Key dates:
15th April 2007:
Decisions on acceptance of abstracts by RN coordinators and RS conveners relayed to paper-givers and conference organizer in Glasgow notified of abstracts that have been accepted.

31st May 2007:
Earlybird conference registration closes

15th July 2007:
Final date for registration by presenters of papers

3th - 6th September 2007:
ESA Conference in Glasgow

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The Glasgow City Hall
Dear ESA members,

Last December 2006 we held in Paris a meeting of the ESA Council of National Associations at the initiative of the President, of the Committee for external relations of the ESA ExeC and of the chair of the ESA Council. We had proposed also to our RNs to come, but most of them did not react at all and others preferred to discuss separately from the National Associations.

Therefore we plan to devote to these issues at least part of the newly established Council of ESA RNs in Glasgow.

As I had already the chance to explain, it is my personal conviction and of the ESA ExeC as a whole that ESA has an important role to play in promoting the role of Sociology in Europe. For this purpose, our committee for external relations and myself are engaged in the Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE) and work together with representatives from all sciences in order to put on paper requests from the scientific community for the development of science in Europe. The aim is to put ESA on the position of expressing common views of the sociological community in Europe in relation to the core bodies of EU science policy, namely the ERC, the FP and the DG Research.

We have then proposed to all National Associations of Sociology in Europe to open a consultation, to put on the table their views about what is most needed for promoting Sociology, what are the perspectives of our discipline, how could we expand its presence within the European scientific community. Sixteen National Associations of Sociology have taken part to our meeting, together with Dimitri Corpakis, Head of the Unit L1 at the DG Research, as our special guest.

The meeting has been first of all a chance for informing our colleagues of the current situation of science policy instruments and the place of Sociology within them. Dagmar Kutsar on ESF and ESS, Carlo Ruzza on ERA and FP, myself on ERC and ISE, we have reported on that situation and on the efforts that ESA has set up for fulfilling the task. Corpakis has presented in details the FP7 and discussed with us the means for a greater visibility of Sociology: in particular, he stressed the importance of the peer review panels and encouraged us to play a role by proposing lists of evaluators. He also stressed the importance of working in close relation with our representatives in the ERC (M. Castells and H. Novotny), of approaching members of the FP committee at the national level, of activating a consultation of our scientific community for defining our priorities for the future.

Then, we had a general discussion on the needs of sociology, with special focus on issues such as criteria applied in the EU science policy, training programmes, research infrastructures and peer review panels. We raised questions about compatibility of criteria such as “competitiveness” with sociological research, or about “excellence”: is it in the social sciences as in the hard sciences? Limitations due to a lack of available data have also been brought in: we have more data at the national level than at the European one and particularly qualitative data; we actually need to find new ways of storing qualitative knowledge, exchanging them without loosing their context. It is relevant to Sociology that more fundamental research is funded: we face a situation where such thing as a “European society” is still largely a fiction and many Europeans still feel excluded from Europe-all issues that require fundamental research.

In the end, we decided about actions in order to advance on all these points: NA will send to ESA lists of possible evaluators from their countries, the ESA RN on Qualitative Methods will set up a research project about storing qualitative data, some participants will work on the idea of an infrastructure devoted to the exchange among sociology researchers (a sort of Center for Advanced Study), others have engaged in studying a questionnaire to circulate among all members of each NA in order to broaden the consultation process.

At the 8th ESA Conference in Glasgow, the meeting of the ESA Council for National Associations will resume this debate and hopefully advance toward building up common views; I have already invited Helga Novotny to participate and hope she shall be able to come.

Yours,

Giovanna Procacci

List of National Associations having participated to the ESA meeting: Austria, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Swiss

President's message

The Work of ESA in promoting Sociology in Europe

On the following pages you will find detailed information about the events at the 8th Conference of the ESA. You can read about the full program, the social events, the research networks and about booking and registration.

## Full Programme

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Social Events Programme

Drinks at the Royal Concert Hall (Monday 3rd September):
Glasgow's Royal Concert Hall is the venue for the conference's opening plenary. A post-plenary drinks reception will be hosted at the Royal Concert Hall allowing delegates the opportunity to network and socialise.

Civic Reception - Glasgow Science Centre (Tuesday 4th September):
Glasgow’s City Council will be hosting a Civic reception on the second evening of the conference at the Glasgow Science Centre.

Located on the banks of the River Clyde opposite the SECC, Glasgow Science Centre offers a variety of unusual and exhilarating venue experiences amidst the height of contemporary cool. Officially branded a 5-star venue by VisitScotland, hospitality is provided within 3 iconic buildings.

The reception will take place within the main Science Mall which houses hundreds of interactive science exhibits and puzzles throughout four open plan floors.

Ceilidh (Wednesday 6th September):
A ceilidh will be held for up to 300 delegates at The People's Palace and Winter Gardens on the third evening of the conference. Requiring participants (rather than observers) ceilidhs are set Scottish dances to traditional live Scottish music, but don't be alarmed, there will be plenty of help for beginners (and a few drinks to loosen you up).

In addition to the dancing there will be an opportunity to view The People's Palace which is Glasgow's social history containing the story of the people and city of Glasgow from 1750 to the present. You can see paintings, prints and photographs displayed alongside a wealth of historic artefacts, film and computer interactives.

Walking & Bus Tours (daily):
Throughout the conference walking and bus tours will be book-able during early evenings. The bus tours will give a guided tour of the Glasgow's most famous landmarks, while the walking tours will focus on more sociological aspects of Glasgow's city centre.

Additional details about the programme including more information about plenary speakers, information given by Research Networks can be found at the conference home page:

http://www.esa8thconference.com/programmeinfo/index.php
Conference-Information for Research Networks

Sociology in Europe:
In the Glasgow Conference there will be the first meeting of a new consultation body, the Research Network Council at 2.00-3.30pm on Monday 3 September. This is an initiative by Giovanna Procacci, the President, and the ESA executive Committee. As the RN:s are central in the life of the Association, it was considered important to have a regular forum not only with National Associations, but also with RN:s. The Executive and the RN:s will there discuss together issues of current concern within ESA. The aim is to formalise this new body of consultation in the General Assembly that will take place during the conference.

The purpose of RN:s Council is to improve communications between the ESA, so that members can raise issues with the Executive, and the Executive has an opportunity to consult RN:s representatives. We wish that all RN:s send a representative to the meeting in order to address issues relevant to their RN. The President, Giovanna Procacci, and the members of the Executive will also endeavour to make this a forum where RN:s can also enter the debate that ESA has launched over sociology’s needs and perspectives within European science policy. We want to promote sociology and social sciences in the context of the European science policy and ESA is ready to play a role in building up common views among the scientific community of sociology in Europe. It will be interesting to have these discussions in Glasgow, a city with a long industrial history and diversity of inhabitants and an important role in the history of social sciences.

Conference Abstracts:
The ESA Glasgow Conference organising committee has received 1800 abstracts by the submission deadline. Initially there were some worries, because there were few early abstracts. However, on the day of the deadline the organisers received 1023 abstracts. The RN:s coordinators have received the abstracts as well. We are looking forward to a successful conference in a city that is interesting for sociologists in many ways both historically and in the present.

The selection of accepted abstracts is made by RN:s. In the past there has been some discussion about the variable quality of papers in the ESA conferences. Whilst we need to have beginners as well as more experienced paper presenters, it is nevertheless desirable that the paper sessions are interesting and successful. If, for example, younger researchers are not quite ready yet to present in the RN sessions, they could be encouraged to present their research as a poster instead. Of course rejection of abstracts is also one option.

This point is made because some complaints have been received in previous conferences. We need to be as inclusive as possible, but we also need to have a good conference. Whilst it is important to make this point, it is also important to foster inclusion and to promote younger scholars in positive ways. Here the RN:s are in a central strategic position.

Research Networks:
As stated above, the Executive considers that the RN:s have an important role in the organisation of the ESA. They form the backbone of the whole organisation. Therefore it is important that we have up-to-date information about them. Information about RN:s can be found in the ESA website. However, this information can be rather scant and it is not always up-to-date. Problems have been encountered when there has been a change of coordinators, and no information has been received.

In order to improve the possibilities of communication between the executive and RN:s and between RN:s too - we would like you send to Tuula Gordon (Tuula.Gordon@Helsinki.Fi) information confirming the following:
- The chair (co-coordinator or convener) of the RN
- The deputy chair (or names of co-convenors) of the RN
- Membership or email list (at least the central core)

Having this information helps us to communicate in a more effective way.

Looking forward to a successful conference in Glasgow!

Tuula Gordon,
Vice President of Research Networks

On behalf of the Executive and the RN:s Committee - Sara Arber (UK), Sokratis Konioridos (Greece) and Valerj Mansurov (Russia)

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Registration deadline and fees

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*Western* includes delegates from Western Europe, North America, Australia and Japan.

*Eastern* includes delegates from Eastern Europe, Asia (except Japan), South America and Africa.

Fees are in Sterling.

Final date for registration for presenters of papers (otherwise paper will be withdrawn from the conference programme) = 15 July 2007

Final date for withdrawal of registration is August 1st 2007, after which there will be no refunds.
# ESA Research Networks & Coordinators

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To date, the ESA Executive Committee has approved the following Research Networks.

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On the ESA webpage you can find more information on Research Networks:

* Guidelines for Research Networks
  More info: http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networksreports05.doc

* What Research Networks are for

* How to establish a Research Network
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ISA conference
Globalisation, Conflict and the Experience of Localities
Rome, Italy
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For more information, please visit the following website:
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Industrial Relations in Europe
The Theory and History of Industrial Relations
Athens, Greek,
July, 26th-28th, 2007
Details of the conference and streams can be found at:

Marie Curie Conference Series 2004 - 2008
Labour Migration and the Politics of Prevention - International Politics of Stabilising Social Fabrics
Florence, Italy,
September, 13th-16th, 2007
The Berlin Institute for Comparative Social Research (Berliner Institut für Vergleichende Sozialforschung e.V. BIVS) invites applications for the upcoming tenth event in the series on "Labour Migration and the Politics of Prevention - International Politics of Stabilising Social Fabrics", taking place in Florence (Italy) from 13 - 16th September 2007.
Throughout the conference, workshops and seminars on global labour migration trends and policies, international agents of organising labour supply, urban and rural labour migration, the notions of brain drain and brain gain and the regulation of emigration of work force will be held. Applications for the conference in Florence will be accepted until 16th June 2007.
There are Marie-Curie grants available for young and experienced researchers from EU Member States and Third Countries for each conference, covering travel and living allowances. Please send your full proposal by electronic mail to:
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2007 Luxembourg Income Study Introductory Workshop
June 24th to June 30th, 2007
The Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) Summer Workshop is a one-week workshop designed to introduce researchers in the social sciences to comparative research in income distribution, employment and social policy using the LIS database. We welcome applications from researchers with varying levels of knowledge and experience.
The Luxembourg Income Study has made comparable over 160 large microdata sets that contain comprehensive measures of income, employment and household characteristics for 30 industrialized countries (Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States).
The language of instruction is English. By the end of the workshop, attendees will be fully trained to use the database independently. Workshop faculty includes the LIS directors, Janet Gornick and Markus Jäntti, the LIS staff and guest lecturers. In addition, the winner of the annual Aldi Hagenauers Memorial Award will present his/her paper (see Aldi Hagenauers Memorial Award page: http://www.lisproject.org/workshop/aldiaward.htm).
The workshop format includes a mixture of lectures on comparative research, laboratory sessions and individual one-on-one advisory sessions. Attendees will also be introduced to the new Luxembourg Wealth Study (http://www.lisproject.org/lws.htm).
Tuition of €1,400 covers instructional materials, single-occupancy accommodations, and full board.
Transportation to and from Luxembourg is the responsibility of the student.
The 2007 workshop will be held from June 24 to June 30, 2007 (with departure on July 1st).
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Associate Professor of Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences

Application deadline is March 10, 2007. The successful candidate should be qualified in teaching and research in the area of quantitative methods in the social sciences and in at least one research field of political science, psychology, or sociology.

The professor is expected to support the English-taught graduate program at the Center for Doctoral Studies in the Social and Behavioral Sciences (CDSS) of the Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences. This new associate professorship aims to promote the advancement of exceptionally qualified young scientists.

For further information on this job opportunity see: http://cdss.uni-mannheim.de/202.html

PhD program in economic sociology and political economy
The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies and the University of Cologne will start a new joint PhD program in economic sociology and political economy this fall.

Up to seven doctoral students will be accepted into the program. Candidates must hold a Diplom or a Masters degree with honours in political science, sociology, organization studies or related fields. Fellowships will start on October 1, 2007. Working languages at the Research School are English and German. Doctoral fellows will participate in a graduate school program including courses and summer school sessions.

The deadline for applications is March 15, 2007.

Program details, online application form and more: http://imprs.mpifg.de
Flyer: http://imprs.mpifg.de/downloads/IMPRS_Flyer_Jan07.pdf

Doctoral Program in Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Mannheim
The Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences (CDSS) offers a three-year doctoral program for students of political science, psychology, and sociology. Its mission is to train young academics according to best international practice with a strong focus on excellence in research.

The CDSS is part of the Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences (GESS) founded in 2006. The graduate school provides doctoral training in empirical and quantitative methods and their application to business, economics, and the social sciences. It is funded by the Initiative of Excellence, an initiative by the German federal and state governments to promote top-level research in Germany. This financial support is a clear mark of confidence in the graduate school programs as a pioneering doctoral training concept in Germany.

CDSS doctoral students find a variety of special courses in all three areas (political science, psychology, and sociology) which are taught by an internationally renowned social science faculty. The first year is primarily dedicated to course work. In the first semester, three core courses provide a basic overview on the disciplinary research fields, major methods, and social science methodology. In the second and third year, doctoral students work mainly on their thesis, about which they report in the CDSS workshop. They also participate in the research colloquium of their discipline. After three years students submit and defend their thesis and are awarded the doctoral degree of the Faculty of Social Sciences.

The University of Mannheim provides an excellent research environment. The Faculty of Social Sciences is renowned for its quantitative-analytical orientation. It has an excellent international reputation. Rankings and awards reflect the high international prestige enjoyed by the faculty. Closely connected to the Faculty of Social Sciences are a variety of leading European research institutes such as the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), the Center for European Economic Research (ZEW), the Centre for Survey Research and Methodology (ZUMA) and the Central Institute of Mental Health (ZI).

Admission takes place on an annual basis for the program starting in September.

Deadline for application is April 15th, 2007. Broad financial support for doctoral students is provided.

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