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European
Sociological
Association

Call for Papers

12th ISORECEA conference & ESA RN34 mid-term conference

**RELIGION AND NON-RELIGION IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETIES
Theoretical, Empirical and Methodological Challenges for Research
in Central and Eastern Europe and Beyond
Zadar, Croatia, April 21-24, 2016**

This international conference would like to encourage scholars from various parts of the world to share their theoretical, empirical and methodological considerations on religion and non-religion and take part in discussion on different related topics, like:

- Social theory of religion and non-religion
- Comparative empirical data on religion and non-religion
- Methodological challenges of research on religion and non-religion
- Historical development of religion and non-religion
- Non/religious minority and majority
- Human rights, religion and non-religion
- Religion, non-religion and State
- Religion, non-religion and social inclusion/exclusion
- Religion and non-religion in the intersectional perspective (involving gender, age, socio-economic aspects, etc.)
- Religion and non-religion in everyday life
- Religious and non-religious activism

Please submit a 200-300 words abstract of your presentation by e-mail to: isorecea2016@idi.hr by **November 15, 2015**.

If you are interested in a specific topic related to the study of religion and/or non-religion, we encourage you to organize a session/panel. In this case, please submit a 300-400 words proposal with full session details (names and affiliation of contributors, titles of their presentations) by **November 15, 2015** to the same email address.

We look forward to welcoming you to Leipzig!

Read the full conference description here:

<http://www.europeansociology.org/research-networks/rn34-sociology-of-religion/199-rn34-midterm-conference.html>



Call for Papers

3rd Energy & Society Conference Midterm conference of ESA RN 12 “Transforming Energy for Society”

Leipzig, Germany, September, 12-14, 2016

About the 2016-conference theme

While global oil and gas supplies are subject to geopolitics, the concrete form of a particular energy regime is often an issue of national politics. Energy policies are foremost legitimised in a national context, but they also relate to the international discourse on climate change mitigation as well as practices on the local level. The consequences of increasingly diverging pathways thus have implications for single nations as well as for global politics.

These issues present important questions for social research, regarding discourses of risk, acceptance and legitimacy, investment and costs, (changing) practices of energy consumption and production, and evolutions in actor networks.

We encourage submission of abstracts for presentations and posters in a wide variety of topics (see full description of the program and the sessions here). Workshop proposals are also welcome.

Sessions and Submissions

- Abstracts (oral and poster presentations): 150-200 words. Please indicate your preference regarding the format (presentation in a session, poster, round table) and session topic
- Workshops (90 min.) proposals are invited in different formats with a focus on thematic, methodological, and/or theoretical discussions. They can include up to four presentations. If the workshop is planned to include individual presentations, the workshop organizer also needs to include a title and abstract of each presenter's paper (150 words and affiliations).

Key Information

Authors cannot present more than one paper but can be co-authors of other papers. Abstracts must be submitted in English.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts and workshop proposals is **January 10th 2016**. Authors will be informed whether or not their abstract or workshop proposal is accepted by 1st of March 2016.

The fees for the conference are to be for early bird registration 50 Euro for ESA members, 60 for non-members, 30 for students. Registration will open from March to July 2016.

We look forward to welcoming you to Leipzig! Further info including abstract submissions can be found here: <http://www.ufz.de/energyandsociety>

Call for Submissions



Special Issue of European Journal of Cultural & Political Sociology in 2016

Neoinstitutionalism and world society theory: global-local entanglements

Guest editor: Dr. Ali Qadir, University of Tampere (Finland) and European Sociological Association Research Network on Global, Transnational & Cosmopolitan Sociology

Challenging rational-choice and functionalist theories of society and organizational life, sociological neoinstitutionalist approaches have had great success in explaining similarities across world society. World society theory, in particular, stresses the role of culture, maintaining that institutions shape and limit the understanding of options open to actors. Empirical and theoretical accounts have focused on the role of intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations in shaping world culture. Recent scholarship has developed these approaches to also account for apparent local variations, domestication of global trends, and travels of ideas.

The aim of this special issue is to contribute to extending world society theory by attending more closely to the local-global interface. This call invites papers from scholars who approach social phenomena from a neoinstitutionalist perspective. Topics exploring local-global entanglements may include, for example, the dynamics of formation, diffusion and domestication of transnational models; regional institutions and practices; new conceptions of the 'global'; travel of ideas; and adaptation of worldwide cultural fashions. Theoretical papers as well as empirical studies that develop world society theory are welcome, as are both quantitative and qualitative analyses.

All articles will be subject to the journal's usual practices of double-blind peer review and must conform to the journal requirements of style and format (see journal website at <http://explore.tandfonline.com/cfp/bes/recp-neoinstitutionalism>). Manuscripts should be between 6000 and 10000 words, including references and notes. Submitted papers should not have been previously published nor be currently under consideration for publication elsewhere. Submissions must be made via the journal's online submission system with the cover letter indicating that the manuscript is for this special issue.

The new deadline for submissions is 31 December 2015.

Contributors are welcome to contact the guest editor: ali.qadir@uta.fi



Call for Papers

**The 15th Biennial Conference
of EARA**

**16-19 September, 2016
at La Barrosa, Novo Sancti
Petri, Chiclana de la
Frontera, Andalusia, Spain.**



¿Qué será, será? Adolescent Research into the Future: Visions and Challenges

We invite contributions from a broad array of topics within research on adolescence. Such topics should be of interest to psychologists, but also to those working in disciplines such as Sociology, Psychiatry, Biology, Education, Anthropology, Law, Social Work, Leisure, Sports and Medicine, and we particularly encourage inter-disciplinary studies. The suggested topics include, though not exclusively: young people and their social groups, developmental transitions, social institutions, risk, deviance and the law, mental and physical health, leisure, identity, gender roles, minorities, technology, sports, cross-cultural differences, interventions, and relevant and innovative research methods.

Invited key-note speeches will be given by:

- Lisa Diamond: "Development of gender identity and sexual orientation."
- Saskia Kunnen: "A complex dynamic systems perspective on adolescents: Adolescence is complex, dynamic and systemic. So let's study it that way."
- John Schulenberg: "The contributions to the life course of adolescence and the transitions to adulthood."
- Carles Feixa: "From generation @ to generation #. Adolescence in the digital era".

Apart from key note speeches, there will also be a round-table discussion with Håkan Stattin, Rainer Silbereisen, Ingrid Schoon and Wim Meeus on Issues with large cohort and longitudinal studies, and a podium discussion between Howard Sercombe and Peter Uhlhaas on: The Adolescent Brain: What we can and cannot infer.

Registration:

Deadline for abstract submission: **March 31, 2016**

Notification of acceptance of abstracts: **April 30, 2016.**

Deadline for early registration: **May 15, 2016.**

While on-site registration will be possible, it is recommended that participants register well in advance and take advantage of the fee reductions. On-site registration will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis, and only cash payments can be accepted.

Presenters who wish their contribution to be listed in the programme should register before May, 15th.

Fees include Conference Participation, Materials, Opening Ceremony and 2 coffee-breaks per day. Prices are in Euro.

Contact: eara2016@gmail.com

Read the full announcement here: <http://www.eara2016.com/>

Call for Papers

6th Ethnography and Qualitative Research Conference Bergamo, 8-11 June 2016

Workshop

Submerged Conflicts. Ethnography of the Invisible Resistances in the Quotidian

Convenor: Pietro Saitta (University of Messina)

From June 8 to 11, 2016 will take place in Bergamo (Italy) the 6th Conference of Ethnography and Qualitative Research, organized by the University of Bergamo in collaboration with the journal *Etnografia e Ricerca Qualitativa* and the Italian publisher *Il Mulino*.

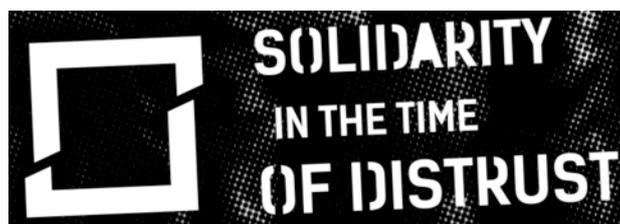
The present call for papers solicits either ethnographic or qualitative contributions that deal with *the theme of invisible resistances in the realms of everyday life, labor and public space*, and that show how politics and struggles move to private and quotidian plans, often illegal, which parallel the more conventional forms of collective action. Methodological contributions, based both on primary research accounts and secondary ethnographical and historical data that reflect on the problems of the recognition of resistances and the politics of writing, are also encouraged.

For a richer description of the workshop, please visit: <http://www.etnografiaricercaqualitativa.it/?p=581>

Authors interested in this initiative should submit an abstract (max. 1,000 words) by **January 15, 2016** to: Pietro Saitta (pisait@gmail.com), and erq.conference@unibg.it

For further information about the conference:

<http://www.etnografiaricercaqualitativa.it/>



Call for Panels

XVI Polish Sociological Congress

14-17 September 2016, Gdańsk, Poland

The Programme Committee of the Congress announces a call for thematic panels on conditions detailed out below.

Basic conditions of the Congress participation:

- **One cannot give two papers** or other “presentations” (poster, distributed paper etc.) during the Congress.
- Panel presenters **cannot all come from one research team/institute/ university/department** etc.

Thematic panels:

A thematic panel proposal can be submitted by:

- a) minimum two persons,
- b) these persons need to be from two different institutions,
- c) at least one of them needs to have a PhD.

The deadline for submitting thematic panels proposals is October 31, 2015.

The proposals should be sent to the email kontakt@16zjazdpts.pl with an annotation “thematic panel” in the subject line.

The proposal should contain:

- a) Names and last names of the persons submitting a panel proposal,
- b) their institutional affiliations,
- c) an indication of a contact person and her/his email address,
- d) the proposed title of a panel,
- e) an abstract (up to 300 words).

Important dates:

September 1st, 2015 – Call for Panels announced

October 31st, 2015 – deadline for thematic panel proposals

January 30th, 2016 – Programme Committee decision about the accepted thematic panels and the Call for Papers announced

March 31st, 2016 – deadline for paper proposals

April 30th, 2016 – deadline for associated events proposals

May 30th, 2016 – Programme Committee decision about the accepted papers and associated events announced

June 30th, 2016 – deadline for the early bird congress fees (fee amounts will be announced shortly)

Please find more details here (<http://16zjazdpts.pl/en/pierwszy-komunikat/>) or download a file (<http://16zjazdpts.pl/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Call-for-Panels.pdf>) with the Call. We are looking forward to your thematic panel proposals!



Call for Submissions

24th Sociology of Health and Illness Monograph

Materialities of Care: Encountering Health and Illness Through Artefacts and Architecture

Editors: Christina Buse, Daryl Martin, Sarah Nettleton (University of York)

Proposals are invited for the 24th *Sociology of Health and Illness* monograph, which explores the role of material culture within health and social care encounters, including everyday objects, dress, interiors and architecture. Everyday artefacts actively mediate practices, identities and lived experiences of health and illness, prompting reflection on medical and care practices; professional status; social divisions and distinctions; and embodiment. Science and technology studies literature has drawn attention to materialities in medical practice (e.g., medical technologies, experimental materials and instrumentation), but more mundane aspects of material culture have received less conceptual attention. We invite papers which use an analysis of everyday 'things' to engage with wider issues within medical sociology, as well as speaking to interdisciplinary literatures. Papers which consider the experience of care providers or those receiving care are welcomed, as are papers examining the perspective of designers and architects, who are not normally considered healthcare professionals, yet shape landscapes of care. In particular, submissions which add conceptual and empirical depth to discussions of materialities in health and social care are encouraged, as well as those which are reflexive about methods for capturing materialities.

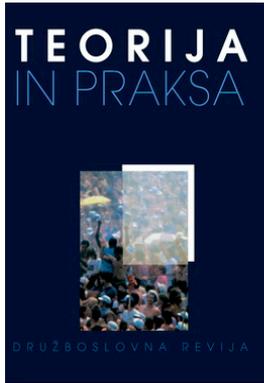
Possible themes include:

- the relations between bodies, materialities and care
- how things mediate embodied, tacit and sensory ways of knowing;
- the ordering and management of materialities in health and social care settings;
- the interaction of objects and artefacts with lived experiences and narratives of health and illness;
- the relation of architectural and interior design to imaginings of health and well-being;
- the interplay of material culture with identities, social divisions and distinctions.

The monograph will appear both as a regular issue of the journal and in book form, with the journal issue to be published in February 2018. Potential contributors should send an abstract of up to 600 words to Christina.Buse@york.ac.uk, Daryl.Martin@york.ac.uk and Sarah.Nettleton@york.ac.uk by **30th January 2016**. Name and institutional affiliation of the author(s) should also be supplied, including full contact details. We encourage international contributions, which will allow for cross-cultural comparison across the collection, as well as contributions from authors at a range of career stages, from early career to more established writers. Informal email enquiries prior to submission can be sent to any of the editors. Abstracts will be reviewed and potential authors notified by 1st March 2016.

Short-listed authors will be invited to submit a draft paper of 7,000 words by 1st July 2016.

Submissions will be refereed in the usual way and should follow the journal's style guidelines: [http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1467-9566/homepage/ForAuthors.html](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1467-9566/homepage/ForAuthors.html)



Call for Submissions

Journal Teorija in praksa

The legitimacy and effectiveness of gender quotas in CE Europe

The study of gender quotas is a growing area of political and gender studies. However, the issue of gender quotas remains relatively understudied in the Central East European region, despite the fact that almost all countries in the region have adopted some kind of gender quotas (legislated or voluntary party). Differences in political legacy, leading ideologies, party systems as well as differences in attitudes towards gender equality policies and the strength of women's movement are among those factors which might have led to variation in the pace of changes in women's political representation and in the adopted policies to change women's historical under-representation. We invite country case studies as well as comparative studies of the legitimacy and effectiveness of gender quotas in the region. We welcome studies that critically discuss existing research in the field.

Abstract of not more than 250 words by: **15 January 2016**

Abstracts to be sent to: Guest Editors:

Drude Dahlerup, Stockholm University, drude.dahlerup@statsvet.su.se
and Milica Antić Gaber, University of Ljubljana, milica.antic-gaber@guest.arnes.si



Call for Submissions

Mobilization: An International Quarterly

Mobilization: An International Quarterly is the premier journal of research specializing in social movements, protests, insurgencies, revolutions, and other forms of contentious politics.

Mobilization is fully peer-reviewed and widely indexed. Today, *Mobilization* is published four times a year, in March, June, September, and December. The editorial board is composed of thirty internationally recognized scholars from political science, sociology and social psychology.

Colleagues working on social movements, protests, insurgencies, revolutions, and other forms of contentious politics and collective action, particularly with an empirical focus, please do consider submitting your articles to us.

European authors should send their blinded manuscript along with a separate cover page with author contact details to Marco Giugni marco.giugni@unige.ch (European Editor).

You can read more about *Mobilization* here: <http://mobilizationjournal.org/>

Call for Submissions

Special issue of the Sociological Imagination Journal

Germany: 25 Years After Reunification

Call for Papers:

Sociological Imagination, the Journal of the Wisconsin Sociological Association, invites submissions for a special issue on "Germany: 25 Years After Reunification," edited by F. Peter Wagner, University of Wisconsin - Whitewater.

The Theme:

The Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic signed the Unification Treaty on August 31, 1990. On March 15, 1991, the Two Plus Four Treaty went into effect, giving the reunited Germany full sovereignty. The special issue aims to analyze and critically assess the changes in and for Germany as well as the impacts that the reunited and sovereign Germany has had and continues to have in European and international affairs. Thus, submissions are invited from a variety of disciplines and methodological bases on a variety of topics including, but not limited to, continuing socio-economic and cultural West/East divides in Germany, Germany's political development and Germany's political economy since the 1990s, Germany and migration (also Germany's role in the current refugee crisis), Germany's foreign and security policy, and Germany's role in transatlantic relations.

Submission guidelines:

Submissions for the special issue are due **March 14**. They should follow the American Sociological Association's style guidelines and not exceed 25 pages in total length. All authors will be informed about the status of their respective submissions in a timely manner. The publication date of the special issue is set for mid-June 2016.

The Journal:

Sociological Imagination aims to become one of the premier academic journals for the social and political sciences in the Midwest. All submissions are peer reviewed and the journal is listed on EBSCO.

More information about the journal here:

<http://www.wisconsinsociologicalassociation.org/journal.html>

For further inquiries about the special issue and paper submissions, contact the special issue editor, F. Peter Wagner:

Email: wagnerp@uww.edu

Phone: 262-472-1679

OPPORTUNITIES



Call for Applications

Kurdish Studies Summer School

Kurdish Politics and Society: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives 27-29 June 2016, University of Leicester, United Kingdom

Please join us at this three-day intensive summer school focusing on Kurdish politics and society. This is the first-ever Kurdish Studies Summer School and will bring together scholars, postgraduate students and community advocates.

Dates: Monday 27th June, Tuesday 28th June and Wednesday 29th June 2016.

Place: University of Leicester, United Kingdom.

Registration Fees: Early registration fee is £250; Registrations after 10th December 2015: £300. Registration fees cover tuition and venue costs.

This summer school is designed to engage postgraduate students (Master and PhD), independent scholars, recent graduates in the field of Kurdish Studies as well as community advocates in the politics, society and culture of Kurds.

Confirmed keynote lecturers and panellists include:

- Professor Christine Allison
- Professor Hamit Bozarslan
- Dr Necla Acik
- Dr Kamran Matin
- Dr Ipek Demir

The lectures and workshops will be organized in line with the lecturers' area of expertise. They will be broadly in these areas:

- Area 1: 'Kurdish language, literature, popular culture and folklore in Kurdistan'
- Area 2: 'Coercion and Violence in Kurdistan and in the Middle East'
- Area 3: 'International Relations, nationalism, and the Kurdish Question'
- Area 4: 'Gender and Kurdish Studies'
- Area 5: 'Kurdish Diaspora'

Application info:

You are welcome to apply as one of the following:

- (a) as a presenter of a paper;
- (b) as a student rapporteur;
- (c) as an attendee.

You will be able to indicate this on the registration form.

Abstract:

Those wishing to present a paper and receive feedback, please send a long abstract (max 500 words) to id34@le.ac.uk. Please note that both the word-limit and abstract deadline are strict.

Abstract deadline: 30 October 2015

Abstract shortlisting will be finalised and communicated by 15 November 2015.

Registration:

Registrations will open on 15 November 2015
Early Registration Deadline: 10 December 2015
Early Registration Fee: £250
Registration Fees after 10 December 2015: £300

In the event of the summer school being oversubscribed, participants may be selected according to the likely coherence of the sessions – this is not necessarily a reflection on the quality of work submitted.

Accommodation:

Special rates on accommodation will be sent after the early registration deadline. Local costs for accommodation are competitive and start from £40 per night.

Please note that this is not a conference but a teaching and learning event involving teaching sessions from senior scholars of Kurdish Studies. It is a unique opportunity and places are limited.

Evening Events:

Film showing and Kurdish dance, depending on interest.

For more information please see:

<https://www2.le.ac.uk/departments/sociology/research/conferences-and-workshops/kurdish-studies-summer-school>