

Social Science News

May 2011

Call for papers
Conferences

Postgraduate Interdisciplinary Conference: "Transformation"

Date: 7-8 July, 2011 **Site:** Cardiff, Wales, UK **Organiser:** Cardiff University

Topics: This year's conference will be aimed at doctoral students whose research work converges on the theme of Transformations. The aim is to enhance understanding by providing the opportunity for interdisciplinary crossfertilisation of ideas. Proposals for papers are invited from postgraduate researchers across the UK and overseas in order to foster institutional links between students. Examples of themes to be explored are: Transformation of the self/other; Social/political transformation; Creative/digital transformation; Past or future transformation;

Transformation of space/place; Philosophical/religious transformation; Ethical or legal transformation. **Language:** English **Fee:** The conference is free of charge.

Fee: The conference is free of charge. Limited accommodation in student halls of residence will be available on a first come first served basis at a cost of

£27.53 per night (including breakfast)

Deadline: May 15, 2011

Contact:

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Internet:

http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/ugc/training/studentconferences/themedevent/transformationscfp.html

(source: Internet)

Managing Diversity in the Post-Conflict Western Balkans: Multiculturalism, Multiethnicity, and Europeanization

Date: June 24-25, 2011 **Site:** Prishtina, Kosovo

Organiser: Kosovo Public Policy Center

Topics: The objective of this international conference is to bring together scholars, researchers, policymakers, and other professionals with an interest in the Western Balkans and multiculturalism, as well as multiethnicity and Europeanization. To enrich the discussions, the conference will feature prominent scholars of these topics.

Language: English

Deadline: May 16, 2011; All abstracts must be in English (max. 300-400 words, including the full name, affiliation, academic background, contact details of the author and a CV), typed, and submitted via email (as a .DOC (MS Word) or PDF attachments) to conference@kppcenter.org

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(source: Internet)

Cosmopolitanism in a Wider Context: Conceptualizing Past and Present

Date: November 24–26, 2011 **Site:** Stockholm, Sweden

Organiser: Center for Baltic and East European Studies (CBEES) at Södertörn University, Nobel Museum in

Stockholm

Topics: The aim of the conference is to present a new perspective on a contemporary discourse, which is often dominated by ahistorical presumptions. The conference seeks to create a meeting between the social sciences and humanities in order to examine how the history, and prehistory, of cosmopolitanism has left traces in contemporary notions and perceptions. The organizers are interested in how the history of the concept says something about the often contradictory meanings attributed to the term today—empirically, theoretically, and normatively. Suggested topics for paper presentations on cosmopolitanism: Relations between cosmopolitanism, internationalism, patriotism and nationalism; Cosmopolitanism as a Gegenbegriff ('counter-concept'), as well as negative or pejorative uses of it, e.g. 'rootless cosmopolitanism as a Gegenbegriff ('counter-concept'), as well as negative or pejorative uses of 't, e.g. 'rootless cosmopolitanism; Eurocentrism and universalism, globalism and Occidentalism; Europe and its 'Others'; East/West (and North/South) dichotomization; Cosmopolitanism and diversity/multiculturalism/pluralism; Individual and cultural rights; Cosmopolitanism and world peace; Cosmopolitanism and globalization, global governance/democracy/civil society; Religion and the 'clash of civilizations'; World citizenship and national sovereignty; Migration and sans papers/transnational border



areas and intercultural dialogues; Cosmopolitanism and 'world culture'; Methodological nationalism versus methodological cosmopolitanism.

Language: English Deadline: May 19, 2011

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Terror(ism) and aesthetics

Date: September 22–24, 2011

Site: Szeged, Hungary

Organiser: Department of Comparative Literature at the University of Szeged in association with the Section of

Language and Literature of the Szeged Branch of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Topics: The conference will focus on the multifaceted and at times uncanny relation between the political notion and discourse of terror(ism) and the tradition of aesthetic thought from antiquity to the present. The prime goal of the conference is to provide new critical perspectives and conceptual tools for the analysis of the complex and controversial phenomenon called "terrorism" from the direction of aesthetic theory, and thereby to displace the far too militarized rendering of the issue. The insights of historical and political studies, as well as the practical demands of security politics are fully acknowledged. Related issues could include, for instance: Politics of feeling (pathos, sympathy, telepathy, apathy); Terrorism as figural rhetoric (dissimulation): Terrorism as performative rhetoric (symbolic action); Poetics (verbal, visual, auditory, and performative modes of terror); Theatricality and performance art; Calculation (scripts, scenarios, effects); The event and its mediation (or the event in and of mediation); Aesthetic distance, negative pleasure; Danger and safety; Networking (franchise, proliferation, metastasis), and its relation to language; Asymmetry (war/terrorism, conventional/unconventional warfare); suicide and autoimmunity; Movement in politics and art (the question of -isms).

Language: English, proposals for papers: German or French are also possible

Deadline: May 31, 2011

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11th Aleksanteri Conference: "The Dragon and the Bear: Strategic Choices of China and Russia"

Date: 9-11 November, 2011 **Site:** Helsinki, Finland

Organiser: Aleksanteri Institute, the Finnish Centre for Russian and Eastern European Studies

Topics: The conference will emphasize a multidisciplinary and comparative approach and bring forth new interpretations on the different strategic choices of the two giants and their mutual relations. Hence, conference participation is open to a broad array of international scholars from the political and social sciences, economics, the law, and the arts and humanities. Additionally, due to the obvious economic and policy relevancy of the topic, representatives of the public and private sectors are also invited to contribute in the panels and roundtable discussions. Conference Themes are: History and change: converging and diverging models of communism and transition; International framework: Cold War legacy, spheres of influence, integration, bilateral relations; Economy: transformation models, FDIs, legal framework, state ownership and the entrepreneurial environment; Democracy: aspects of authoritarianism and democracy, institutions, elites, practices of governance; Social Balance: socio-economic and welfare development; Critical Infrastructure security: national crisis management systems and their implications to regional security balance.

Language: English Deadline: May 31, 2011

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My PhD 2011: "Does place matter? Central and Eastern Europe in the global world of the 21. century"

Date: 20-22 October, 2011 **Site:** Bratislava, Slovak Republic

Organiser: Friedrich Ebert Foundation in cooperation with European Trade Union Institute (ETUI) and Proforum under the auspices of Ms. Brigita Schmognerova, the former Minister of Finance of Slovakia and the President of Proforum.

Topics: 24 authors of the best papers from different research areas dealing with the post-communist trends in Central and Eastern Europe selected by the jury will have an opportunity to present and discuss their papers in 8 panels under the supervision of 8 distinguished Senior Academics. The main goals of the Conference are: Promotion of inter-disciplinary dialogue between young scientists in Central and Eastern Europe; Promotion of discussions on public interest in different research areas at the level of EU and national policies; Promoting mobility and productive confrontation of PhD students from countries of Central Eastern and Western Europe; Establishing an effective knowledge based network; Publishing the collection of all contributions in electronic form; Publishing the best papers selected by Senior-Academics in print form. Selected conference papers dealing with the matters of Central and Eastern Europe will be published in the special issues of SEER and emec on. ETUI strongly encourages the participants to apply for a three month traineeship dealing with labour environment issues from European perspective. To apply, prospective participants should submit an application form, CV and abstract of the paper which will be presented at the conference, max. 300 words.

Language: English

Fee: no fee, accommodation, food and travel expenses will be covered by organizers

Deadline: 31 May, 2011

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Colonial Legacies, Postcolonial Contestations: Decolonizing the Social Sciences and the Humanities

Date: June 16-18, 2011

Site: Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Organiser: Frankfurt Research Center for Postcolonial Studies (FRCPS)

Topics: Conference presentations are sought particularly to examine those fields in which postcolonial theory has largely been underrepresented. Postcolonial-feminist theory comprises a key point of reference for the conference, because it has simultaneously led to an increasing differentiation and crucial revisions both within Postcolonial Studies as well as within Gender and Women's Studies. The conference's goals are twofold: first, the organizer seeks to illustrate the epistemological and methodological relevance of a postcolonial (feminist) perspective within the various disciplines of the Social Sciences and the Humanities by example of concrete research projects; second, the organizer aims to facilitate (trans-) disciplinary networking. The conference is conceived of as a graduate conference for early career researchers; contributions with a reference to postcolonial (feminist) theory from advanced students, doctoral candidates and postdocs in the Social Sciences and the Humanities are most welcome.

Language: English, French, Spanish

Deadline: May 31, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: frcps.mail@googlemail.com

Internet: http://www.frcps.uni-frankfurt.de/?page_id=729

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RHSS – The Second International Conference: "Re-Thinking Humanities and Social Sciences. The Zone and Zones - Radical Spatiality in our Times?"

Date: September 1-4, 2011

Site: Zadar, Croatia

Organiser: University of Zadar

Topics: Possible topics include: The zone as a specific locality (local/global, suburbs as zones, tourist zones...); The zone as a supplement to "the Whole" (world system, urban space...); The war zones, urban zones, the zones-within-zones, private zones (private matrixes, virtual worlds...); The zone as a non-place (shopping malls, airports, motorways...); The military zones (ghettos, occupied territories, frontiers, borders...); Concentration camps and asylum centers (the zone as spatialised state of exception); Gothic and fantastic spaces/zones; Contact-zones (museums, borderlands...); Radical zone as Third space, created and populated by the marginalized; The zone as a symptom (the zone may be viewed as a particular spatial entity that subverts its broader foundation, its own genius...); The Zone as the site of political struggle; Zones and the construction of identity; The history of spaces/zones; Virtual zones (games...); etc.

Language: English **Fee:** 80 €/ 40 € (for graduate students); late fee

100 €/ 50 € (for graduate students)

Deadline: June 1, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: rhss.conference@gmail.com

Internet: http://www.rhss-conference.com/

(source: Internet)



Young People in the Balkans as Actors of Social Integration

Date: September 30 - October 1, 2011

Site: Belgrade, Serbia

Organiser: Institute for Sociological Research at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade

Topics: The conference aims at discovering the role, in the broadest terms, which young people from different Balkan countries play in processes of social dis/integration within particular society, the region, and Europe. The conference aims at covering the broad range of interdisciplinary topics, related to both normative and action level of young people's lives. Maintenance and travel costs for invited foreign participants will be covered by the organizers. The conference will be in English and there will be no fee charge. Conference participants are required to submit an abstract up to 250 words along with their affiliation and contact details via email.

Language: English Deadline: June 1, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: isi@f.bq.ac.rs

(source: e-mail from the organizer)

8th Annual International Conference on Human Trafficking, Prostitution and Sex Work

Date: September 29-30, 2011 Site: Toledo (Ohio), United States

Organiser: The social service program Second Chance

Topics: The purpose of this conference is to bring together researchers and practitioners in an effort to lay the groundwork for future collaborative research, advocacy, and program development. To educate social service, health care, and criminal justice professionals on human trafficking and the needs and risks of those victimized by the commercial sex industry. Areas of Interest are: Violence and the Sex Trade; Children and Teen Victims of Trafficking; International Trafficking; HIV & other Health Related Risks; Programming Models and Funding; Domestic Trafficking; Personal Experiences in the Sex Trade; Drug Addiction and the Sex Trade; Men & Boys in the Sex Trade; Children of Women in the Sex Industry; Neighborhood & Community Responses; Emotional Health; Target Assessment & Effective Intervention; Paradigms, Perspectives & Policies; Advocacy & Social Action; Survivor Experiences and Stories; Law Enforcement Perspectives; Coalition building and Consciousness raising; LGBTQ Perspectives on the Sex Industry.

Language: English Fee: \$70 (for one day)/ \$140 (for two days); \$30 (students for one day)/ \$60 (students for two days)

Deadline: June 30, 2011

Contact: Conference Organizing Committee E-mail: prostitutionconference@yahoo.com

Internet: http://www.prostitutionconference.com/

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International scientific conference: Civilizational Dynamics of Contemporary Societies

Date: September 23-24, 2011 Site: St. Petersburg, Russia

Organiser: Sociological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences in collaboration with St. Petersburg State

University

Topics: The purpose of the conference is to provide an opportunity for interested scholars to discuss the broad range of issues concerning the research of contemporary civilizational processes and to present the empirical results. The following topics are suggested for discussion: History and methodology of the sociological analysis of civilizational processes; Civilizational aspects of economic, political and cultural changes of contemporary societies; Civilizational dynamics of contemporary societies in the comparative-historical perspective; Discourse and politics of civilizational identity in the contemporary world; Modernization as a factor of civilizational dynamics of contemporary societies.

Language: Russian, English Fee: 900 RUR or 25 €

Deadline: June 30, 2011, for abstracts (in English and not more than 150 words), application forms, and papers

Contact: Ruslan Braslavsky and Yulia Prozorova (for papers and application forms)

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(source: Internet)

Education in turbulent times: The Albanian case in European and global context

Date: November 21-22, 2011

Site: Tirana, Albania

Organiser: Albanian Institute of Sociology (AIS), International Sociological Association (ISA), European

Sociological Association (ESA)

Topics: I. Central Theme: "Education in turbulent times: The Albanian case in European and global context": II. Free topics, according to the Thematic Sections (TS) of AIS which are: Communication, Culture and Arts: Population and Migration; Sociology of Education; Political Sociology; Collective Behaviour, Social Movements and Social Change; Marriage and Family; Globalization; Sex and Gender; Childhood and Youth; Organizations, Occupations and Work; Sociological Theory; Comparative and Historical Studies; Deviance and Social Control;



Sociological Practice; History of Sociology; Human Rights and Collective Goods; Economic Sociology / Economy &

Society; Sociology of Religion; Regional and Urban Development; Security and Public Health; Students. **Language:** English, Albanian, Italian **Fee:** 50 €; late fee 100 €; no fee (AIS members)

Deadline: June 30, 2011 (abstract submission); early registration by: August 31, 2011

Contact: Jonida Lamaj, Secretary of the Conference **E-mail:** info@instituti-sociologjise.org; isrrjeti@gmail.com

Internet: http://www.isa-sociology.org/pdfs/Annual %20Conference AIS.pdf

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15th Interdisciplinary Conference: "Migration and the State: Ethnicity, Citizenship, and Transnationalism"

Date: December 1-2, 2011 **Site:** Warsaw, Poland

Organiser: The Institute of History of Polish Academy of Sciences, the Institute of Ethnology and Cultural

Anthropology of University of Warsaw

Topics: The aim of the conference is to create an interdisciplinary space to discuss the issue of migration and the state, taking into account both the present situation and the history of migratory movements. In the recent years there has been much discussion on issues such as transnationalism and multiple belonging, which created a space to analyze both the receiving and sending end of the migration stream, and put an emphasis on the role of the nation state. During the conference we will discuss and try to redefine such notions as ethnicity, citizenship, and identity. The main issues of the conference are: What forms do transnational linkages take and what is their relation to the state? How does loyalty to the home country affect the life of the migrant in the receiving country and his identity? How are immigrants seen by themselves and by the receiving society? How are citizenship rights changed by the arrival of the immigrants? What is the significance of ethnicity in migration research nowadays? How does different ethnicity affect one's ability to move freely within the country of residence?

Language: English

Deadline: September 1, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: migration.and.the.state@gmail.com

Internet: http://www.religionanddiversity.ca/media/uploads/Migration.doc

(source: Internet)

The Second ISA Forum "Social Justice and Democratization"

Date: August 1-4, 2012 **Site:** Buenos Aires, Argentina

Organiser: International Sociological Association (ISA)

Topics: The most important objective of the Forum is to provide a meeting place for the various Research Committees (RCs), Working Groups (WGs), and Thematic Groups (TGs). Organizers will be provided as much flexibility as possible in designing their respective programs within the scheduled time slots. The second objective is to develop a socially significant theme involving public actors and to which different areas of sociology can contribute. Social Justice and Democratization, the selected theme for the 2012 Forum, offers RCs, WGs and TGs the opportunity to learn from public actors as well as contributing to the Forum's main theme.

Language: English Fee:

Deadline: December 15, 2011; the abstracts should be submitted on-line to a centralised website which will be operational from August 25, 2011.

Contact:

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(source: Internet)

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Workshops

Symposium: "Yu.N.Davydov's Works and Historical Horizons of Theoretical Sociology"

Date: October 12-14, 2011

Site: Zvenigorod, Moscow Region, Russian Federation

Topic: Professor Yuri Nikolaevich Davydov (31.07.1929 – 21.04.2007) was an eminent Soviet and Russian social philosopher and sociologist, who authored and edited several books and papers in social philosophy, history of sociology and sociological theory. Among his most notable contributions are "Labour and Freedom" (1962), "Art as a Sociological Phenomenon. A Characterization of Aesthetic and Political Views of Plato and Aristotle" (1968), "Criticism of the Social and Philosophical Beliefs of the Frankfurt School "(1977), "Max Weber and Contemporary Theoretical Sociology" (1998), five volumes of "The History of Theoretical Sociology" (first ed. – 1997-1999) and many others. Prof. Davydov inspired two generations of Russian and foreign social scientists in the fields of history of sociology and sociological theory. The scheduled topics of this small symposium include: The theoretical sociology: its past, present and future; Y. Davydov's contributions into the history of sociology and contemporary sociological theory; Sociological theory and related disciplines: mirrors and reflections; Prospects of theoretical sociology in contemporary Russia.



Language: Russian

Deadline: May 31, 2011; the abstracts (max. 300 words in rich text format) should be sent to:

E-mail: davydov conf@mail.ru. For further information contact Dr. Natalie Orlova or Prof. Inna Deviatko

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(source: e-mail from the organizers)

Preventing Genocide - Root Causes and Coping Strategies

Date: November 24-25, 2011 **Site:** Antwerp, Belgium

Organiser: University Centre Saint-Ignatius Antwerp (UCSIA)

Topics: A two-day international workshop with specialized lectures and presentations and debates by invited senior and junior scholars, accessible to the broader academic community, as well as an evening lecture open to the broader public. The workshop is meant to be more than just a meeting of experts. The aim is to offer a platform to scholars to present their research on the topic and exchange their ideas on research findings.

Language: English Deadline: May 15, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Moralities of Migration

Date: December 13-14, 2011

Site: Oslo, Norway

Organiser: Peace Research Institute Oslo

Topics: The workshop is concerned with descriptive moralities, i.e. the socially constructed codes of conduct that migrants and their communities relate to. (This implies that contributions about the normative moralities of how migration *ought to* take place or be governed, fall outside the scope of the workshop) The organizer invites contributions that are based on empirical research, either with a specific case or synthesizing across cases. Theoretical extensions from empirical accounts are particularly welcome. The primary objective is to better understand how migration-related behaviour is shaped by culturally specific moralities.

Language: English

Deadline: 15 June, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Second International BIBB/IAB Workshop - T.A.S.K.S. 2 (Technology, Assets, Skills, Knowledge, Specialisation)

Date: January 17-18, 2012 **Site:** Bonn, Germany

Organiser: Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Institute for Employment Research

IAB)

Topics: This workshop invites empirical and theoretical contributions using the task-based approach from all areas of labour market research, and from related fields such as sociology and economics of vocational education and training, industrial economics, international comparisons, public finance, or stratification research. The scientific committee encourages contributions focusing on the role of job tasks in explaining (cross-) country changes in wages, occupational structures and skill demand, on worker heterogeneity in job tasks, on social and economic outcomes of the changing skill demand, on regional and international aspects of these trends, e.g. the trade in tasks, and on the measurement of tasks. Moreover, papers are welcome, that employ the interaction of task changes and organisational change, the role of education and labour market institutions, and labour market imperfections.

Language: English

Deadline: August 1, 2011; Extended abstracts (3 pages) or full papers in PDF or MS Word will be submitted as

attachments to $\underline{\mathsf{TASKS2@bibb.de}}$.

Contact: Daniela Rohrbach-Schmidt, Christiane Spies **E-mail:** <u>Daniela Rohrbach-Schmidt; Christiane Spies</u> **Internet:** http://www.bibb.de/de/57409.htm

(source: Internet)



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Summer Schools

Transparency International Summer School on Integrity

Date: July 11-15, 2011 **Site:** Lithuania, Vilnius

Organiser: Transparency International Lithuania in cooperation with Mykolas Romeris University

Topics: The aim of the Summer School is to provide student leaders from across the region with an opportunity to learn first-hand from professionals working in the anti-corruption field. The School seeks to provide students with a peer-to-peer learning and integrity-building platform that links international experience with transparency and integrity to the current situation in post-communist countries. Participants of the Transparency International Summer School on Integrity will learn about the causes of corruption and practical ways in which post-communist countries can become more transparent and accountable. The School staff will offer students state-of-the-art professional guidance and compelling case studies showing long-term sustainability through transparent and integrity. Led by experienced anti-corruption professionals, the School seeks to create an environment that brings discussions about transparency and integrity from a high public policy level into the classroom and the everyday life of students.

Language: English Fee: 250 €

Deadline: May 15, 2011

Contact:

Internet: http://tischool.lt/ti-summer-school/

(source: Internet)

Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences - Linking Theory and Empirical Research

Date: July 17 – 29, 2011 **Site:** Berlin, Germany

Organiser: Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS) at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Social Science

Research Center Berlin (WZB)

Topics: The Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences – Linking Theory and Empirical Research aims at promoting young researchers by strengthening their methodological understanding in linking theory and empirical research. In a first step, the organizer tackles the key methodological challenges of causation, micro-macro-linkage, and concept-building that occur in all research efforts. In a second step, the organizer looks at how certain empirical fields deal with these challenges and – by referring to selected empirical studies – what solutions have been found to overcome them. Furthermore, participants are provided with hands-on research advices and have the opportunity to present their own work and approaches to these issues.

Language: English Deadline: May 15, 2011

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Internet: www.berlinsummerschool.de/ (source: e-mail from the organizers)

International Summer School "Implementation of Sustainability into Research and Teaching of Higher Education Institutions in Eastern Europe"

Date: September 19-21, 2011 **Site:** Lueneburg, Germany

Organiser: The Institute for Environmental and Sustainability Communication of Leuphana University Lüneburg **Topics:** The Summer School aims to encourage the implementation of sustainability into research and teaching of East European universities – both in terms of higher education policy frameworks and transformation of higher education institutions. The participants will also have the possibility to attend the 4th International Conference of the UNESCO Chair 'Higher Education for Sustainable Development' as part of the agenda. The following key topics will be covered: Universities as teaching, learning and living environments for sustainable development: contributions of educational institutions to promote sustainable societal development; Implementation of sustainability-oriented teaching: challenges for curricular mainstreaming; content-related, methodological and structural challenges for different target groups; Sustainability research: inter-and transdisciplinary research approaches and methods; Sustainability-oriented cooperation between science and practice: challenges (interface management and knowledge integration); efficiency measurement and evaluation; Approaches to academic institutionalization of sustainability: management systems, indicator sets, benchmark systems, approaches to organizational change.

Language: English

Fee: Following costs will be covered by the project: International return flight arrive Hamburg or Hanover (economy class only) (max. 500 €); Transport from Hamburg or Hanover airport to Lüneburg (by train and bus); Accommodation and living costs during the stay in Lüneburg; Health insurance and visa costs. All other costs are participants' responsibility



Deadline: May 15, 2011

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(source: Internet)

ISA Tenth International Laboratory: Social Exclusion, Citizenship and Social Capital

Date: November 7-13, 2011 **Site:** Johannesburg, South Africa

Organiser: International Sociological Association (ISA)

Topics: The main theme of this year's ISA Laboratory is Social Exclusion, Citizenship and Social Capital. Potential applicants should understand that this is a broad theme and that their research may focus on or be related in some way to one or more of the emphases. Social Exclusion, Citizenship and Social Capital will be the focus of a series of lectures during the laboratory week, and these lectures will be delivered by renowned academics from both within and outside of South Africa.

Language: English

Deadline: May 15, 2011; Applications must be received by mail only.

Contact: International Sociological Association, Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology, University

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Internet: http://www.isa-sociology.org/isa lab.htm

(source: Internet)

International Summer School Sarajevo 2011 (ISSS 2011): "Human rights and transitional justice"

Date: July 18-31, 2011

Site: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Organiser: Association "PRAVNIK", Rule of Law Program South East Europe of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung **Topics:** The main objective of ISSS 2011 is to foster contemporary discussion on the issue of Transitional Justice and Human Rights through a unique blend of theory, practice and experience with an aim to empower future decision makers by: Bringing together experienced professionals and young scholars from the SEE region and Europe and US; Contributing to the global discussion on the issue of Transitional Justice and Human Rights; Networking of Alumni students and lecturers from previous generations with this year participants.

Language: English **Fee:** 200 €; Students from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia,

Montenegro, Romania and Serbia are eligible to apply

for a participation fee reduction of 50 %

Deadline: May 15, 2011

Contact: Association "PRAVNIK", Porodice Ribar 49, Sarajevo 71000, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Internet: http://www.pravnik-online.info/cms/

(source: Internet)

Rescaling Government: Reforming public administration and local government

Date: September 18-23, 2011 **Site:** Vouliagmeni, Greece

Organiser: EURA (European Urban Research Association), EUROLOC

Topics: The 2011 Summer School aims at organizing specialized courses for Ph.D. students whose research topics are related to the field of public policies and local government. Given the latest institutional reforms that have been made in countries such as Denmark and Greece, this year's Summer School gives emphasis on the evaluation of territorial and functional reforms and the methodology used for this purpose. The main topics of this summer school are going to be: 1. a) Does "scale" matter for achieving effective governance? Territorial restructuring, b) Do "institutions" matter? Local government systems and territorial reforms; 2. Does "size" matter for local democracy? Accountability, effectiveness and legitimacy; 3. How to measure the results of institutional reforms? Evaluation of institutional change and performance of newly established institutional settings; 4. How to explain administrative reforms?

Language: English **Fee:** 250 €; Accommodation, breakfast and one meal per day will be offered by the organizers. Travel costs will be covered by the participants themselves

Deadline: May 31, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: summer.school@icbss.org

Internet: http://www.uni-stuttgart.de/soz/avps/euroloc/

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Social Work and Social Policy Issues in Estonia

Date: July 22-30, 2011 **Site:** Tallinn, Estonia

Organiser: Institute of Social Work

Topics: The summer course's objective is to support international collaboration in the field of social work and social studies in Estonia. By inviting speakers and students from partner universities, is hopping to create the opportunity to gain and exchange valuable international experience, an essential tool for the contemporary social worker. An opportunity to study within a multicultural environment is one of the most important goals of the summer course. This module consists of lectures on various issues related to social work in Estonia and abroad. Additionally, workshops will be organized to allow students to get involved in a specific subject area such as child and youth welfare, the welfare of the elderly or the welfare of people with special needs. Workshops include presentations given by academics as well as by professionals from the social services. The course includes a field trip to an institution involved in some aspect of social work. Participants will be given the opportunity to visit children's home, an old people's home, a rehabilitation centre, an institution for persons with special needs, etc. Students will also have the chance to acquaint themselves with Estonia and its national culture.

Language: English **Fee:** 125 €

Deadline: June 1, 2011

Contact: Koidu Saame, Birgit Kirsimägi E-mail: koidu.saame@tlu.ee; birgitk@tlu.ee Internet: http://summerschool.tlu.ee/social-work/

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Summer school "The Politics of Memory in Transition: Applying Methods of Conflict Analysis and Approaches of Conflict Resolution to Central Asia?"

Date: September 12-17, 2011 **Site:** Astana, Kazakhstan

Organiser: Center for Conflict Studies, University of Marburg (CCS)

Topics: The objectives of the summer school are fourfold: First, the program aims at acquainting students with basic qualitative and quantitative methods of conflict analysis including discourse and content analysis as well as interview techniques. Second, students will receive training in various approaches to conflict resolution and mediation. Third, students will be introduced to the contested issue of politics of memory with case studies from German history. Finally, students will apply the acquired skills in practice through the analysis of historical sites, buildings and/or movies and interviews with experts on issues of remembrance. The school aims at Master students or advanced students from all Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tadzhikistan. In addition, a small number of Master or doctoral students from Germany can also apply. Students from other countries are not eligible to apply. All applicants are asked to submit a CV of no more than two pages and a letter of motivation. The letter of motivation must not exceed 700 words and should outline the reasons for applying and the intended benefits you expect for your further studies, research or professional career. Thanks to the financial support by the DAAD we can offer full funding for travel, room and board for all accepted applicants. Accepted applicants are asked to book tickets to Astana early in advance.

Language: English Deadline: 15 May 2011

Contact: Center for Conflict Studies, University of Marburg, Ketzerbach 11, 30532 Marburg

E-Mail: summpacs@staff.uni-marburg.de

Internet: http://www.uni-marburg.de/konfliktforschung/cfp_summerschool

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Ukraine Today: Social, Political and Cultural Change before and after the Orange revolution

Date: September 18 - October 2, 2011

Site: Kyiv, Ukraine

Organiser: National University of "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy" (NaUKMA)

Topics: The objective of this English-language (late) summer school is to introduce students to the transformations that took place in Ukraine before and after the 2004 Orange Revolution from various perspectives: political, economic, social, and cultural. Additionally the course provides participants with a general idea of "post-Soviet society," its main features and development dynamics, thus establishing a framework for understanding other societies of this type. The teaching will involve English-speaking political scientists, historians, economists, culturologists, and sociologists, mainly from the staff of the Mohyla Academy. The course will include lectures and workshops, in one way or another, related to the following topics: Ukraine between Democracy and Authoritarianism; Ukraine's Path to and after the Orange Revolution; Ukraine and Its Relationship to the European Union; Ukraine and Its Relationship to Russia; Ukraine's Transformation in Comparative Perspective; Ukraine's Economy Before and After the World Financial Crisis; Ukraine's Coming to Term with Its Past; Ukraine's Post-Soviet Cultural Life; Ukraine's Social Change and Modernization Since 1991; Ukraine and the Question of Gender Equality; Ukraine and the Challenge of Ecological Change; Ukraine After Chernobyl; and, possibly, other similar topics.

Language: English Fee: 462 €

Deadline: June 1, 2011

Contact: Larysa Chovnyuk, Head of the Department for Foreign Cooperation, 2 Skovorody vul., Kyiv 04070, Ukraine



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6th European Environmental Sciences Student Association - EURENSSA 2011

Date: July 22 – August 1, 2011 **Site:** Chernigov, Ukraine

Organiser: European Environmental Sciences Student Association and NGO "ADJUTOR"

Topics: Implementation of sustainability in the daily life. The program is very practically orientated and aimed to experience on-hand international practices on sustainability. The curriculum is divided into three units – Ecology, Business and Creativity, each unit lasts for three days. Program covers the following topics: rural tourism and good examples of green farming (excursions); results of people's activities (Chernobyl field trip); green office and business social responsibility; saving recreational areas (Yalivshina National park); green business games as an educational tool; principles of green home design, the adaptive mechanisms used by the mankind to create comfortable environment(trip to the very beginning: Mezinska site of primitive man), workshops to design green works of art, painting workshops; innovations for fun and business(workshop); the best examples of environmentally friendly management and every day actions from different countries(participants' presentations).

Language: English **Fee:** 40 € (for participants from CIS countries); 60 €

(for EU and other countries)

Deadline: June 15, 2011

Contact:

E-mail: info@eurenssa2011.org.ua **Internet:** www.eurenssa2011.org.ua (source: e-mail from the organizers)

ESPAnet Italia - "Family and Care Policies in Changing Societies"

Date: September 23-28, 2011

Site: Milan, Italy

Organiser: Costanzo Ranci (Politecnico di Milano), Manuela Naldini (University of Turin)

Topics: The Summer School is dedicated to the analysis and close examination of Family and Care Policies in contemporary Europe in a comparative perspective. Specific attention will be devoted to the relationship between social and demographic shifts, families' structures and labour market transformations and public policies adjustment processes. The Summer School is organized in five modules, each of them focusing on a specific aspect or segment of family and care policies. In the mornings students will attend to lectures given by European scholars from various social policies fields. In the afternoon attendants will have the opportunity to present their PhD or research projects and to discuss them collectively with other participants and scholars. One module (morning and afternoon) is completely devoted to the description and use of SHARE data for policy analysis.

Language: English **Fee:** 300 € **Deadline:** June 30, 2011; Applications should be sent to: lps@polimi.it

Contact: Giuliana Costa, Politecnico di Milano, Cristina Solera, Turin University

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Call for papers

Journals

Sociologie Românească (Romanian Sociology)

Place of publication: Oradea, Romania Type of publication: print and online Publication date: September 2011

Published by/ edited by: Romanian Sociological Association, in collaboration with European Institute Romania **Topics:** The urban life represents more and more a conglomerate that draws the social, cultural, economic and political trends for increasingly extended areas. From the little town to the big metropolitan areas and conurbations, the detachment by the natural medium, by traditions and by organic solidarity have generated new artificially processes, phenomenon and manifestations, that try to assure a continuous adaptation to life style difficult to estimate few decades ago. The urban regeneration of the physic and symbolic mediums under the pressure of the continuous extensions of the specific communities represent nowadays a content that cannot be managed without an adequate knowledge of them manifestations and consequences. The special issue of the journal Romanian Sociology (Sociologie Românească) (3/2011) is open to papers that want to contribute to the identification and clarification of the contemporary processes, phenomenon's and manifestations that represent serious challenges for urban communities. Innovative theoretical analyses, case studies and examples of good practices from multidisciplinary points of view (sociological, anthropological, social works, cultural studies, urban planning, architecture etc.) are very welcomed.

Deadline: May 29, 2011



Contact: Bogdan Nadolu, Editor, West University of Timisoara, Romania Sergiu Baltatescu, Editor-in-chief, University of Oradea, Romania E-mail: bnadolu@socio.uvt.ro, sociologieromaneasca@arsociologie.ro

Internet: http://www.arsociologie.ro/en/romaniansociology

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Journal of Comparative Research in Anthropology and Sociology

Place of publication: Bucharest, Romania

Type of publication: online

Published by/ edited by: Department of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest

Topics: The Journal invites contributions to its fourth issue: Empirical evidence. The forthcoming issue of Compaso aims to interrogate polished accounts of social research by focusing on the idea that disciplinary protocols frame empirical evidence, which is, thus, relational and socially embedded. Contributors are invited to reflect on the possibilities to bring experiences and data emerging in particular research situations to bear on our inquiries. Relevant questions to this discussion include, among others: How are research questions related to the empirical evidence that we mobilize to discuss them? How do questions shape experiences and data, and how are questions, in turn, shaped or created by our engagement in empirical pursuits?; What are we to make of the quantitative versus qualitative distinction? Is it, or not, a helpful tool to orient research? What hidden realities may be pursued empirically? What are the assumptions, limits, risks and hopes in the investigation of un-observables - such as implicit meanings, true motives, intimate experiences, latent variables, or shared social norms?; In particular, can we investigate rationality empirically? How can we observe rationality and its evil twin - irrationality? On the other hand, can we rely on an assumption of human rationality as an instrument for our empirical inquiries? After all, how can the rationality concept be useful in empirical research? What are the strategies to convert a collection of evidence assembled for one research question into empirical data for other inquiries? How can empirical evidence be "recycled"? Articles that engage in a comparative approach, connecting different concepts, materials, methods, situations, pieces of research or other social realities, are particularly welcome.

Deadline: May 30, 2011

Contact: Journal of Comparative Research in Anthropology and Sociology

E-mail: journal.compaso@gmail.com

Internet: http://compaso.ro/2011/04/09/call-for-papers-empirical-evidence/

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Special Issue of the Journal of Social Research & Policy on "Migration and Happiness"

Place of publication: Oradea, Romania Type of publication: print and online

Publication date: July 2011

Published by/ edited by: University of Oradea, Romania

Topics: JSR&P invites original paper submissions for a special issue on Migration and Happiness, to bring together papers exploring the intersection of two topics that feature very prominently in public discourse and debates. Happiness – long a topic of interdisciplinary scholarly efforts among social scientists – has now become a matter of significant interest for public policy-makers as well. Research on happiness (and the closely related topic of life satisfaction) is particularly innovative in its rejection of a core premise of modern economics: "revealed preferences". There is significant scope for revisiting a number of core issues in research on migration via consideration rooted in a happiness studies perspective. Examples of questions might include: Under what conditions do immigrants of various types end up achieving higher levels of happiness? In particular, does greater integration (however conceived) lead to greater happiness? Do certain types of government/policy approaches regarding immigrants lead to greater happiness, and do other approaches inhibit happiness? What are the happiness consequences of immigration for natives? Some researchers (as well as politicians and activists) worry particularly about the challenge to national identity believed to follow from immigration; does that challenge find expression in lower happiness among natives? What are the methodological challenges that arise in researching happiness in relation to migration, and how might those challenges be addressed? This list is merely indicative and other ways of making the connection are welcome.

Deadline: August 31, 2011

Contact: David Bartram E-mail: d.bartram@le.ac.uk

Internet: http://www.jsrp.ro/call-for-papers/migration-and-happiness

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Grants/Jobs/Internships

Lecturer in Social Policy

Institution/Organiser: London School of Economics and Political Science

Kind of support/work: job

Duration: The post is to commence on 1 October, 2011 or by mutual agreement.

Site: London, UK

Topics: Applications will be considered from outstanding candidates in the field of Social Policy (with priority given to the areas of disadvantage, families and children, housing/urban policy, crime and justice, the role of the voluntary sector in relation to social provision). The successful applicant will teach, publish research, supervise students and act as Academic Advisor to students at all levels.

Eligibility: The candidate will have (or will have submitted) a PhD in a relevant discipline by the post start date, as well as a proven record of research in top peer-reviewed journals, or evidence that such a record is being developed. In addition the successful candidate will have a teaching experience at undergraduate and/or postgraduate level, ability to teach general social policy courses at undergraduate and postgraduate level, evidence of good oral and written communication skills, ability to communicate effectively in English, evidence of the ability and willingness to work flexibly as part of a team in assisting the smooth running of the Department, including the running and development of teaching courses and programmes.

Deadline: May 9, 2011; to apply for this post please go to www.lse.ac.uk/JobsatLSE and select "Visit the ONLINE RECRUITMENT SYSTEM web page".

Contact: Professor T. Newburn

E-mail: t.newburn@lse.ac.uk; <u>hr.recruit.lec@lse.ac.uk</u> (reference LEC/10/20) **Internet:** http://www.caleidoscop.org/news/lecturer-in-social-policy-lse-london-uk

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Associate Professor of Sociology

Institution/Organiser: International Christian University

Kind of support/work: job

Site: Tokyo, Japan

Topics: International Christian University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, is pleased to announce an open search for a full-time faculty position in Sociology. The successful applicant is expected to teach sociological theory, social research methods, and introductory sociology courses in addition to graduate-level courses. Research specialization is open. This position involves responsibilities to teach these courses in English and to advise undergraduate students writing senior theses in Japanese.

Eligibility: Ph.D. in Sociology or its equivalent is required. Language of instruction: English and Japanese (capable of teaching courses in English and advising senior theses written in Japanese). Personal commitment to the University's Christian mission.

Deadline: May 10, 2011

Contact: Professor Kazuko Tanaka, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, International Christian

University, 3-10-2 Osawa, Mitaka-shi, Tokyo 181-8585, Japan

E-mail: sociology-search@icu.ac.jp

Internet: http://subsite.icu.ac.jp/qjq/KOBO/shakai1102e.html

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New Editor for International Sociology Review of Books (ISRB)

Institution/Organiser: International Sociology Review of Books (ISRB)

Kind of support/work: job

Duration: four years with a possibility of renewals of up to two years, from January, 2012

Topics: ISRB is an official journal of the International Sociological Association. The editor will need to set up office arrangements and assistance in accordance with needs and local practice, and manage the budget provided from local and/or ISA sources. It is expected that the editor's department will provide some substantial support, to include at least free office space and IT facilities. Editing ISRB is somewhat different from editing an ordinary journal. ISRB routine tasks entail: maintaining contact with publishers to order books for review; soliciting reviews of publications from appropriate reviewers; soliciting review essays; keeping records of deadlines set for each reviewer, and issuing reminders when necessary; consulting with members of the editorial board in regard to the suitability of reviews for publication; compiling suitably composed issues of the required length to be sent to the publisher (Sage); seeing to copy-editing before submitting the issue to Sage by its deadline; checking proofs; sending copies of reviews to the publishers of the books reviewed; updating the Editorial Board from time to time, ensuring regular turnover. The editor is also responsible for: attending the annual meetings of the Publications Committee; preparing for them a report on the ISRB's activities, presenting an annual budget based on financial records of income from the ISA and expenditures on secretarial assistance, office expenses, etc.

Eligibility: The editor does not have to be a native English speaker, but does need good English; reading knowledge of other languages obviously also helps.

Deadline: May 15, 2011; Expressions of interest should be submitted by e-mail to:

Contact: Jennifer Platt, ISA Vice-President for Publications and copied to the ISA Secretariat

E-mail: j.platt@sussex.ac.uk; isa@isa-sociology.org



Internet: http://www.isa-sociology.org/publication opportunity.php?t=219

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The International PhD Program: "Democracy, Knowledge, and Gender in a Transnational World" (IPP Transnational)

Institution/Organiser: Faculty of the Social Sciences at the Goethe University

Kind of support/work: doctoral program

Duration: 3 years

Site: Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Topics: The guiding theme of Program comprises three areas of research that in terms of content constitutes the profile of the IPP Transnational and within whose spectrum potential PhD projects will be situated. 1. Challenges and Innovations of Democracy. 2. Transformations of the gender. 3. Biosciences and society.

Eligibility: Graduates of sociology, political science and anthropology both from Germany and abroad can apply who have an above-average university degree (MA, first state examination, diploma, or the like) and a sound knowledge of English and whose dissertation project ties in with the IPP Transnational's research themes.

Deadline: May 15, 2011; Applications are to be sent to the head of the project Prof. Dr. Helma Lutz, Faculty of the Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Robert-Mayer-Straße 5, 60054 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Contact: Dr. Sybille Küster, IPC Social Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main

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Internet: http://www.gesellschaftswissenschaften.uni-frankfurt.de/index.pl/en/ipp transnational

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Professorship/Lectureship in Sociology: Gender, Family, Occupational Careers

Institution/Organiser: Sciences Po, Paris

Kind of support/work: job

Duration: The position will start on the 1st January 2012 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Site: Paris, France

Topics: The successful applicant will develop research projects interweaving two all least of the fields mentioned above. His/her track record in top international publications must also show interest in the life course perspective, the study of social inequalities, and the development of path-breaking methodologies (quantitative or/and qualitative). Experience in cross-national comparisons, and in cross-disciplinary research projects would be an advantage. He/she will join the Department of Sociology and the Centre for the Study of Social Change. The successful applicant will contribute to the international academic position of the institution, notably by acting as a lead participant in competitive research programmes. He7she will be fully involved in collective activities at the OSC: seminars, academic events, active participation in research networks, etc. He/she will be required to teach three courses per year (each of 24 hours duration), at undergraduate level and in the Doctoral Sociology Programme (one course at least in English and one course at least at each level).

Eligibility: The successful applicant will have an excellent research profile in sociology, and a record of publications in at least two of the following three fields: gender, family, occupational careers.

Deadline: May 31, 2011

Contact: Marie Ferrazzini, Marie Ferrazzini. Secrétaire générale de l'Observatoire sociologique du changement 27, rue Saint-Guillaume, 75337 Paris Cedex 07

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International double degree Master Programme Peace and Conflict Studies

Date: September 2011

Site: Marburg, Germany and Canterbury, UK

Organiser: Center for Conflict Studies, University of Marburg and School of Politics and International Relations,

University of Kent

Duration: The two year full-time programme encompasses 120 ECTS credits (240 Kent credits). The programme includes an internship of at least 10 weeks and a dissertation of 14,000 words. The dissertation is jointly supervised and assessed by staff at Kent and Marburg.

Topics: The international double award is offered by the School of Politics and International Relations at the University of Kent and the Center for Conflict Studies at the University of Marburg. Upon successful completion of the programme students will be awarded an MA degree in Peace and Conflict Studies from Kent University and an MA degree in Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of Marburg. The multidisciplinary programme features compulsory modules on theories of conflict, conflict resolution, conflict analysis and intergroup conflicts. Elective modules offer a wide range of topics including negotiation, mediation, diplomacy, development, gender, international political economy, foreign policy, human rights and terrorism. Students will spend the first year at Kent University and the second year at Marburg University where courses are taught in English. Thus, international students do not need to speak German to study in Marburg. Alternatively fluent German speakers can opt to spend the first year in Marburg where courses will be taught in German and spend the second year in Canterbury. The universities do not operate on a system of deadlines for applying to this programme.



Language: English (mandatory), German (optional)

Deadline: No application deadline

Contact: Center for Conflict Studies, University of Marburg, Ketzerbach 11, 30532 Marburg **Tel.:** +49 (0)6421 282 49 73 **Fax:** +49 (0)6421 282 45 28

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