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<http://www.europeansociology.org/jobs.html>

Call for Nominations

ESA, election of the President and Executive Board, August 2015

The Nominations Committee launches broad consultations with National Associations, Research Networks, individuals or groups of members to find candidates for the new Executive Committee and the ESA President. We are looking for a good coverage of the candidates by geographic region (East-North-South-West) and according to a gender balance. We also try to follow the representation of different fields of sociological knowledge.

We need between 24 and 28 candidatures to 14 places of the Executive Committee and between 2 and 4 candidatures for the Presidency of the ESA. Candidates for the Presidency should be nominated and seconded by members of the Executive Committee, and/or Co-ordinators of Research Networks and/or National Associations. Each candidature must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae (max 100 words) and a photograph.

Current ESA Executive Committee members that can be candidates for the 2nd round

1. Tiziana Nazio
2. Helena Serra
3. Krzysztof Konecki

Please send proposals by e-mail to:

Carmen Leccardi

President of the Nominations Committee

carmen.leccardi@unimib.it, cc to the ESA office: esa@europeansociology.org

The deadline has been extended to 30 April 2015

The Nominations Committee:

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Research Network 27 Southern European Societies

Call for papers

Migrations and Citizenship in Southern Europe

Aix-en-Provence, 21-22 may 2015

During its mid-term conference, ESA's RN27 on Southern European Societies proposes to explore the links between migrations and citizenship in Southern Europe.

International migration, defined as a voluntary or forced mobility of populations from a country to another (unlike internal migration), is not new in itself and does not date the twenty-first century. It is accompanied by an imaginary that continues throughout the centuries: between reception and rejection, the stranger continued to fascinate and inspire fear at the same time. Just like yesterday, nowadays the presence of strangers functions as a mirror which makes the definition of belonging to the Polis possible. Today's novelty lies in the nature of migration flows that changed both as to its scale and to the very diversity of migrants' categories. Trajectories, the patterns and effects of those migrations are complex and multifaceted: they are due to economic, political, educational, climate, family, ethnic, religious, personal reasons. These flows consist of men, women and children, who travel alone or accompanied, from all social classes and age from very many countries. They may be more or less long, permanent or transitory. Southern Europe has been a land of emigration for a long time, and now knows a reversal of certain migratory flows after becoming a receptor of immigration from different countries towards the end of the twentieth century. On another scale, the Mediterranean Sea, historically a space for circulation of men and goods, of practices and ideas, a place at once of encounters and tensions, is at the center of new migration issues.

Questioning the issue of citizenship from the perspective of migrations as proposed this CALL raises a number of questions.

Taking the sociological perspective beyond national space is useful to understand the links of belonging. Studying migrants' connections with their native societies, or some other countries and cities, helps to question the relationship of belonging and their spatial dimension: bi-national belongings "here and there", multiple belongings "here, there, there and elsewhere", or of no belonging "neither from here nor there". The generalization and democratization of transport and of the use of new information and communication technologies (ICT) that are at the origin of globalized social changes, also imply a significant transformation in the way people perceive their very position in the world. The impact upon the maintenance of relationships or upon civic engagement remotely via ICT is evident. Does – and by which mechanisms – the use of internet open up possible spaces of transnational participation and mobilization? Would that imply what some call cyberactivism? Also other social and solidarity movements are emerging. Civil society is becoming more and more organized in the use of national and worldwide social forums. Some associations have developed forms of citizen engagement both in the native and arrival countries, which try to articulate their transnational orientation with the need of integrating within the hosting society.

Questioning the issue of citizenship from the perspective of migrations also implies the possibility of considering the extent of States' actions beyond geographical borders, within a context where migration flows are considered a security challenge as well as a democratic and economical one, whereas the strategies for frontiers' control have profoundly changed after the end of the nineties. After the Schengen integration, Southern Europe countries have become one of Europe's frontiers. What is the place of those Southern European countries within such a regional and Euro-Mediterranean governance? Is it possible to speak of a Southern European specificity vis-à-vis migratory phenomena?

The crises of the welfare state and the effects of the 2008 financial and economic crises also open up to new trends. The moral and civic obligations of the diaspora people towards the new comers get weaker or disappear faced with the growing racism and xenophobia in hosting societies and cities.

Those crises, that are hitting heavily Southern European countries and cities evoke new horizons among youngsters that – left with no hope of social promotion in their native countries, or declassed or excluded – could nurture strong feelings of resentment towards their native national society.

The privileged analytic framework is the Southern European one with international comparisons that will be particularly welcome on the following topics:

Transnational approach to citizenship
Welfare state crisis, links of belonging and diaspora networks
Migrant (s) and associations
Immigrants, migrants and tourists in the city
Frontiers and control outsourcing
New conditions and forms of exile
ICT and distance citizen engagement
Civil society and migrants' rights

Abstracts, papers and language.

The organizers invite theoretical and empirical contributions on the topics listed above (or related). Particular attention will be given to empirically based communications, either comparative or country specific. Consistently with RN27 linguistic policy, contributions in different languages are welcome. During conference sessions, presenters will be asked to make the necessary efforts to ensure the efficient circulation of concepts and ideas.

Abstracts should be of about 500 words (either in French or English) and must be accompanied by the name (s) of the author (s), his / her / their affiliation (s) and email (s) .The presenters can participate as principal authors in more than one session.

Abstracts must be submitted [on line](#), before April 1st 2015. Upon receipt, abstracts will be sent to members of the scientific committee for their evaluation. Depending on the final structure of the conference and the content of the documents, the Scientific Committee will finally decide the possibility of affecting proposals for oral presentations or poster presentations. Participants will be informed about the acceptance of their contribution no later than April 15th 2015. For more informations see <https://sites.google.com/site/rn27esa/> or contact conf_esarn27@aps.pt or the phone (351) 217804738.

Registration fees:

Members of ESA, APS and LAMES: 60 Euros for non-students and 30 euros for students.

Non-members ESA, APS and LAMES: 80 Euros for non-students and 40 euros for students.

Registration fees will cover organization costs, conference materials for participants and coffee breaks.

Key dates:

April 1, 2015: Abstract proposals

April 15, 2015: Notification of acceptance

April 30, 2015: Registration

May 21 and 22: Conference

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Call for Applications

Euro-Arab Meeting for Young Researchers in Social Sciences

Manama, Bahrain October 19 – 25, 2015

The “Knowledge Transfer Project”, an initiative by the Bahrain Authority for Culture & Antiquities (BACA), is organizing the First Euro-Arab Meeting for Young Researchers in Social Sciences, in coordination with the International Sociological Association, European Sociological Association, and Arab Association of Sociology. The event will take place in Manama, Bahrain, from October 19 – 25, 2015.

The meeting can accommodate up to 20 young Arab and European researchers (and elsewhere, eventually) with ongoing higher education research projects (Ph.D. or Master’s) and want to have their research discussed in a public forum to further develop them. A number of reputed Arab and non-Arab researchers, experts in framing scientific research, will participate in the meeting.

Conditions & Procedures:

- Candidate age must not exceed 33 years.
- Candidate must submit the application **before May 30, 2015**. Application must include the title of the research, a brief research summary, as well as his/her CV with the level of education, name of the scientific institute, and the research supervisor. The application must also contain all contact details (postal address, email, phone, fax, etc.) to facilitate correspondence. A supporting letter may also be attached from the research supervisor.
- The “Knowledge Transfer Project” must receive a report about the research project (minimum of 15 printed pages) **before June 30, 2015**. The report must clearly detail the main elements of the research project: topic, plan, problem, approach used and the relevant conceptual device, etc.). The candidate may also choose to detail research challenges and include questions which he/she needs assistance in answering.
- Applications will be reviewed by a scientific committee, after which candidates will be notified whether or not their application was accepted, **before July 15, 2015**.

Note: The “Knowledge Transfer Project” will cover the costs of accommodation (full board, welcoming and transport in Bahrain) of the candidates selected to participate in the meeting. The participants will cover their travel costs.

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CONFERENCES/CALLS FOR PAPERS

International Conference

WHY STILL EDUCATION 2015

Sremski Karlovci, Serbia

2-4 July 2015

<http://wse.instifdt.bg.ac.rs/>

We do not have keynote speakers. Let the presentations speak for themselves.

Call for Applications

Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory organises the second international conference *Why still education?* The conference is conceived as an open scientific forum which seeks to contribute to reflection on and development of educational strategies, to provide a space for exchange of experience and knowledge, and to encourage fruitful challenges to the existing educational practices.

Conference topic:

ACTORS AND DISTRACTORS IN EDUCATION

This year we wish to thematize the role of the participants in the educational process. What actors are indispensable to the educational process, and who are the intruders? Who are the loyal actors and who are the distractors? What type of understanding of education do we have in mind when we make judgements about this? And is the conflict between those “factors” inevitable, or can they be possibly harmonized?

The hidden assumption behind these questions is that there is some kind of educational front which pits adversaries against each other, as friends and foes of education. But the discussion tends to become more complex if we take that actors may sometimes also be distractors, and vice versa. The position of a good or a bad component in the educational process is not warranted in advance. It is always established anew by the enacting (or the failure to enact) its role. But what role is a successful one? Who is the screenwriter, and who is the director in this educational drama?

The state, the society, the local community, and the school board, to begin with the most general factors, may certainly be seen as useful organisational pillars of educational activities. However, they can also act as obstacles to their enactment. Immediate ‘executors’ – teachers, professors, lecturers, animators, pupils and students – can contribute most directly to this or that desirable vision of education, but their contribution may also prove the most perilous. Finally, there are also other ‘institutions’ which, in less apparent and more roundabout way, have a profound influence on the character and the quality of education. Parents, school, media, technologies and the like, represent those particularly sensitive (distr-)actors.

We strongly believe that many other influential factors condition the existing models of education, or impact on how educational programmes are being articulated. Those span from more or less incontrollable underground currents, such as tradition and globalisation, to ideologies, new styles of life and labour market constellations. Problematizing of desirability of their influences and effects, as well as their interactions, is also most welcome.

Potential applicants include:

- Theorists of education in the fields of philosophy, sociology, pedagogy, andragogy, psychology, political theory, anthropology, history, as well as experts in education management;
- Practitioners – teachers, textbook writers, initiators of supplementary and extracurricular educational activities, representatives of the alternative educational programs, etc.

Application deadline: **April 20, 2015**

Please, find more details at the conference website: <http://wse.institfdt.bg.ac.rs/>

Call for Papers

Rethinking integration: New perspectives on adaptation and settlement in an era of superdiversity

Thursday 2nd July 2015 (09:00-18:30)

Institute for Research into Superdiversity, University of Birmingham, UK

IRiS and SAST Conference, Birmingham, UK, 2 July 2015

The Institute for Research into Superdiversity (IRiS) at the University of Birmingham, together with the project *Social Anchoring in Superdiverse Transnational Social Spaces (SAST)* is organising a one-day interdisciplinary conference which will focus upon theories on and research into adaptation and integration in an era of superdiversity. The conference will allow for the exchange of ideas and formulation of future research agendas to inform academics, practitioners and policy makers which can enable the facilitation of processes of adaptation and integration. The conference will feature invited plenaries and panels on topics related to the processes of adaptation and integration in emerging superdiverse societies.

Keynote Speakers include:

- Prof. Stevan Hobfoll, Rush University, US
- Dr Aleksandra Kazłowska, Institute for Research into Superdiversity, University of Birmingham, UK and Institute of Sociology/Centre for Migration Research, University of Warsaw, Poland
- Prof. Louise Ryan, Middlesex University London, UK
- Dr Alison Strang, Queen Margaret University, Scotland

CALL FOR PAPERS

- **Deadline: Tuesday 31 March 2015**

[Please complete the online submission form](#)

We invite academics from a broad range of disciplines, including sociology, psychology, anthropology, social policy, geography, language and cultural studies, the arts, demography, politics, economics, development studies, as well as policy makers and practitioners, to submit papers related to the main theme of the conference. Doctoral researchers are also welcome. The conference will be an

opportunity for them to meet fellow PhD students and senior academics working on adaptation and settlement.

[Read more in our 'Call for Papers: Rethinking integration - New perspectives on adaptation and settlement in an era of superdiversity' \[PDF\]](#)

Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts should be submitted electronically, using the [online submission link](#), by **Tuesday 31 March 2015**
- Submissions for presentations should include an abstract of a maximum of **250 words**
- Acceptance decisions will be communicated week beginning **20 April 2015**
- **Presentation format:** The selected papers will be grouped by themes. Each presentation will last 20 minutes and followed by 10 minutes discussion
- **Conference publications:** After the conference, delegates will be offered the opportunity to submit their papers for consideration to be included in an edited book/journal special edition/the IRiS Working Paper Series

Cost

Cost (for non-presenters): £50 full fee; £20 for students and NGOs

Travel

Travel and accommodation expenses should be covered by the participants.

More information

For further information about the Call for Papers or the Conference, please contact Ann Bolstridge, IRiS Manager, a.bolstridge@bham.ac.uk

Call for Papers

Power, Acceleration and Metrics in Academic Life

2nd – 4th December 2015, Prague, Czech Republic

There is little doubt that science and knowledge production are presently undergoing dramatic and multi-layered transformations accompanied by new imperatives reflecting broader socio-economic and technological developments. The unprecedented proliferation of audit cultures preoccupied with digitally mediated measurement and quantification of scholarship and the consolidation of business-driven managerialism and governance modes are commonplace in the contemporary academy. Concurrently, the ever-increasing rate of institutional change, (the need for) intensification of scientific and scholarly production/communication and diverse academic processes seem to characterize the overall acceleration of academic life (i.e., in many disciplines the new maxim 'patent and prosper' (Schachman) supplements the traditional 'publish or perish'). Quantification and metrics have emerged not only as navigating instruments paradoxically exacerbating the general dynamization of academic life but also as barely questioned proxies for scientific quality, career progression and job prospects, and as parameters redrawing what it means to be/work as a scholar nowadays (i.e., the shifting parameters and patterns of academic subjectivity). Metrification now seems to be an important interface between labour and surveillance within academic life, with manifold affective implications.

This conference will inquire into the techniques of auditing and their attendant practices and effects

and will also probe into scholars' complicity in reproduction of such practices. It will consider processes of social acceleration within the academy and their implications for the management of everyday activity by those working within it. This will include:

- empirical and theoretical engagements with the acceleration of higher education
- the origins of metrification of higher education
- metrification as a form of social control
- the challenges of self-management posed by metrification and/or acceleration
- common strategic responses to these challenges
- the relationship between metrification and acceleration
- how metrification and acceleration relate to a broader social crisis

Deadline for abstracts will be May 1st 2015. Please send 250 words and short biographical note to Mark Carrigan (mark@markcarrigan.net) and Filip Vostal (filip.vostal@gmail.com) by the deadline.

Keynote Speakers

Roger Burrows – Ancient Cultures of Conceit Reloaded

Philip Moriarty – The Perils, Pitfalls, and Power of Peer Review in Public

Susan Robertson – Vertigo: Time and Space in the Contemporary University

James Wilsdon – In numbers we trust? Reflections on the UK's independent review of the role of metrics in research assessment

Oili-Helena Ylijoki – 'Projectification' and conflicting time orders in academic knowledge production

Fee

50 Euros (standard) / 25 Euros (PhD/ECR)
Registration to open in summer 2015

Venue

Hosted by Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences the event will take place in Vila Lanna, V Sadech 1, 160 00, Prague 6, Czech Republic (<http://www.vila-lanna.cz/index.html>)

Travel

Air: From Vaclav Havel Airport Prague take the bus no 119 to Dejvicka (which is the terminal stop). Vila Lanna is 5-6min walk from there.

Train: From Main Railway Station (Praha hlavní nádraží, often abbreviated Praha hl. n.), take metro line C (red), change at Muzeum for line A (green) and get off at the terminal stop Dejvicka. Vila Lanna is 5-6min walk from there.

Call For Papers
'Global Interactions' Program
Mutual Images Conference on Fatherhood:
The Nurturing Father
25-26-27 June, Lyon (France)

Mutual Images is pleased to invite you to participate in a conference seeking to explore the images of the 'nurturing father'.

We welcome papers that consider social, mental and visual images of fathers and fatherhood across time and space. We especially encourage presentations that will adopt a cross-cultural perspective, focusing on how images are constructed in an international context.

The general intention of this conference is directed towards focusing on the so far neglected heterogeneous dimensions of fatherhood placing special importance on images of the nurturing father.

The following different strands will comprise the below mentioned topics of interest which may include but are not limited to:

- fatherhood: concept and symbol
- evolution and circulation of ideas on fatherhood
- cross-cultural images of fatherhood
- perception of foreign images of fatherhood
- representation of fatherhood/fathers in arts and media
- models of fatherhood
- roles of fathers
- relationships between fathers and other members of society
- consideration of fathers within the system of education and care

We encourage submissions with an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approach. This conference is open to both postgraduates and academics at any stage of their career.

In addition to individual submissions, we welcome the submission of pre-formed panel proposals.

DEADLINE: 300 word abstracts should be submitted by **15th of April 2015**. Please note that the presentations should be of around 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes of exchanges among the participants.

Abstracts should be submitted to the following address: mutualimages@gmail.com

This conference is part of the Mutual Images' 'Global Interactions' program. More information on www.mutualimages.org

WRITING RECOMMENDATIONS

Abstracts should be in Word format with the following information and in this order:

a) title of abstract, b) body of abstract, c) up to 10 key words, d) author(s), e) affiliation, f) email address.

Please use plain text (Garamond 11) and abstain from using footnotes and any special formatting, characters or emphasis (such as bold, italics or underline).

E-mails should be entitled: "MUTUAL IMAGES FATHERHOOD 2015".

All abstracts will be anonymously reviewed. Authors will be notified via email on the results of the review by 30th of April 2015.

We acknowledge receipt and answer to all paper proposals submitted. If you do not receive a reply from us in a week you should assume we did not receive your proposal. We suggest, then, to resend it.

Papers might be considered for inclusion in the peer-reviewed Journal Mutual Images.

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For further details of the conference, please visit: <http://mutualimages.org>

For any further information, you can contact us at: mutualimages@gmail.com

Please note that we are a not-for-profit association and we are not in a position to assist with conference travel or subsistence. Please contact your own university or corresponding research organizations for possible funding.

Call for Papers

WCSA – World Complexity Science Academy

VI CONFERENCE
16th-17th OCTOBER 2015
AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS
NH Amsterdam Centre, Stadhouderskade, 7, 1054ES

**SYSTEMIC ACTIONS IN COMPLEX SCENARIOS:
Converging interactions among public policies, business strategies and academic research**

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ALEXANDER RIEGLER, Free University of Brussels, Belgium

To be a conscientious agent in contemporary scenarios involves the awareness of the complex systemic context and the non-linear interactions in which our attempts to build a better world integrate. To be aware of this complexity should prevent the naivety of not considering risks and contingency and is a first step to the development of successful strategic actions.

This conference challenges worldwide scholars, professionals, policy makers and businessmen sharing a systemic vision to, directly or indirectly, answer this question:

How a systemic vision can be a strategic and applied resource to develop more and more powerful links among Government Policymaking, Academic Research and Investment /Business Strategies?

That is why the call is open to different kinds of systemic proposals:

- a) theoretical academic research papers
- b) applied academic research papers
- c) investment plans
- d) policy models
- e) consulting strategies
- f) business plans
- g) consulting work packages

The purpose of this conference is to reach a multitasking and multidimensional audience composed from academics, professionals, managers, entrepreneurs, investors to facilitate the match finding among strategic research, policy modelling institutional demand and investment/business ideas and plans.

Conference Proceedings

Abstract Submission

Individuals may submit abstract as the first author.

Abstracts must not exceed a maximum of 250 words.

Provide your full name, degree, institution, address, telephone number, and email address.

Deadline for abstract: April 30th

PANEL SESSION

It is possible to submit panel proposals: The Organizer submits the panel proposal, he/she enters all information about the panel including the abstract of the concept (minimum 400 words), the name of the panel chair and a possible listing of all panel participants.

Deadline for Panel Proposal: May 15th

Panel speakers are limited to 15/20 minutes for their presentations and 5 minutes for a roundtable debate of their presentations with the chairperson and the audience.

The official language of the conference is English.

Conference Registration Fees - in euro - for the speakers

WCSA Member Senior	LP 200 VP 100
WCSA Member Junior	LP 170 VP 80
Not WCSA Member	LP 500 VP 300

Not WCSA members belonging to Santa Fe Associates International LP 250 VP 150

In case of virtual presentation, beyond the abstract and/or full paper, presenters must submit a 10-minute audio/video speech by July 31, 2015.

Submitters and spectators must join WCSA before September 15, 2015 if they wish to pay the WCSA member conference fee.

For people who want to attend the conference in Amsterdam, as spectators the registration fees, in euros, are:

WCSA Member Senior 150
WCSA Member Junior 75
Not WCSA Member Senior 200
Not WCSA Member Junior 170

Abstract must be sent by email to wcsaconferences@gmail.com, and the subject of the email must be: WCSA 2015

CONTACT

- Email: wcsaconferences@gmail.com
- Website: www.wcsaglobal.org

Call for Papers

International symposium

Musimorphoses

11, 12, 13 november 2015, Paris

Call for proposals

On the future of music listening in the digital era

With the spread of digital technology, all cultural practice is subject to reconfiguration. On the one hand, audiences can access a significantly higher amount of goods. On the other, the cost-free model and piracy practices have altered people's willingness to pay. Likewise, the dematerialisation of contents tends to turn the data culture into a service culture. Finally, the abundant nature of repertoires provided to audiences triggered the need for new modes of recommendation mainly reflected by the growing significance of algorithms.

In the case of music, the transition from discomorphosis to digimorphosis seems to reconfigure, in a particularly salient way, the consumption practices and more generally the uses of music in everyday life. Do we collect and enjoy dematerialised works in the same way as we appreciate records? Is the issue of sound quality still relevant for users now in the habit of listening to music from compressed files? Does the fact that music is a payable good still have a meaning for new generations of listeners?

This symposium, being held as part of the ANR research project Musimorphoses, primarily aims to describe the various aspects of the uses of music in everyday life and to put forward prospective scenarios on the future of music listening. It does not focus on musicians' activities or the music industry but on matters found at the crossroads between music consumption and music experience.

Papers will have to come within the scope of one of the six main questions of the programme:

1) Ruptures and Continuities

Should the digital turn be considered as a rupture at least as equivalent, in terms of the upheavals provoked, to the transition of civilisation from orality to writing? From a socio-historical point of view, how can we describe this digital turn and what is it truly changing in the uses of music in everyday life?

2) Recommendation

In a world dominated by the abundance of available references and hyper-choice, algorithms are playing an increasingly significant role in mechanisms of recommendation. As they become more powerful, do these algorithms play a part in the broadening of the taste profile or do they act as devices for the formatting of preferences? how do they co-exist with other recommendation approaches?

3) The Price To Pay

With the expansion of piracy and the use of stream ripping, audiences tend to see music as a cost-free good or even as a common good. are we moving towards a free-for-all dominant model? In addition, the crisis of the music industry, the proliferation of illegal downloading and the instability of established business models have led some states to adopt various legislative responses. Is regulatory constraint of the music market the only solution?

4) Listening Technologies

With the development of the cloud, multi-room systems and mobile technologies, the listening field seems to have become hyper-mobile, hyper-connected and transformed with regard to the relation to archive and archiving. Does technological innovation lead to novel and sustainable listening experiences?

5) Local Listening, Global Listening

In a world where digital technology shortens “distances” and limits borders – despite the uneven ature of internet services across the globe – tastes and practices seem to become more homogenised. are we seeing a standardised and globalised model of music consumption imposing itself ? or is a new geography of listening habits and music taste being configured?

6) The Regularion of Music Consumption

The crisis of the music industry, the proliferation of illegal downloading and the instability of stablished business models have led some states to adopt various legislative responses. Is regulatory constraint of the music market the only solution?

Paper proposals should be sent to the following mail address by **30 April 2015** (at latest):
musimorphoses@gmail.com

Proposals should be no longer than one page, include a title and the author s biographical note (with an email address) and outline the following: (1) an original argument; (2) the conceptual and empirical (fieldwork) elements underlying the analysis.

Authors will be informed of the selection procedure results by 31 may 2015 at latest.

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Call for Papers

Measuring Ethnicity and Migration

Classification and Statistical Representation in Academic Research and Administration

Conference Meeting held by

Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities (KWI), Essen in cooperation with
German Sociological Association's section on Migration and Ethnic Minorities and
Institute of Sociology, University Duisburg-Essen

October 8-9, 2015 in Essen (KWI)

Organisation: Linda Supik (KWI Essen), Norbert Cyrus (DGS-Sektion MeM), Anja Weiß (Universität Duisburg-Essen)

Diversity that counts is increasing in complexity. Official statistical categories are developed dynamically to capture and appropriately represent ethnic, religious, and language diversity. Ten years ago, the concept 'persons with a migration background' was introduced to official statistics in Germany. School administration additionally operates with the concept of 'non-German language of origin' for some time now, and in 2011, a question on religious beliefs was included in the German census of population, especially with a view to counting German Muslims. Other countries like the US, the Netherlands, or the United Kingdom also see dynamic changes and proliferation of their statistical classifications capturing ethnic, religious, and language diversity. National statistical practices show a confusing diversity of ways to count that poses enormous methodical challenges to systematic comparisons and to the merging of national datasets on a European and international level. The question remains unsolved whether and how biographical patterns of transnational mobility can or should be registered officially.

At this meeting, we want to explore and discuss official and academic practices of statistical data collection and representations of migration and ethnicity. Official statistics offer an instructive description not only for administration and government, but also for producers of scientific knowledge who participate in the production and improvement of statistical representations or use them for their research. Since the 18th century, administrations of modern states produce statistics to capture different aspects of the social world, and the collection of population data is more than the neutral registration of purportedly objective facts. By implementing categorical orders and distinctions like nation, 'race', or ethnic group, statistics create objects and consistencies that did not exist before. Recent reforms of official statistical systems are examples of this "Politics of Large Numbers" (Alain Desrosières).

For the social and cultural sciences, the systematic reflection of practices of categorization, classification, measurement, and quantification stays a marginal issue, despite the significance of the

statistical representation of the social and its impact on politics and knowledge production. Recently, however, several initiatives for critical debate and contestation of routines can be observed: Governmentality studies investigate how administrations and official statistics form and govern populations. Post-migrant approaches claim that social, ethnic, language, and religious diversity defies its unambiguous allocation to existing official categories. Some argue that ambiguous and hybrid identities are not appropriately represented but rendered invisible. In debates on intersectionality, a post-categorical understanding is developed aiming to transcend the groupist interpretation of legal categories, which is deemed problematic for its determinant and exclusive effects on the understanding of membership and belonging. Not the abolishment of statistical representation is at stake here, but a reflection on its effects of use.

We invite the submission of papers on the following aspects of the measurement of ethnicity and migration:

- **CASE STUDIES:** Contributions in a historically or internationally comparative perspective, on the implementation of and methodological experiences with statistical or administrative concepts, e.g. “persons with a migration background”, “non-German language of origin”, “Muslims in Germany”, “visible minorities” (Canada), or “ethnic group”, e.g. “White” and/or “Asian”, or open questions and write-in answers, as well as multiple response options (USA).
- **SURVEYS:** Research and reports on academic use of large data sets like the socioeconomic panel (SOEP) or micro census in Germany or the Labour Force Surveys on an international scale. What possibilities and limitations of analysis and interpretation do existing data sets hold? Which developments to monitor hybrid and transnational aspects are desirable?
- **PERFORMATIVITY** of official statistical categories: Contributions from a discourse theoretical or a sociology of knowledge perspective. How do official categories affect visibility and agency of the categorized? Does (self-)ethnicization occur? How are existing hierarchies of in-and exclusion affected? Does change happen, and how?
- **COUNT ME OUT?!** Papers on the theory and practice of collective self-descriptions and third-party descriptions before and beyond statistical representation. How are names and collective nominations created, how do they change, how do they gain or lose salience? Where do processes of hybridization trouble statistical monitoring?
- **POLITICS OF CONSTRUCTING STATISTICAL REALITY:** How are new statistical categories or classifications established? Who are agents in processes of questioning outdated categories, of reconceptualization and decisions for reformation of official statistics?
- **GOVERNING BY NUMBERS:** Do official statistics have formative effects on political controversies and decisions? Are they used to strengthen or weaken political decisions and programs? When and why are statistical arguments stronger or weaker than other arguments?
- **THE DARK SIDE OF NUMBERS:** Questions of research ethics, data protection and data misuse. In a broader sense, political use of statistics or tendentious use of techniques (e.g. to back up racist opinions, conduct cross tabulations instead of multivariate analysis) can be seen as data misuse. We want to invite researchers from various disciplines in the social sciences and humanities to this meeting and inspire exchange and debate between methodologies (quantitative/qualitative). We invite colleagues who work with large data sets, as well as researchers who work on critique of methodology. We explicitly welcome social statisticians from public administration, as well as agents from NGOs and civil society who may want to comment on the available data on migration and ethnicity and its classifications from the perspective of data users.

Young researchers and PhD-students are encouraged to submit papers. Papers are welcome in German or English. Please submit abstracts of max. 300 words and a short biographical note by 30th of April 2015 to both linda.supik@kwi-nrw.de and ncyrus@unibremen.de.

Call for Submissions

“Embodying Transnationalism: Bodies in Transnational Settings”

Deadline for submission of proposals:

May 15, 2015

Guest editors Lisa Albrecht, Yvonne Niekrenz, and Matthias D. Witte invite you to submit proposal abstracts for the focus topic “Embodying Transnationalism: Bodies in Transnational Settings” of the *Transnational Social Review – A Social Work Journal* (TSR).

Research Interest

For a long time, corporeal presence has been taken for granted in social interactions. Our bodies are an assumed prerequisite for literally and figuratively grasping, touching, feeling, or perceiving one another. We are situated, placed, and located due to our corporeality, which gives us a specific position as well as a boundary in space and time. However, seeing our bodies just as material anchors in the world does not do justice to their social significance. Thinking in terms of corporeality, talking about bodies, perceiving bodies and living in our own bodies are all linked to knowledge, norms and, always, power. At the same time, from the actors' point of view, corporeality does not just mean a position in a social field or the embodiment of power or discourse. For the actors, their body is something they live through, and thus live with: it “presents” itself first-hand, as a direct phenomenon.

Transnationalism extends across different localities, not only reaching across national borders but, sometimes, also stretching the boundaries of the body and its direct presence in place. In transnational social spaces and lifeworlds, “long-established certainties” are challenged as actors no longer encounter one another in the same place, perhaps not even in the same time, but in different local lifeworlds. From a theoretical perspective, the simultaneous and pluri-local nature of transnationalism clashes with the space-time boundary of the body. How can this conceptual problem be solved? By talking about “embodying transnationalism,” we emphasize that a focus is needed on the embodiment of transnational settings. In their social meaning, time and space always represent the boundaries of achievability, immediacy, access, and co-presence. These boundaries can be mediated through new information technology. How can the transnational interactions that occur here be described? Transnationalism involves an increasing mobility and physical movement of bodies across national borders. Because bodies are perceived as gendered, raced, classed, abled, and “othered,” it is easier for some bodies to negotiate those frontiers than it is for others. What inequalities related to our bodies reveal themselves in this context?

Transnationalism may involve a structural transformation of the nexus of space, time, bodies, and sociality. We need new strategies, resources, practices and concepts to deal with this transformation of what we take for granted.

Against this broad background, we invite proposals for articles that discuss “embodiment and transnationalism” theoretically and/or empirically, as well as the significance of bodies and embodiments for transnational social support processes.

Requirements for Submissions

Each proposal abstract should contain no more than 500 words and should address the following: background of the proposed article; content outline; and main discussion points.

For those proposals that are accepted, the deadline for submission of full articles is September 30, 2015. The deadlines for the TSR issue focused on “**Embodying Transnationalism: Bodies in Transnational Settings**” are:

May 15, 2015 Submission of proposal abstracts
September 30, 2015 Submission of full articles
October – December 2015 Peer review

January – March 2016 Revision of articles, if necessary
March 31, 2016 Final submission of publishable articles
June 2016 Publication

Articles are to be up to 8,000 words in length. The authors are responsible for submitting proofread and anonymized manuscripts. The instructions for authors are available at:
<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?journalCode=rtsr20&page=instructions#.U6glxIRhCCg>

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Call for Submissions

Special volume of Polish journal - Miscellanea Anthropologica et Sociologica.

The Social Phenomenon of Football

Football is a global phenomenon, highlighting the most important aspects of social life. It is not just a physical competition, but a space to express of social values, media influences, economic interests, political aspirations and national identities. Despite increasing commercialization, football is – for millions of people – the foundation for the creation of local communities and global aspirations. The aim of the thematic issue of the journal "Miscellanea Anthropologica et Sociologica" entitled „Social phenomenon of football” is a multi-threaded and interdisciplinary reflection on the phenomenon of this „beautiful game”. We invite authors interested in the following topics: politics of modern football, football and social identity, football as a space for inclusivity and exclusivity, issues of ethnicity and nationalism in football, gender dimensions of football, football fandom, governance and organizational aspects of the modern game, commercialization and mediatization of the game. Deadline for submission: **April 30th, 2015**

Details to submission process are available on journal's website (Manuscript submission):
http://maes-online.com/newsy.php?id_news=194&idc=176

Call for Submissions

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Special issue of Social Inclusion

Abstracts: May 31, 2015

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Title: Religious Diversity and Social Inclusion

Call for Papers

(<http://www.cogitatiopress.com/ojs/index.php/socialinclusion/pages/view/specialissues#religiousdiversity>)

Special issue of Social Inclusion

Abstracts: June 30, 2015

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Title: Religious Transport Policy and Social Inclusion

Call for Papers

Call for Submissions

AG About Gender – International Journal of Gender Studies

New capabilities or old, masked prejudices?

Edited by: Rita Bencivenga (LEGS-Laboratoire d'études de genre et de sexualité CNRS/Université Paris 8 Vincennes Saint-Denis et Université Paris Ouest), Francesca Bosco (United Nation Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute), Susanna Pozzolo (Università degli Studi di Brescia).

Gender is pervasive in our societies, and, therefore, it also influences technology. The relationship between gender and technology has been a specific area of study since the 1980s.

Initially, attention was focused on trying to understand how some stereotypes had developed: for example, that men differ from women due to their alleged technological and manual superiority (if not exclusivity). Within the framework of this stereotype, men would have a natural and exclusive aptitude to understand the functioning of an electrical system or the engine of a car. This aptitude, absent in women, would be "compensated" by the latter's natural and exclusive ability to manage technology in other areas, such as the domestic environment (Cockburn and Omrod, 1993).

From this perspective, women and men could be distinguished according to their natural or acquired ability to use technology. The male monopoly over technology and the technological incompetence of women were initially seen as important factors for maintaining inequalities and creating new imbalances between the two genders.

It has been questioned whether or not women were deliberately excluded from the official history of technological development, to which they had indeed contributed (Stanley, 1995). In pursuit of this question, the consequences brought about by the diffusion of new technologies in most female work sectors (Hartman et al., 1984) and in domestic life (Cowan, 1983) were studied.

However, by the end of the 1980s, the focus shifted to the analysis of how technology is developed and used and how this development is connected to the mechanisms creating gender perceptions. According to radical feminism, for example, in the Western world technology has been embodying patriarchal values, and a keen interest in new reproductive technologies has developed from this perspective (Denny, 1994; Mandell, 1995).

More recently, after attracting the attention of fields such as anthropology, cultural anthropology, philosophy or law, technology has further been redesigned as a means of communication, object of consumption, text (Haraway, 1997). In addition, the relationship between gender and technology has been yet re-analyzed, this time starting from the hypothesis of a reciprocal co-construction (Wajcman, 1991).

It is evident that even the contents spread by means of information technologies are powerful intensifiers of gender divisions. This can be seen in the gender differences present in video games: predominantly populated by male characters, with female characters being highly sexualized (Ivory, 2006; Jaggi, 2014).

The arrival of the Internet, social media, and pervasive computing has created new incentives for studying IT tools. Within society 2.0, constantly progressing towards the massive use of big data, one of the topics that are attracting the interest of gender studies experts is the control of citizens through databases; in particular, the use of data, and the traces of information that individuals leave - consciously or not - in cyberspace (Mantelero and Vaciago, 2013; Baarber and Pasley, 2005).

Additionally, Horizon 2020, the research and development programme of the European Union, has included gender as a cross-cutting priority to be considered in each European project (Schiebinger, 2013). This choice has significant potential for the diffusion of the concept of gender in all stages of technological research. However, the analysis of EU documents shows both clear and unclear issues regards this topic. It is therefore appropriate to initiate critical analysis in this area, not least to help those who do research and have no expertise in gender studies to orient themselves and understand what meanings can be given to the issue of gender and technology, both today and in the near future.

Technologies emerge from society; this implies that they incorporate functions that are suited to the world in which they operate, conveying values related to that world, independently of the level of awareness of their inventors. The powerful pervasiveness of new technologies, such as information and communication or biological innovation, requires an urgent and continual assessment of their development. Achieving these objectives is also conditional to the ability to understand the social and ethical implications of the choices made when developing these technologies (Johnson, 1985).

The goal of the editors of the volume is to collect contributions that allow for investigation and call for reflections and discussion of the relationship between technology and gender. Particular attention is devoted to new technologies and their ability to shape the world, exploring the various implications of different approaches: philosophical, sociological, bioethical, political, and legal, just to name a few.

Among the possible macro issues, we mention gender in conjunction with computer technologies, technologies for the monitoring of space and / or people, communication technologies, reproductive technologies and technologies developed for treatment and care (e.g. for the disabled or the elderly).

By way of example, we mention some more specific issues:

- Gender and technological design
- Female metaphors and technology
- Female figures and video games
- Female figures of techno science
- Gender and computers
- Cyborgs and women's subjectivity
- Gender and the digital divide
- LGBTQ and technology
- Symbolic dimension of ICT and gender
- Women, disability and technology
- Information society and gender
- Gender and the Internet
- Labour, technology and gender
- Feminism online
- Hackers and social community
- Digital creations against violence towards women

However, all articles that analyse gender in relation to technology will be taken into account.

Papers should be between 4000 and 6000 words (excluding bibliography). Please follow the instructions gathered in the Author guidelines. Contributions should be accompanied by: a brief abstract (maximum length: 150 words); some keywords (from a minimum of 3 to a maximum of 5). Abstract and keywords should be both in English. All texts will be transmitted in a format compatible with Windows (.doc or .rtf), following the instructions provided by the Peer Review Process. Please see the review's Authors guidelines.

Contributions must be sent by **30th September 2015**.

<http://www.aboutgender.unige.it/ojs>

Call for Submissions

Norbert Elias and Violence

Edited by: Tatiana S. Landini (Universidade Federal de Sao Paulo, Brazil) and Francois Dépelteau (Laurentian University, Canada)

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In 2013 and 2014, we launched the books *Norbert Elias and Social Theory* and *Norbert Elias and Empirical Research*. On the first one, we published texts comparing Norbert Elias to many important authors (Epicurus, Freud, Marx, Weber, Durkheim, Simmel, Mannheim, From, Arendt, Bauman and Bourdieu) and, on the second one, many important topics were analyzed by using Elias's framework (such as literature, capital punishment, prisons, sexual violence, life and death, court, State Formation, relations between the sexes and sports).

In this new book we aim to focus on an important issue on Elias's oeuvre: violence. The topic of violence permeates most of his books, with more or less emphases. Nevertheless, this topic is also very controversial in his writings. For his critics, Elias didn't give enough attention to an issue that plays such an important role on modern societies and its formation. By focusing on pacification as an important direction of the civilizing process, Elias would have missed key aspects of this same civilizing process, such as violent processes of colonization, development of mass murder weapons to be used in wars between and intra- States, and so on. Readers sympathetic to his work, on the other hand, reinforce the key role played by violence during State formation processes, the possibility of decivilizing processes or spurts, change in the balance between external constrain towards self-constrain, etc.

Violence is not presented in any definitive way in Elias's books, thus opening the door to many interpretations and debates. State Formation, directions of the civilizing processes, decivilizing processes, pacification, spurts of violence, war and aggression as a human condition, etc., are all topics related to violence that Elias discusses in his many books and that still need to be more debated and clarified.

We welcome texts that analyze any of the above topics, or others related to violence on Elias's oeuvre. We also welcome texts that used Elias's framework to discuss any kind of violence or national situation in our contemporary world. As Elias used to state, theory and empirical research cannot be separated. Our final goal is to present texts that bring interesting light on the topic of violence through Elias's eyes.

We welcome contributions from all the disciplines. Texts should be written in English and be limited to 20 pages (Times New Roman 12, double space), including bibliography.

Deadline for receiving the texts: **August 1st, 2015**

Please submit your text by email (on Word) to: Tatiana S. Landini (tatalan@uol.com.br)
Francois Depelteau (fdepelteau@laurentian.ca)

OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Applications

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University of Aberdeen

Deadline: 13 April 2015

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Note that applicants must hold or be close to completing a postgraduate Masters degree in a relevant field. The holders will reside in Aberdeen during the studentship period, except for periods of research and conference travel.

The deadline for full consideration of applications is **13 April 2015** (although we may consider late applications).

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