**

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### **RC06 Family Research**

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### **RC07 Futures Research**

Programme Coordinators: •Raimon BACHIKA (Bukkyo Univ, Dept Sociology, Murasakino Kitanobocho 96, Kita-ku Kyoto, 603 Japan, Fax 81-78-2521337, email: bachika@bukkyo-u.ac.jp) and •Eleonora Barbieri MASINI (Via Bertoloni 23, 00197 Rome, Italy, tel / fax: 39-6-8072529, Email: fmasini@pelagus.it)

The below preliminary RC07 programme will be finalized at the interim meeting in Kyoto, September 1997. *General theme: Trends of Life in the XX1st Century*

**Sessions 1 & 2: Future of Traditional Culture and Religions: an overview of the Kyoto meeting.**

Responsible: •Reimon BACHIKA (Bukkyo Univ, Dept Sociology, Murasakino Kitanobocho 96, Kita-ku Kyoto, 603 Japan, Fax 81-78-2521337, email: bachika@bukkyo-u.ac.jp)

**Sessions 3 & 4: Foundations of Futures Studies is there a sociological heritage in this direction or not and if not why?**

Responsible: Wendell BELL

**Sessions 5 & 6: What challenges have and are provoking futures studies and are they similar or different to the challenges faced by sociology and social sciences in general? How have such challenges influenced the two areas?. Are the reactions of the two areas similar or different?**

Responsible: •Eleonora Barbieri MASINI (Via Bertoloni 23, 00197 Rome, Italy, tel / fax: 39-6-8072529, Email: fmasini@pelagus.it)

**Sessions 7 & 8: Perspectives of social sciences in general and specifically futures studies (specially in relation to communities and communications in the next millennium).** Responsibilities:

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•Susantha GOONATILAKE (Cntr Studies Social Change, New School Social Research, 64 University Place, New York, NY 10003, USA, tel: 1-212-2295321)

**Session 9: Joint meeting with Working Group on Sociocybernetics and Social System Theory**

Responsible: •Felix GEYER (SISWO, Plantage Muidergracht 4, 1018 TV Amsterdam, The Netherlands, fax: 31-20-6229430, email geyer@siswo.uva.nl)

**Session 10: What are the scenarios emerging in different parts of the world**

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**Session 11: Business meeting.**

Responsible: RC07 Secretariat

### **RC08 History of Sociology**

Planned sessions and organizers (*the detailed time table of RC08 sessions will be worked out later; the order in which they are listed below has no significance*):

**1. Construction of sociological knowledge in the colonial setting.**

This session will consider the history of sociology's encounter with colonial societies. Subjects such as the role of metropolitan research institutions, local centres of research, the role of indigenous knowledge, the origins of concepts and theories used to discuss colonial societies are some of the themes to be considered.

Organisers: •Frank FUREDI, Kynes College, The University, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NP, UK, email: ff2@ukc.ac.uk

•Lyn SCHUMAKER, Wellcome Unit, Maths Tower, Univ Manchester, Manchester M13 9PL, UK

**2. In search of a 'good society': the concept of sociology as a 'moral science' in the history of sociology.**

The different courses of the concept of sociology as a scholarly enterprise to formulate scientific designs for the 'good society' in different national traditions; the historical processes of the 'scientific turn' after which even the idea of sociology as a 'moral science' was banned as unscientific; where does sociology stand in this discussion as we approach the 21st century?

Organisers: •Dirk KAESLER, Inst Sociology, Univ Marburg, Am Gruen 1, 35037 Marburg, Germany, email: kaesler@nws.fb03.uni-marburg.de

•Maarten MENTZEL, Johan de Wittstraat 38, 2334 AR Leiden, The Netherlands, email: maartenm@sepa.tudelft.nl

**3. National sociological associations**

National sociological associations have been given little attention in the history of sociology, but they play a significant role in it both organisationally and intellectually, though that role has differed considerably from one country or period to another. This session will attempt to compare different associations and to relate them to their social contexts. The issues raised may range from their internal organisation and membership to their external political roles, and will include both their intellectual functions and their concern for such matters as research funding and members' employment. (A detailed list of topics which it might be relevant to cover will be circulated to those interested.)

Organiser: •Jennifer PLATT, Arts E, Univ Sussex, Brighton BN1 9QN, Sussex, England, email: j.platt@sussex.ac.uk

**4. Histories of the use of sociological concepts in sociological research**

Concepts mediate the relationship between theory and empirical research. The focus would be on the history of such use of particular concepts; examples could include anomie, social cohesion, charisma, social class, party self-identification, self-reported illness, poverty, religious belief. Discussion of any suitable concept would be considered.

Organiser: •Martin BULMER, Dept Sociology, Univ Surrey, Guildford, Surrey GU2 5XH, UK, email: m.bulmer@soc.surrey.ac.uk

**5. Interconnections between early sociology and social policy**  
The interventions of early sociologists in the practical, political arena of social policy.

Organiser: •Rosalind SYDIE, Dept Sociology, Univ Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2H4, Canada, email: rsydie@gpu.srv.ualberta.ca

## 6. The Myrdals and modernity

Gunnar Myrdal was born in 1898, and played a quite significant role in the diffusion of some important strands of thought, carrying Chicago School concepts to Sweden and instrumental reform-minded policy analysis to the USA. He was influenced by Max Weber (scientific value-relativism) and Axel Haegerstrom (Scandinavian legal realism), and was successful on the American scene. His career, moreover, manifests the role of American philanthropy in the development of European as well as American social science. There is rich source material on him which has hardly been utilised. Papers relating to Alva Myrdal as well are most welcome. The Myrdals wrote books and travelled together and contributed to the same project of modernity and piecemeal social engineering. Key concepts: secularisation, intellectual migration, national styles of research, value freedom/-orientation, instrumental means/end analyses, anti-metaphysics, social engineering.

Organiser: •Sven ELIAESON, Box 3524 Naset, Saxhyttan, 71294 Grythyttan, Sweden

## 7. L'histoire de la sociologie canadienne / The history of Canadian sociology

Les thèmes suggérés sont les suivants: *les individus clefs*, surtout ceux qui n'ont particulièrement reçu beaucoup d'attention; *le développement de sociologies régionales* (du Québec, des Maritimes, de l'Ontario, des Prairies ou de la Colombie Britannique); *des liens historiques entre la sociologie et les autres disciplines* (ex. Anthropologie, économie politique, études des femmes, histoire sociale, philosophie...); de l'histoire des *domaines substantifs, théories ou approches méthodologiques*.

Suggested topics include: key individuals, especially those who have not yet received a great deal of attention; the development of regional sociologies (British Columbia, the Prairies, Ontario, Québec, the Maritimes); the historical links between sociology and other disciplines (e.g. anthropology, philosophy, political economy, social history, women's studies...); the history of substantive areas, theories or methodological approaches.

Organiser: •Richard HELMES-HAYES, Dept Sociology, Univ Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2L 3G1, email: rhh@uwaterloo.ca

## 8. The history of sociology and the stabilisation of disciplinary identity.

The debate around postmodernism, post-structuralism and systems theory has shown to what extent sociology is still far from being capable of drawing its boundaries towards either other social science disciplines or the free floating discourse of public opinion. This lack is often filled by resorting to the history of sociology as a way of stabilising a specific disciplinary identity. The session should therefore aim at investigating the role of the history of sociology by both mapping out the development of different historiographies, and questioning the performative function of their narration. In this light, a particular emphasis should be given to the constitution of a disciplinary canon and to the role attributed to the 'founding fathers' within it.

Organisers: •Paolo BARBESINO, CulCom, Univ Sussex, Brighton BN1 9RQ, Sussex, England, email: p.barbesino@sussex.ac.uk and •Salvino SALVAGGIO, 76 rue du Roi Albert, 4102 Ougree, Belgium, email: ssalvaggio@arcadis.be

## 9. The founding of German sociology: intellectual origins and social contexts.

Organisers: •Theresa WOBBE, Inst Sociology, Free Univ, Babelsbergerstr. 14-16, 10715 Berlin, German

•John P. DRYSDALE, 4015 Hampton Ave., Montréal, Québec H4A 2L1, Canada, email: drysdal@vax2.concordia.ca

## 10. East European traditions of sociology.

Organiser: •Hans-Peter MUELLER, Inst Sociology, Humboldt Univ, Unter den Linden 6, 10099 Berlin, Germany, email: hpmueller@sowi.hu-berlin.de

## 11. Changing discourses in Eastern and Central Europe.

Organiser: •Eva KARADI, Dept Philosophy, Univ Budapest ELTE, Egyetem ter 1, 1364 Budapest, Hungary, email: h3612tor@ella.hu

## 12. Studies and restudies of communities.

What can we learn from such studies about the history of sociology? This could be approached through looking at either classic one-off community studies, or restudies.

Organiser: •Jean-Michel CHAPOULIE, 4 Allée de la Tournelle, 91370 Verrières-le-Buisson, France

## 13. Harriet Martineau and the theoretical foundations of modern sociology.

Papers are invited on the continuing relevance of this pioneering British sociologist's work in sociology today, the sociobiographical location of Martineau's ideas and intellectual networks, Martineau's shifting fortunes in the sociology of knowledge, and the epistemological origins of modern sociology exemplified in her work. Topics especially welcomed will include her theoretical position and development over time, and the epistemological framework implicit in her translation / abridgment of Comte's *Positive Philosophy*.

Organiser: •Michael R. HILL, 2701 Sewell St., Lincoln, Nebraska 68502, USA

## 14. Hegel's social theory.

Despite the numerous references to Hegel in sociology and social theory insufficient attention has been paid to his ideas. This session would be devoted to helping to rectify this situation. Hegel is a dialectical thinker, and that means in part that he is one of the foremost thinkers who had a deep and abiding interest in social interaction at all levels. Topics in this session might include Hegel on recognition, on the family, the community, the society and the state, as well as his influence on sociological traditions.

Organiser: •Christopher ADAIR-TOTTEFF, American Univ, 2700 Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria, email: csat@nws.aubg.bg

## 15. Fin-de-siècle journals: the *Année Sociologique* and the *American Journal of Sociology*.

1998 will be the 100th anniversary of the first publication of the *Année Sociologique*, which started with leadoff articles by Durkheim and Simmel; the *ASJ* was already in its fourth year of publication. This session would enable participants to make comparisons regarding the contents, contributors, approaches and impacts of the two journals on their respective sides of the Atlantic.

Organiser: •E.A. TIRYAKIAN, Dept Sociology, Duke Univ, Durham, NC 27706, USA, email: durkhn@soc.duke.edu

## 16. General session.

This session is for papers which do not fit the remit of any other session. Only complete papers will be considered for it; an abstract is not sufficient.

Organiser: •Jennifer PLATT, Arts E, Univ Sussex, Brighton BN1 9QN, Sussex, England, email: j.platt@sussex.ac.uk

## RC09 Social Practice & Transformation

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Tentative list of RC10 session topics as suggested by Board members: Work environment, environment and participation; Industrial relations; Information and communication, technology and changes in work and participation in the media industries; Participation, efficiency and democracy; Organizational culture, participation and communication; Participation in the voluntary (NGO) sector; Participation in non-profit organizations; Participation vs. Globalization; Participation and military conversion; Participatory research methods; Levels of participation and democracy; Participation as a learning process; Preconditions for democratic participation; Regulation of direct participation; Direct participation

and representative participation (trade unions...); Form and experiences of participation (delegative, consultative...); New form of management and participation (the consequences...); Participation and sense making; Participation and power; Discourse analysis of participation and democracy; Organizational democracy and the small business; Democracy in loosely-coupled systems; Financial participation (property relations and participatory-democracy); Workplace democracy; History and future of participation; Stakeholder models; Participation, between efficiency and democracy? When is participation democratic? Venture capital; Scope of participation; Evaluation of participation; Participation and conflict; Participation in democratic movements; Citizen participation in local governments.

## RC11 Sociology of Aging

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## RC12 Sociology of Law

Session organizers:

### 1. Comparative Studies of Legal Professions

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### 2. Social and Legal Systems

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### 3. Law and Communication

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### 4. Law and Politics

•Oscar CORREAS, Inst Investigaciones Juridicas, Univ Autonoma, Circuito Mario de la Cueva, Del. Coyoacán, 04510 Mexico DF, Mexico, fax: 52-2-6652193

### 5. Human Rights

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### 6. Thesaurus

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### 7. Gender and Equality

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## RC13 Sociology of Leisure

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## RC14 Sociology of Communication, Knowledge & Culture

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## RC15 Sociology of Health

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Contact them if you would like to organize a session (which means that you are responsible for making arrangements with participants). If you would like to contribute to any of the below listed sessions, please contact the organizer. At present, eight session organizers have been identified together with the titles or topics for their sessions. These are:

### 1. Continuity and Change in the Structure of Health Occupations in Postmodern Societies

Organizer: •Judith SHUVAL (School of Public Health, Hebrew Univ Medical School, Ein Karem, Jerusalem 91010, Israel, fax: 972-2-5660429, email: msshual@pluto.mscc.huju.ac.il)

### 2. Community Health Care in an Era of Cost Containment

Organizer: •Donald LIGHT (Division Social & Behavioral Medicine, New Jersey Univ Medicine & Dentistry, 40 E. Laurel Road PCC218, Stratford, NJ 08084, USA, fax: 1-609-9217293)

### 3. Continuity of Medical Care

Organizers: •Jos DIEDERIKS and Fred STEVENS (Dept Medical Sociology, Univ Limburg, 6200 MD Maastricht, The Netherlands, fax: 31-34-3671048)

### 4. Health Professional Education and Health Care in Developing Societies

Organizer: •Eugene GALLAGHER (Dept Behavioral Science, Univ Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40536, USA, fax: 1-606-3235350, email: bscebg@ukcc.uky.edu)

### 5. Gender and Health

Organizer: •Elianne RISKKA (Dept Sociology, Abo Akademi Univ, Gezeliusg. 2A, 20500 Abo, Finland, fax: 358-2-2654808, email: eriska@aton.abo.fi)

### 6. Midwifery

Organizer: •Cecilia BENOIT (Dept Sociology, Univ Victoria, POB 3050 MS 7572, Victoria, BC V8W 3P5, Canada, fax: 1-250-7217578, email: cbenoit@uvic.ca)

### 7. Lay Knowledge and the Experience of Illness

Organizer: •Michael CALNAN (Cntr Health Service Studies, Univ Kent, George Allen Wing, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NF, UK, fax: 44-1227-827868)

### 8. The Canadian Health Care System

Organizer: •Louise BOUCHARD and Marc RENAUD (Dept Sociology, GRASP, Univ Montreal, CP 6128, Montreal, Que H3C 3J7, Canada, fax: 1-514-3432334, email: boucharl@ere.umontreal.ca)

## RC16 Sociological Theory

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## RC17 Sociology of Organization

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## RC18 Political Sociology

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## RC19 Poverty, Social Welfare & Social Policy

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## RC20 Comparative Sociology

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## RC21 Regional & Urban Development

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## RC22 Sociology of Religion

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•Ivan VRAGA, •Raymond LEMIEUX, •Roberto CIPRIANI.

The general theme of the sessions is *The Sacred in Modernity / Postmodernity*.

Suggested session themes:

1. *Utopia and the sacred*.

2. *The sacred as transgression*.

Convenor: •Frank PEARCE (Canada)

3. *The individual in non-Western societies*.

Convenor: •Andreas BUSS (Univ Ste. Anne, Church Point, NSW B0W 1M0, Canada, tel: 1-902-7692114, fax: 1-902-7692930, email buss@cat.ustanne.ns.ca)

4. *Space, time and the sacred in modernity/postmodernity*.

Convenor: •Richard ROBERTS (Dept Religious Studies, Lancaster Univ, Lancaster LA1 4YG, UK, tel: 44-11524-592423, fax: 44-11524-847029, email: r.roberts@lancaster.ac.uk)

5. *Sociology and theology on the sacred*

6. *New religious movements and the sacred*

7. *The sacred and the this-worldly in Islam*

8. *The mass and the sacred in modernity/postmodernity*

## RC23 Sociology of Science & Technology

The general theme is *The contribution of the Sociology of Science to Science and Technology Studies*.

Programme Coordinators:

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## RC24 Environment & Society

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## RC26 Sociotechnics, Sociological Practice

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## RC27 Sociology of Sport

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## RC28 Social Stratification

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## RC29 Deviance & Social Control

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Suggested session topics include: *women and crime, violence and democratization, policing, human rights, organized and economic crime, research on crime and social control, environmental crime*.

## RC30 Sociology of Work

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RC30 proposes 5 Thematic Seminars, one for each day of the Congress, with three sessions each (slots of two hours). The Thematic Seminars will be organized and coordinated by two members of the Board:

1. *Which way forward for the sociology of work? / Où va la Sociologie du Travail? / ¿A dónde va la sociología del trabajo?*

Organizers: •Juan José CASTILLO (Dept Sociología, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, tel: 34-1-3942874, fax: 34-1-3942876, email: soso303@sis.ucm.es), •Leni BEUKEMA (Bosstraat 58, 3971 XG Driebergen, The Netherlands, tel: 31-30-531408, fax: 31-30-534733, email: lbeukema@fsw.ruu.nl)

2. *Sociology of employment: the visible and the invisible / Sociologie de l'emploi: le visible et l'invisible / Sociología del empleo: lo visible y lo invisible*

Organizers: •Diane G. TREMBLAY (Télé-université, Univ Québec, 1001 Sherbrooke Street East, POB Station C, Montréal, Québec H2L 4L5, Canada, tel: 1-514-5223540, fax: 1-514-522 3608, email: dgtrembl@teluc.quebec.ca), •Ray JUREIDINI (Dept Anthropology & Sociology, Monash Univ, Clayton, VIC 3168, Australia, tel: 61-3-99052971, fax: 61-3-99052993, email: ray.jureidini@arts.monash.edu.au)

3. *Work in a globalizing economy / Le travail dans l'économie globalisée / El trabajo en la economía globalizada*

Organizers: •Jorge CARRILLO (El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, POB "L", Chula Vista, CA 91912, USA), •Daniel CORNFIELD (Dept Sociology, Vanderbilt Univ, Nashville, TN 37235, USA, tel: 1-615-3227626, fax: 1-651-3227505, email: cornfidb@ctrvax.vanderbilt.edu)

4. *Gender, race and ethnicity in the workplace / Genre, race et ethnicité dans le travail / Género, raza y etnicidad en el trabajo*

Organizers: •Alice R.P. ABREU (PPGS/IFCS/UFRJ, Largo de Sao Francisco 1, 20051-070 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, tel & fax: 55-21-2248965, email: aliabreu@omega.lncc.br), •Beatrice APPAY (CNRS, 14 rue Larmeroux, 92170 Vanves, France, tel: 33-1-45290426, fax: 33-1-40251203)

5. *Work of the future, work of the past / Travail du futur, travail du passé / Trabajo del futuro, trabajo del pasado*

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### RC31 Sociology of Migration

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### RC33 Logic & Methodology in Sociology

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### RC34 Sociology of Youth

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### RC35 Committee on Conceptual & Terminological Analysis

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### RC36 Alienation Theory & Research

RC36 has planned the following sessions:

#### 1. Alienation, antisemitism and authoritarianism

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#### 2. Alienation, identity and subjectivity

Organizer: •Lauren LANGMAN (Dept Sociology & Anthropology, Loyola Univ, Chicago, IL 60626, USA, tel: 1-773-5083463, fax: 1-773-5083646, email: YLPSLLP0@lucppua.it.lucledu)

#### 3. Alienation, race and ethnopolitical conflict

Organizer: •David SCHWEITZER (Dept Anthropology & Sociology, Univ British Columbia, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z1, Canada, tel: 1-604-8223576, fax: 1-604-8226161)

#### 4. Confronting the post-modern

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#### 5. Cultural policy and alienation

Organizer: •Pirkkoliisa AHPONEN (Dept Social Policy & Philosophy, Univ Joensuu, 80101 Joensuu, Finland, tel: 358-73-1514215, fax: 358-73-1514893, email: ahponen@joyl.joensuu.fi)

#### 6. Cybernetics and alienation: marriage or divorce (Joint session with WG01)

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#### 7. The economic and philosophical debates of 1998

Organizer: •Lauren LANGMAN (Dept Sociology & Anthropology, Loyola Univ, Chicago, IL 60626, USA, tel: 1-773-5083463, fax: 1-773-5083646, email: YLPSLLP0@lucppua.it.lucledu)

### 8. Myth and alienation

Organizer: •Shlomo SHOHAM (Fac Law, Tel Aviv Univ, Ramat Aviv, Tel Aviv 69978, Israel, tel: 972-3-6408164, fax: 972-3-6409576, email: dlevine@ccsg.tau.ac.il)

### 9. The resacralization of society

Organizer: •Philip WEXLER (Warner Graduate School of Education & Human Development, Univ Rochester, Wilson Blvd, Rochester, NY 14627, USA, tel: 1-716-2758300, fax: 1-716-4737598)

### 10. Theoretical and practical responses to alienation

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### 11. Tourism and alienation (Joint session with RC50 on International Tourism)

Organizer: •Nicolaus GOUSGOUNIS (Solomou 41, P. Psichicon, 15452 Athens, Greece, email: ngous@itel.gr)

### 12. Young scholarship on alienation

Organizer: •Nicolaus GOUSGOUNIS (Solomou 41, P. Psichicon, 15452 Athens, Greece, email: ngous@itel.gr)

### 13. Alienation and the Political Economy of Women

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### RC37 Sociology of Arts

The general theme of RC37 Sessions is *Works, Tastes, Values: New Trends in the Sociology of Art*.

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Joint session with AISLF CF18

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## RC38 Biography & Society

Sessions and Coordinators:

### 1. *Biographies in a Reflexive Modernity?*

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### 2. *Autobiographies in/and Biographical Research*

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### 3. *Doing Biographical Research*

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### 4. *The 'Narrative Turn' in Biographical Research*

Coordinator: •Matti HYVARINEN (Research Inst Social Sciences, Univ Tampere, POBox 607, Tampere, Finland, tel:358-3-2156999, fax: 358-3-2156502, email: ytmahy@uta.fi)

### 5. *Biographies as Constructions and/or Documents*

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### 6. *Gender, Ethnicity and Biography*

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### 7. *Narratives of/on the Body*

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### 8. *Biography and Migration*

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### 9. *Societies in Conflict Zones*

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### 10. *Life Experiences in Russia and Eastern Europe*

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Preliminary sessions titles: *Tourism / international tourism in the heritage and future of sociology; Understanding tourism - challenges for the 21st century.*

## Working Groups

### WG01 Sociocybernetics & Social System Theory

Tentative sessions proposals:

#### 1. *Dealing with Complexity*

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#### 3. *Sociocybernetics and human values*

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#### 4. *Theoretical and Methodological Approaches to the Study of Natural and Cultural Systems*

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#### 5. *The use of sociocybernetics concepts and theory for analysing complex societal problems*

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#### 6. *Socioeconomic long waves and future scenarios*

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#### 7. *Diversity management*

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#### 8. *Francophone session: Les complexities D+S SYST+MES observateurs*

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#### 9. *Constructing sociocybernetic society - towards an integration of society, technology, information, and ecology*

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#### 10. *The role of cybernetics in political organizations and social culture*

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#### 11. *Sociocybernetics as a symptom of practising science beyond disciplinarity*

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#### 12. *Sociocybernetics: bridging society and ecology for a sustainable future*

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### **14. Political organisations, systems approach and social change**

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### **15. The simplicity of complexity**

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### **16. Why society: an axiological approach to sociocybernetics**

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### **17. Systems analysis and the study of political and social change**

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### **18. Are creative misreadings part of the development process in sociocybernetics?**

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### **19. Choices and determinants of observational methodologies in social inquiry**

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Joint sessions with other groups

#### **1. Joint session with RC33 on Logic and Methodology: Sociocybernetics methodology**

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#### **2. Joint session with RC07 on Futures Research: Sociocybernetics and the future of the social sciences**

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#### **3. Joint session with RC36 on Alienation Theory and Research: Cybernetics and alienation: marriage or divorce?**

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### **3. Gender and Professions**

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### **5. Professions and Occupations: the Interface**

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### **6. Regulation and the Market: clients, customers and consumers**

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### **7. Professions and Vocations: the Future of Technical Work**

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## TG04 National Movements & Imperialism

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## TG05 Famine & Society

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The tentative themes for the sessions are: *Social Right to Food in Different Societies: Accounts in History; 'Stigma' and the Poor: a Historical Review of the Concept of Social Stigma of Being Poor; The Dating of Famines and the Analysis of Famine as a 'Process'; the Identification of the Poor and the Dependent: a Sociological Perspective.*

## TG06 Sociology of Local-Global Relations

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# Call for Participation and Papers

## DIALOGUE: A University Scholarship Program for Women in Developing Countries

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Fact: There is a strong relationship between education and socioeconomic development. Countries with high enrollments in education have a higher GNP per capita, greater labor productivity, more equitable income distribution, lower population growth, and healthier populations than countries with lower enrollments.

Fact: On many measures, educating females produces greater development benefits than educating males. Because of predominant gender roles, and the fact that

women are primarily responsible for the health, nutrition, and care of all family members, especially children, educating females produces outcomes different than educating males. In families and nations in which women are educated, there are fewer, healthier children who are raised to deal more effectively with the challenges that confront them.

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How you can help *Dialogue*. If you are convinced by the facts and interested in the *Dialogue* solution, please contact the Director of the IIS *Dialogue* Council R. Alan Hedley, Dept Sociology, Univ Victoria, POB 3050, Victoria, BC V8W 3P5, Canada, tel: 1-250-7217571, fax: 1-250-7216217, email: rahedley@uvic.ca

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2. Plans for completing the dissertation
3. Two letters of recommendation
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## Sociocybernetics: complexity, dynamics, and emergence in social science

ISA Working Group on Sociocybernetics and Social Systems (WG01) is pleased to announce the forthcoming publication of a selection of the most interesting and innovative papers presented at its successful August 1996 conference in Bucharest. The 250-page volume, entitled *Sociocybernetics: complexity, dynamics, and emergence in social science* is edited by WG01 Secretary Felix Geyer, and will be published in September 1997 as a double issue (vol. 26:6-7) of the journal *Kybernetes*.

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## Social Scientist Position at the World Bank

The World Bank is currently seeking a Social Scientist for the Policy Research Department, Poverty & Human Resources Division, Development Economics Vice Presidency, based at the Headquarters in Washington, DC.

The Development Economics (DEC) Vice Presidency is responsible for integrating research and policy work in international economics, macroeconomics, and microeconomics into Bank operations. The Policy Research Department (PRD) engages in research on the full range of macro and microeconomic issues underpinning the Bank's country assistance strategies and operations. The Department produces major cross-cutting research studies; offers the means to test and disseminate state-of-the-art analytical approaches in an operational context; and provides operational and country-based experience to its staff. The Poverty & Human Resource Division does original analytical and quantitative research on the measurement and determinants of poverty reduction, on social transfers and safety net programs, and on investments in human resources.

### Areas of Responsibility

To complement its strong economic staff, the Division is looking to hire a non-economist social scientist to design and implement research that fits into the

division's growing work program on the interaction between economic and social development.

The research will focus on the ways in which communities cooperate to serve common goals in developing country settings. This includes work on community action, 'social capital', participation, and local capacity, especially as these relate to the impact on human resources investments, as well as research on the 'moral economy', including private transfers between and/or within households interpretable as informal (non-governmental) safety nets.

#### Selection Criteria

1. PhD in Social Sciences, with special preference for sociology, anthropology or political economy.
2. At least five years experience conducting research focused on the interaction between economic and social development.
3. Track record of publication in internationally recognized, scholarly, peer-reviewed journals.
4. Experience working with multidisciplinary teams, including economists.
5. Ability to communicate policy implications of research to a broad audience, including willingness to advise governments

on related matters.

Interested candidates please contact urgently:

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## Calendar of Future Events

Note: For more details on the conferences organized by the Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups see ISA Home Page at <http://www.ucm.es/OTROS/isa>

**June 5-7, 1997**

### RC31 Sociology of Migration

Place: New School for Social Research, New York

Theme: Inclusion and Exclusion: International Migrants and Refugees in Europe and North America

Information: ISA-RC31 Conference, International Center for Migration, Ethnicity and Citizenship, New School for Social Research, 65 Fifth Ave, New York, NY 10003, USA, tel: 1-212-2295399, fax: 1-212-9890504

**June 11-14, 1997**

### RC43 Housing & the Built Environment

Place: Alexandria, Virginia, USA

Theme: Housing in the 21st Century: Looking Forward

Information: Edward Goetz, Univ Minnesota, Housing Program, 240 McNeal Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108, USA, Fax: 1-612-6242750, email: egoetz@che2.che.umn.edu

**June 12-14, 1997**

### RC38 Biography and Society

Place: Moscow, Russia

Theme: The Role of Interpretation in Biographical Research

Information: RC38 President, Kathy Davis, Fac Social Sciences, Univ Utrecht, POB 80140, 3508 TC Utrecht, The Netherlands, Fax: 31-30-2535551, email: k.davis@fsw.ruu.nl

**June 13-15, 1997**

### ISA Regional Conference: Nordic Europe

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark

Organizer: Margaret Bertilsson and Göran Therborn, Denmark

Information: M.L. Moran, Dept Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3524945, email: soso104@sis.ucm.es

**June 16-18, 1997**

### RC04 Sociology of Education

Place: Joensuu, Finland

Theme: Mid-term conference on Education, Knowledge and Culture

Information: Leena Koski, Dept Sociology, Univ Joensuu, POB 111, 80101 Joensuu, Finland, Fax: 358-13-2512714, email: leena.koski@joensuu.fi

**June 20-22, 1997**

### ISA Regional Conference: Mediterranean

Place: Istanbul, Turkey

Organizer: Caglar Keyder, Turkey

Information: M.L. Moran, Dept Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3524945, email: soso104@sis.ucm.es

**Junio 25-28, 1997**

### RC10 Subcomité Iberoamericano

Lugar: Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, España

Tema: X Seminario Internacional sobre Educación y Formación para la Participación en las organizaciones

Información: Angela García Cabrera, Depto Psicología y Sociología, Univ de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Sta. Juana de Arco 1, 35004 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, España, Fax: 34-28-452880, email: agarcia@agc1.ext.ulpgc.es

**June 28 - July 1, 1997**

### RC27 Sociology of Sport

Place: Oslo, Norway

Theme: Annual symposium of the International Sociology of Sport Association

Information: Mari Kristin Sisjord, Norwegian Univ Sport, Box 4014, Ullevaal Hageby, 0806 Oslo, Norway, fax: 47-22-185718, email: mariks@brage.idrettshs.no

**July 3-5, 1997**

### RC02 Economy and Society

Place: Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada

Theme: International Conference on Knowledge, Economy and

## Society

Information: Arnaud Sales, GRETSE, Univ Montréal, CP 6128, Succ A, Montréal, Qué H3C 3J7, Canada, Fax: 1-514-3435722, email: sales@ere.umontreal.ca

### July 4-7, 1997

#### International Association for Media and Communication Research

Place: Oaxaca, Mexico

Theme: New Information Technologies, Globalization and Multi Cultural Societies

Information: Manuel Pares I Maicas, Fac Ciencias Información, Univ Autonoma, 08193 Bellaterra, Barcelona, Spain, fax: 34-3-5812005

### July 6-11, 1997

#### World Federation of Mental Health World Congress

Place: Lahti, Finland

Information: Finnish Asso Mental Health, Lauttasaarenti 28-20, 00200 Helsinki, Finland, Fax: 358-9-6924065

### July 7-9, 1997

#### ISA Regional Conference: Latin America

Place: Colonia Tovar, Venezuela

Organizer: Roberto Briceño-Leon and Heinz Sonntag, Venezuela  
Information: M.L. Moran, Dept Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3524945, email: soso104@sis.ucm.es

### July 20-22, 1997

#### RC21 Sociology of Urban and Regional Development

Place: Berlin, Germany

Theme: Cities in Transition

Information: Hartmut Haeussermann, Sozialwissenschaften, Humboldt Univ, Unter den Linden 6, 10099 Berlin, Germany, Fax: 49-30-20934213, email: haeussermann@sowi.hu-berlin.de

### August 4-6, 1997

#### ISA Research Council Meeting

Place: Montreal, Canada

Organizer: Stella Quah, ISA Vice-President for Research  
Information: International Sociological Association, Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, tel: 34-1-3527650, fax: 34-1-3524945, email: isa@sis.ucm.es

### August 7-8, 1997

#### ISA Regional Conference: North America

Place: Toronto, Canada

Organizer: Janet Abu-Lughod

Information: M.L. Moran, Dept Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3524945, email: soso104@sis.ucm.es

### August 8-10, 1997

#### Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Meeting

Place: Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Theme: Modeling Diversity, Understanding Religious Ecologies

Information: Nancy L. Eiesland, Candler School of Theology, Emory Univ, Atlanta GA 30322, USA, Fax: 1-404-7272915, email: neiesla@empry.edu

### August 9-13, 1997

#### 92nd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological

## Association

Place: Toronto, Canada

Theme: Bridges for Sociology: International and Interdisciplinary  
Information: ASA, 1722 N Street NW, Washington, DC 20036-2981, USA, tel. 1-202-8333410, email: executive.office@asanet.org

### August 11, 1997

#### RC09 Social Practice and Social Transformation

Place: Toronto, Canada

Theme: RC09 Second Regional Conference on Social Change and Transformations: Restructuring of Locality and Global Forces  
Information: Mustafa Koc, Dept Sociology, Ryerson Univ, 350 Victoria St, Toronto, Ont M5B 2K3, Canada, Fax: 1-416-9795273, email: mkoc@acs.ryerson.ca

### August 14-15, 1997

#### RC28 Social Stratification

Place: Quebec City, Canada

Theme: Changing Stratification and Mobility: Historical Mobility, National Identity.

Information: Michel de Seve, Dept Sociologie, Univ Laval, Ste-Foy, Que G1K 7P4, Canada, fax: 1-418-6567390, email: michel.deseve@soc.ulaval.ca

### August 16-17, 1997

#### RC40 Sociology of Agriculture

Place: Toronto, Canada

Theme: Agricultural Commodity Systems: Examples from the Study of the Beef System. A mini-conference held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society.

Information: Raymond Jussaume, RC Secretary, Dept Rural Sociology, Washington State Univ, Wilson Hall, Pullman, WA 99164-4006, USA, tel: 1-509-3357626, fax: 1-509-3352125, email: rajussaume@wsu1.csc.wsu.edu

### August 17-21, 1997

#### RC18 Political Sociology panels at the XVII Congress of the International Political Science Association

Place: Seoul, Korea

Information: Lauri Karvonen, RC Secretary, Dept Comparative Politics, Univ Bergen, Christiesgt. 15, 5007 Bergen, Norway, Fax: 47-44-322844, email: lauri.karvonen@isp.uib.no

### August 17-21, 1997

#### World Congress on Violence and Human Coexistence

Place: Dublin, Ireland

Information: Jessica Bates, Univ College Dublin D4, Ireland, fax: 353-1-7061125, email: jess.bates@ucd.ie

### August 18-22, 1997

#### Global Conference on Environmental Education

Place: New Delhi, India

Information: Indian Environmental Society, U112 Vidhata House, Vikas Marg, Shakarpur, Delhi 110092, India, tel: 91-11-2223311, 2450749, fax: 91-1-3317301

### August 21-24, 1997

#### RC19 Poverty, Social Welfare and Social Policy

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark

Theme: Mid-term conference

Information: Karl Hinrichs, RC Secretary, Cntr Social Policy Research, Univ Bremen, Parkallee 39, 28209 Bremen, Germany, Fax: 49-421-2184052, email: hinrichs@zes.uni-bremen.de

### August 27-30, 1997

#### III Conference of the European Sociological Association

Place: University of Essex, Colchester (London), UK  
Theme: 20th Century Europe: Inclusions / Exclusions  
Thematic sessions: Revisiting Classical Theory; Globalization; Work, Welfare and Citizenship; European Process, Boundaries and Institutions; Inequalities Old and New; Cultures and identities.  
Information: ESA Conference, Dept Sociology, Univ Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex C04 3SQ, UK, Fax: 44-206-873410, email: esa97@essex.ac.uk

#### September 8-10, 1997

##### **RC48 Social Movements, Collective Action & Social Change**

Place: Tel-Aviv, Israel

Theme: First Regional Conference on Social Movements. Comparing Social Movements: Themes, Theoretical and Methodological Implications

Information: Tova BENSKEI, Dept Behavioral Sciences, 9 Shoshana Persitz St, Tel-Aviv, Israel 61480, email: rss0780@uvm.haifa.ac.il

#### September 16-19, 1997

##### **WG01 Sociocybernetics & Social System Theory**

Place: Madrid, Spain

Theme: Sustainable Development: Towards Measuring the performances of Integrated Socioeconomic and Environmental Systems. International conference jointly with World Association for Case Method Research.

Information: Francisco Parra-Luna, Dept Sociology I, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3942901, email: parralun@lix.intercom.es

#### September 18-20, 1997

##### **RC07 International Seminar**

Place: Kyoto, Japan

Theme: The Trends of Life in the 21st Century. The Future of Traditional Culture and Religion

Information: Reimon Bachika, Dept Sociology, Bukkyo Univ, 96 Murasakino, Kitanobo-cho, Kita-ku, Kyoto 603, Japan, fax: 81-78-2521337, tel: 81-78-2713276, email: bachika@bukkyo-u.ac.jp

#### September 22-26, 1997

##### **RC06 Family Research**

Place: Strobl/Wolfgangsee, Austria

Theme: XXXV CFR Seminar on Cultural Diversities in Family, Partnership and Generational Situations

Information: Rudolf Richter, Dept Sociology, Univ Vienna, Neutorgasse 12/9, 1013 Vienna, Austria, Fax: 43-1-5336592, email: rudolf.richter@univie.ac.at

#### October 1997

##### **ISA Regional Conference: Portuguese-speaking World**

Place: Azores, Portugal

Organizer: Ana Nunes de Almeida, Portugal

Information: M.L. Moran, Dept Sociology, Univ Complutense, 28223 Madrid, Spain, Fax: 34-1-3524945, email: soso104@sis.ucm.es

#### October 11, 1997

##### **RC41 Sociology of Population**

Place: Beijing, China

Theme: Workshop preceding IUSSP Population Conference

Information: Dudley Poston, RC Secretary, Dept Sociology, Texas A&M Univ, College Station, TX 77843, USA, Fax: 1-409-8624057, email: dudley@tamuv1.tamu.edu

#### October 11-15, 1997

##### **Ethical Codes in Medicine**

Place: Freiburg, Germany

Information: The Freiburg Project, Zentrum für Ethik und Recht in der Medizin, Universitätsklinikum, Albert-Ludwigs-Univ, Elsäßer Str 2, 79110 Freiburg, Germany, tel: 49-761-2707265, fax: 49-761-2707268, email: fproject@sun1.uni-freiburg.de

#### October 11-17, 1997

##### **XXIII General Population Conference**

Place: Beijing, China

Information: International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, 34 rue des Augustinas, 4000 Liège, Belgium, fax: 32-41-223847, email: fdevpop@vm.ulg.ac.be

#### October 23-25, 1997

##### **European Mediterranean Network for the Social Sciences**

Place: Malta

Theme: Stereotypes and Alterity: Perceptions of Otherness in the Mediterranean

Information: Anthony Spiteri, Foundation for International Studies, Univ Malta, St Paul Street, Valletta VLT07, Malta, tel: 356-234121, fax: 356-230551, email: spiteria@mail.link.net.mt

#### October 30 - November 2, 1997

##### **Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Sociology**

Place: Hyatt Regency, Oak Brook, Illinois, USA

Theme: Bursting the Boundaries: New Theories and Methods in Applied

Sociology

Information: Steve Steele, SAS, Anne Arundel Community College, Division Social Sciences, 101 College Parkway, Arnold, MD 21012, USA, tel: 1-410-541-2835, fax 1-410-541-2239, email: ssteele@clark.net

#### Noviembre 14-15, 1997

##### **Grupo de Investigación Sociología y Medioambiente, Federación Española de Sociología**

Lugar: Pamplona, España

Tema: Sociología y Medioambiente: Estado de la Cuestión

Información: Mercedes Pardo, Dept Sociología, Univ Publica de Navarra, Campus Arrosadía, 31006 Pamplona, España, tel: 34-8-168470, fax: 34-8-169169, email: mpardo@upna.es

#### November 20-22, 1997

##### **1st Annual Conference of the International Society for Quality of Life Studies**

Place: Charlotte, North Carolina, USA

Theme: Beth Saint, Office of the Dean, Belk College of Business Administration, Univ North Carolina, 9201 University City Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28223-001, USA, tel: 1-704-5106808, fax: 1-704-4014, email: absaint@infonccvm.uncc.edu

#### December 5-10, 1997

##### **XIII General Conference of the International Federation of Social Science Organizations**

Place: Naresaun Univ, Phitsanulok, Thailand

Theme: Social Integration of Regimes in Transition: A Comparative Perspective

Information: Enzo Bartocci, IFSSO, Via dei Laghi 14, 00198 Roma, Italy, tel/fax: 39-6-8848943

**December 18-20, 1997**

**Norbert Elias Centenary Conference**

Place: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Theme: organizational Violence: The Formation and Breakdown of Monopolies of Force Conditions and Consequences

Information: Judith van Rooyen, SISWO, Plantage Muidersgracht 4, 1018 TV Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Fax: 31-20-6229430, email: rooyen@siswo.uva.nl

**January 7-9, 1998**

**RC28 Social Stratification**

Place: Taipei, Taiwan

Theme: Social Stratification and Social Mobility: The New Industrializing Economies Compared

Information: Shu-Ling TSAI, Inst Sociology, Academia Sinica, Nankang, Taipei 11529, Taiwan, fax. 886-2-7854160, email: tasi@gate.sinica.edu.tw

**Janvier 26-29, 1998**

**Association Internationale de la Sécurité Sociale**

Venue: Jérusalem

Thème: Les mesures d'incitation et de sélectivité en sécurité sociale: quels impacts, quels enseignements, quels enjeux?

Information: AISS, Case postale 1, 1211 Genève 22, fax: 41-22-7998509, email: issa@ilo.org

**March 5-7, 1998**

**2nd European Social Science History Conference**

Place: Amsterdam

Information: ESSHC c/o IISH, Cruquiusweg 31, 1019 AT Amsterdam, The Netherlands, tel: 31-20-6685666, fax: 31-20-6654181, email: esshc@iisg.nl, http://www.iisg./ESSHC

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