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ESA NEWS





Call for Papers

ESA RN16 Mid-Term Conference May, 19-21, 2016

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, New University of Lisbon, Portugal Local Organisers: Helena Serra and Tiago Correia

New directions in health care work and organisations

In contemporary societies, the social organisation of healthcare is facing many challenges that may lead to fundamental transformations. Major challenges emerge from global economic trends towards marketization and the ways most States are restructuring the public sector. Side effects are already taking place, in particular how work is structured and organizations compete in the context of limited recourses. Consequences are set also on the side of users.

However, it must not undermined that some fields in healthcare and players may face expansion and new opportunities in this context, namely those linked to technologies and management. In sum, changing policies and governance result in comprehensive challenges to the social organisation of healthcare that warrant further attention, including different models of governance; greater involvement of technologies; the emergency of new health professions and competition for professional jurisdictions; the incentive of private healthcare systems; possible implications for users in the access to and consumption of healthcare. This new directions may vary within and among countries and globally.

We invite papers that explore these developments in comparative perspective or in a single country or professional group. Next to an open Call for Papers, a number of thematic sessions are also proposed; please clearly indicate your session preference and choose either the open call session(s) or one of the thematic sessions (see in the full announcement).

Please submit your abstract by email to: abstracts-midlisbon@fcsh.unl.pt with a copy to helena.serra@fcsh.unl.pt; Tiago.Correia@iscte.pt; deadline is 30 November 2015. Abstracts must be submitted as an email attachment in the format of a word file and must be prepared in the following style: preferred session; title of the paper; name of author(s), institutional affiliation and email address; followed by an abstract of no more than 200 words. Please note: abstracts that do not follow these guidelines cannot be considered.

A decision on acceptance (or otherwise) will be made in close consultation with the session organisers; authors will be informed on the status of their abstract no later than 30 December 2015.





Call for Papers

PhD and Early Scholars Workshop 'Quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods research: New insights for the study of health and illness'

To be held on the 18th of May 2016, prior to the mid-term conference of the ESA Research Network 'Sociology of Health and Illness', Lisbon, Portugal

Coordination: Ana Patrícia Hilário & Martina Štípková in collaboration with Helena Serra and Tiago Correia

When studying health and illness social scientists use a number of methodologies, either qualitative, quantitative or both. With the specific aim of helping PhD students and early scholars in the field of health and illness, this workshop will offer insights into how to overcome the methodological and ethical challenges that researchers have to deal with when employing quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods. Here, PhD students and early scholars will have the opportunity to learn about how to publish their work in peer reviewed journals. The keynote speakers will offer their own distinguished reflections on these matters.

The workshop will provide networking opportunities with fellow students and researchers from several European countries and with members of the ESA Research Network 16 'Sociology of Health and Illness'. Researchers who will act as discussants will be: Jonathan Gabe (Royal-Holloway, University of London, United Kingdom), Ellen Annandale (University of York, United Kingdom), Ema Hresanova (University of West Bohemia, Czech Republic), Alexandra Lopes (Porto University, Portugal) and Fátima Alves (Universidade Aberta, Portugal).

We invite PhD students and young scholars to **submit abstracts** of a maximum of 250 words related to the workshop topic 'Quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods research: New insights for the study of health and illness' along with a brief biography, including the applicant's institutional affiliation, by the **15th October 2015**. The contributions should focus on ethical and methodological dilemmas encountered in employing such methodologies when conducting research in the field of health and illness.

The list of participants will be announced by the 15th of November 2015. Following acceptance PhD students and young scholars will need to submit a **complete version of their papers** (between 10 and 15 pages) by the **15th March 2016**. Feedback will be given by mentors and participants following presentation of papers in the workshop.

The event is being organised by the ESA Research Network 'Sociology of Health and Illness' and the Universidade Nova de Lisboa and will be held in the **18th of May 2016** in facilities provided by Universidade Nova de Lisboa, near Avenidas Novas, in Lisbon city centre, Portugal. The **participation fee** for the Workshop is **40 Euros to ESA members** and **45 Euros to Non-ESA members** and places are limited to 15 participants.

The ESA RN16 will be able to provide **2-3 bursaries** of 150 Euros to **PhD students from economically disadvantage regions in Europe** to cover their accommodations and travel expenses. The bursary will be given after attendance of the conference and does not substitute the payment of workshop fee. For <u>bursary application students do not need to be ESA members</u>. Please consult the list of countries on the following link and indicate your interest in this in the application.

http://www.europeansociology.org/docs/List of European Countries with per capita GDP less than 20000 USD.pdf

To apply for the workshop please submit an abstract of your proposed article, with a short biography and your institutional affiliation to patriciahilario@gmail.com and marsti@kss.zcu.cz.

CONFERENCES/CALLS FOR PAPERS



Call for Papers

International Conference "How the International Migration is Shaping the Contemporary Society?"

Organizers:

Albanian Sociological Association (ALBSA), Albanian Institute of Sociology (AIS 10th Annual International Conference) & AAB University, Pristine-Kosovo (Based on the Agreement of 21st November 2014)

In cooperation with:

The Balkan Sociological Forum (BSF) Sociological Association of Kosovo (SAK)

How the international migration is shaping our societies and defining our future? What's its impact on the contemporary society, on the social institutions especially of the originated countries: Culture, Politics, Economy, Family, Education, Religions, and so on? These hypothetical questions are the Central Theme of the conference, trying to give en answer based on the uniqueness experience of Balkan Countries, especially Albania and Kosovo in European and global context.

Since a year ago, we invited scholars from all over the world (sociologists and not) to discuss together in an international conference, in Pristine-Kosovo this November (http://www.isa-sociology.org/conferences.php).

View here the full Call for Papers

New deadline for abstracts submission is 30 September 2015

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International Council on Shared Parenting (ICSP)

Lutheran University of Applied Sciences Nuremberg



International Conference on Shared Parenting 2015 Best Practices for Legislative and Psycho-Social Implementation Supported by: Bonn, Germany, 9-11 December 2015

DFG Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft

Following the first international conference in July 2014, experts from science, family professions and civil society will gather from across the world at the "Gustav-Stresemann-Institut (GSI)" in Bonn to present their research and discuss best practices for legislative and psycho-social implementation of shared parenting as a viable and beneficial solution for children whose parents are living apart.

The **conference language** is English, simultaneous translation will be provided in English, French and German for all Plenary Sessions and part of Workshop presentations.

The event will be jointly chaired by the President of the International Council on Shared Parenting (ICSP), **Prof. Edward Kruk, MSW, PhD**, University of British Columbia, Canada, and the Chair of the ICSP Scientific Committee, **Prof. Dr. Hildegund Sünderhauf**, Lutheran University Nuremberg, Germany.

The International Council on Shared Parenting (ICSP) is an international association with individual members from the sectors science, family professions and civil society. The purpose of the association is first, the dissemination and advancement of scientific knowledge on the needs and rights ("best interests") of children whose parents are living apart, and second, to formulate evidence-based recommendations about the legal, judicial and practical implementation of shared parenting.

The **preliminary conference program** is available on the conference website: twohomes.org/conference

Register now for the International Conference on Shared Parenting 2015 to obtain the early-bird rate of €290 (instead of the standard rate of €320)!

The deadline for the early-bird rate is **2 November 2015** (places are limited). Please also note that delegates booking at least two overnight stays at the conference venue by 22 September 2015 will benefit from an additional discount of up to €20.







Joint Conference of Humbolt University of Berlin and National University of Singapore

Diversity Encounters: Intersectional and Postcolonial Perspectives

23-26 May 2016, Berlin, Germany

Call for Papers

Humboldt University of Berlin (ERC Project TRANSFORmIG and Berlin Institute for Integration and Migration Research BIM) and the National University of Singapore (Asia Research Institute ARI and Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences FASS) invite abstract submissions in keeping with the following conference themes:

- Urban encounters and local politics
- Diversity encounters and racism
- Diversity and social inequalities
- Diversity encounters beyond ethnic lens
- Diversity in organisations
- Diversities in a comparative perspective

We welcome papers from a variety of critical perspectives. We are particularly eager to encourage papers that are theoretically informed, future oriented and empirically grounded as well as those which use a post- colonial, intersectional and/or comparative lens.

Conference theme

In recent years the impact (new) migrants make on the multicultural and multiracial dimensions of cities in Europe and Asia has featured prominently on the research agenda. While this has led to an efflorescence of highly insightful publications little effort has been made to develop a collaborative perspective. The East-West divide, in that sense, sees itself replicated in research agendas which all too easily agree on 'difference' and 'otherness'. With this joint conference we wish to argue differently. Bringing together researchers from different world regions, will allow for refection and dialogue where it concerns each other's' research findings.

Information for abstract submissions

- Abstract must not be more than 300 words in length;
- Please provide us with a short bio and your institutional contact details;
- The closing date for submission of abstracts is October 15th, 2015;
- Please submit your abstract to transformig@sowi.hu-berlin.de;
- Abstracts will be evaluated jointly by the organizing team from the HU and the NUS;
- Notification of acceptance will be sent to authors in December 2015.

Further information can be found at www.transformig.hu-berlin.de/diversity-conference2016



Call for Abstracts

9th Biennial International Interdisciplinary Conference 29 June-1 July 2016, Keele University, UK

Scientific Excellence and Gender Change: Managerialism and Newly Emerging Science Policy

Stream convenors:

Johanna Hofbauer, Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU), AUSTRIA Heike Kahlert, Ruhr-Universitaet Bochum (RUB), GERMANY Julia Nentwich, University of St. Gallen, SWITZERLAND

The purpose of the stream is to help advance our understanding of how the current changes in the development of scientific excellence, gender equality and the significant changes in academic governance mutually shape and produce new ways of working, knowing and living in academia. We invite submissions from the international research community that can help create theoretically informed, multidisciplinary understandings of the issues affecting the structural and cultural meanings of academic governance with respect to science policies, scientific work and careers, knowledge production and organizational practices. Contributions are welcome in any of the following or related themes:

- Science policies research that investigates gender equality and/or excellence in policy making on national and international levels and the translation of the policy measures to universities and other scientific organizations.
- Science organizations and organizing science research that investigates organizational practices of performing or resisting the major developments towards competition, managerialism, enhancing scientific excellence and fostering gender equality.
- Scientific work and careers research that investigates the structuring, meaning and changing
 of academic labour on all career levels within scientific organizations.
- Scientific knowledge production research that investigates the meaning of gender, also in combination with other inequalities, in the knowledge production and delivering process.

Abstracts of approximately 500 words (ONE page, Word document NOT PDF, single spaced, excluding references, no header, footers or track changes) are invited by **1st November 2015** with decisions on acceptance to be made by stream leaders within one month. All abstracts will be peer reviewed. New and young scholars with 'work in progress' papers are welcomed. In the case of coauthored papers, ONE person should be identified as the corresponding author. Note that due to restrictions of space, multiple submissions by the same author will not be timetabled. Abstracts should be emailed in the first instance to contact point Heike Kahlert (heike.kahlert@rub.de). Abstracts should include FULL contact details, including your name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, and e-mail address. State the title of the stream to which you are submitting your abstract.

Note that no funding, fee waiver, travel or other bursaries are offered for attendance at GWO2016

Call for Submissions



Special Issue on Work-life balance/imbalance: Individual, organizational and social experiences

Deadline: October 30th, 2015

Maintaining a proper balance between work and family life is not only an important factor as far as individuals' subjective well-being is concerned, but it is also an issue deeply related to decisions on child-bearing and to the quality of time one spends with loved ones. Work-life balance also has great influence on demography (low fertility), economy (efficiency of the labour force) and Research & Development (shortage of – mostly female – researchers in certain fields). Despite the continuous complaints of working parents and seemingly generous policy initiatives, the most acute dilemmas have not decreased in the last few decades. A significant portion of society still feels that finding and maintaining this balance is a highly complicated challenge of everyday life. Moreover, individuals are deeply affected by structural insecurity due to the latest economic recession, too, which brings into focus again that research on work-life balance is both timely and relevant at academic and policy levels.

Though different investigations show that juggling multiple responsibilities and roles can cause serious tensions in individuals' work and private life everywhere (Hochschild, 2001; Hobson et al., 2014), we have limited information about how people in East European countries perceive their situation, what can alleviate these tensions and what are the constraining factors in doing so (Clark, 2000). Research approaches towards work-life balance, or as it is often called in the literature 'balanced life', are dominated by Western theories, and mostly neglect Central and Eastern Europe. Thus, there is a strong need to incorporate the scientific knowledge deriving from the region which this issue of Intersections EEJSP aims to accomplish.

Demographic effects of work-life balance/imbalance are more extensively covered by previous publications in the field. In order to recover the existing gaps in the literature papers applying individual, organizational and family centred approaches (e.g. discussing gendered experiences of im/balance, as well as strategies of accomplishing what is considered a balanced relationship between work and family life) are considered highly relevant for this issue.

To conclude, we invite papers that touch upon the work-life balance dilemmas from a Central Eastern European perspective. Both theoretical and empirical papers are welcome. We encourage scholars to submit an abstract of 600-800 words including a short bio and the description of the main question(s) and finding(s) of the paper together with the methodology applied, by October 30th, 2015 through our online submission system. Authors will receive feedback from the editorial team by November 15, 2015.

OPPORTUNITIES





Call for Applications



Jointly Conference: 14th ISA International Laboratory for PhD Students in Sociology and British Sociological Association Annual Conference

Aston University, 01-08 April 2016, Birmingham, UK

The International Sociological Association (ISA) invites applications from PhD students in sociology or interdisciplinary programs (with a strong sociology component) to attend the Fourteenth ISA International Laboratory for PhD Students in Sociology to be organised jointly by the ISA and the British Sociological Association, 1-8 April 2016. It will be coordinated by Professor John Holmwood, Member of the ISA Executive Committee.

The theme of this year's ISA Laboratory is *Power, Violence and Justice* and it looks forward to the XIX ISA World Congress in 2018 to be held in Toronto, Canada, on this theme. The PhD Laboratory will help participants plan for this Congress (and other conferences) and develop their research skills to include the dissemination and presentation of their research. To this end, the Laboratory will coincide with the British Sociological Association Annual Conference that will take place at Aston University, Birmingham, from 6-8th April, 2016 on the theme of *Global Societies: Fragmenting and Connecting*. ISA Laboratory members will participate in the BSA conference as well as have common sessions with UK-based PhD students at their pre-conference meeting on 5th April.

Each interested candidate is requested to submit the following **documentation** in a pdf format:

- 1. An application letter (in English) specifying the topic of her/his research and the expected date of degree completion, and the application form.
- 2. A two-page curriculum vitae (in English).
- 3. A two-page abstract (maximum 1,000 words) of the applicant's research project (in English), including information about the main theoretical approach(es) and the main methodological approach(es) that are used in the research.
- 4. Two letters of recommendation (in English, French or Spanish):
 - (a) one from the student's dissertation adviser or a dissertation committee member that comments on the research project (including the stage of the research), theoretical and methodological approach(es) as well as the anticipated date of completion, and
 - (b) the other from the Department Chair or another professor that can comment about the applicant's academic merits (in comparison with other students in the same programme) and about the candidate's potential leadership in the social sciences.

The email addresses of both referees should be included in the student's letter of application.

Applications and supporting documentation must be sent in a pdf format file by e-mail to International Sociological Association at isa@isa-sociology.org not later than **December 10**, **2015**.

Late applications will only be considered if places remain available.

Selection criteria include: excellence of research, diversity of theoretical approaches, gender and geographic diversity of the candidates. Selection results will be announced by **end January 2016**.

Travel and lodging expenses (including meals at the Laboratory) of the participants will be covered by the British Sociological Association, and the International Sociological Association.

Please distribute among your student members.

This announcement is also available on http://www.isa-sociology.org/isa lab.htm