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The 8th Conference of the European Sociological Association

Conflict, Citizenship and Civil Society

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Opening Plenary at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

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1,800 abstracts have been accepted and 1,500 delegates have preregistered already as this Newsletter is being prepared. See the full program in the next pages.

All about the ESA-Elections

The election of the new President of the ESA and of the new Executive Committee will take place at the General Assembly meeting in Glasgow. See a full list of candidates in this issue. If you are not able to attend the conference, you can vote in advance by sending in the ballot which is included with the mailed paper version of this issue.

President's message

Giovanna Procacci takes a look back at her work with the Executive Committee

Dear ESA members,

While the 8th ESA Conference in Glasgow is under preparation and my term of presidency is approaching an end, I would like to share with you some of my views over the work I have been doing together with the Executive Committee during 2005-2007.

We have been through a period of important changes in the Association. We had to hire our own secretary, given the end of secretarial support from the French CNRS. This has been the occasion for reshaping the work of **our office in Paris**, also thanks to a bookkeeper who is now working together with our secretary and Treasurer. We are also considering the need for a more active website: some changes in this direction will be already realized in the next months, and hopefully the next Executive Committee will go further on this task.

A further relevant change has occurred in our journal **European Societies** with the arrival of a new General Editor, Prof. John Scott from Essex University, the partial renewal of the Editorial Board under the chair of Carlo Ruzza, and the conclusion of a **new contract with Routledge** till 2016. The main points of the new contract are the increase of our journal from four to five issues per year at the same price for at least two more years, and the possibility of downloading a paperback edition of books in our book-series "Studies on European Societies". It is very important that all our members and RNs are aware of such extensions in our publications and consider submitting articles to the Journal and book-proposals to the book-series.

We have also defined a **new structure for membership fees**,

rationalizing their functioning over two calendar years and reducing their amount, despite increased number of issues of the Journal.

Decreasing fees has been part of a broader **strategy of rebalancing income and expenditures in the Association**, which has also meant more investments in activities for doctoral and post-doctoral researchers (a longer Student Workshop, a new ESA Summer School for years between two conferences, the ESA Prize for young sociologists-under the supervision of a newly established **Postgraduate Research Committee**) and for the RNs (there is no limit any longer to the number of ESA-grants in the intermediate year between two Conferences, up to 15 RNs have been funded in 2006).

Our action has been guided by two convictions. First of all, the conviction that RNs need to be more involved in the activities and choices of the Association; for this, we have created a new consultation body, the **ESA RNs Council**, where the Executive and representatives of all RNs will have a chance to directly exchange their views. I look forward to its first meeting at Glasgow. I do believe that we need to improve communications with the RNs. This is why the RNs will be asked to bring to the Council a page with main information for our office records (see p.12). I have also tried to involve the RNs in our consultation strategies for enhancing the role of ESA as representative of the scientific community of sociologists in Europe. I must say that so far RNs have not reacted very actively, hopefully the ESA RNs Council will encourage them to get more involved, otherwise only a few most active RNs will dominate.

Secondly, my effort has been to consolidate the presence of ESA at the European level. It seems to me self-evident that ESA can offer to sociologists from all European countries a chance to take part in a debate about what is **European Sociology**, within a broader discussion about EU policy for sciences. Our task is to help constructing common views about needs and priorities for the development of Sociology in Europe. ESA is part of the Initiative for Science in Europe, which was at the origin of the European Research Council, and we have strengthened our link with the social sciences section of ESF. We have opened a process of consultation with all European national associations of sociology (meeting Dec. 2006). If we are able to get also our RNs to participate in such consultation, we can establish ESA as a platform where European Sociology is acting for its own purposes.

This Executive has put lots of energies and invested money into this kind of activities, under the supervision of the newly established **External Relations Committee**. I strongly hope that the next President and Executive will continue to consolidate what is by now a new field of action for ESA. This activity ought to become, at least in my view, the core of ESA mission within our scientific community.

We shall have several opportunities to debate all these issues in Glasgow.

With my best wishes to all of you for a good conference,

Yours,

Giovanna Procacci

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The 8th Conference of the European Sociological Association

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

The programme below shows

* RS/RN Sessions organised by Research Streams and Research Networks

* Poster sessions on 4th and 5th September from 11.00am-4.00pm

Monday, 3rd September:

9.00 - 12.30	ESA Executive Committee Meeting
10.00 - 18.00	Registration
14.00 - 15.30	Session: What is happening to sociology students after graduation?
14.00 - 15.30	Research Networks Council Meeting
16.00 - 18.00	Opening Plenary – Donatella della Porta
18.00 - 19.00	Post Plenary drinks
21.00 - 22.00	Walking Tour 1

Tuesday, 4th September:

9.00 - 11.00	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 - 13.00	Semi Plenaries 1, 2 & 3
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 15.30	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
15.30 - 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 - 17.30	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
17.30 - 19.00	Research Streams/ Research Networks Business Meeting / National Association Meeting
19.30 - 21.00	Civic Reception at Glasgow Science Centre

Wednesday, 5th September:

9.00 - 11.00	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 - 13.00	Semi Plenaries 4, 5 & 6
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 15.30	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
15.30 - 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 - 17.30	Meet the Authors / Sociology and its Public Faces
17.30 - 18.00	Break
18.00 - 19.30	ESA General Assembly
20.00 - 22.00	Ceilidh at People's Palace/ Walking Tour 2

Thursday, 6th September:

9.00 - 10.30	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 12.30	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 15.00	Research Streams/ Research Networks Paper Sessions
15.00 - 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 - 17.30	Closing Plenaries – Margaret Archer & Nicos Mouzelis

Abstracts for Plenaries**Opening Plenary****Monday, 3rd September, 16.00-18.00 / Glasgow Royal Concert Hall****Donatella della Porta*****Conflict, citizenship and civil society: How emerging social conflicts challenge social science approaches***

The lecture shall start with a discussion of the concept of "civil society" and similar ones developed in different subdisciplines. First, I shall locate the concept of civil society (as opposed to the state and the market) within normative theory of Non-Governmental Organizations (as opposed to nation-states) in international relations, and of social movements (as opposed to party and interest groups) in political sociology and comparative politics. Second, I shall make a plea for going beyond the recognition of the specific origins and location of these concepts and try to bridge them discursively in order to overcome some limitations in their actual use. With respect to the field of social movement studies, I will stress that the risk of self-referentiality and parochialism have their roots, in part, from the very success of the field (with a growing number of journals, chairs and the like) but also from internal cleavages between disciplinary, methodological and national approaches.

In a second part, departing from some results from empirical research on recent conflicts, I shall stress how their very nature poses a strong demand for cross-fertilization among different approaches. In particular, I shall suggest that the new wave of conflict that became visible with the protest against the WTO millennium round in Seattle in 1999 has shaken some dominant images of movements as institutionalized collective actors.

These dominant images were reproduced thanks to the tendency in social movement research to conceptualize on the basis of specific historical manifestations of the phenomenon, and then to adapt

them to the specific instances of the phenomenon to be studied as well as the methods for studying them. A challenge to those images comes from such characteristics of the new conflicts as; a cross-issue framing of "old" social questions and "new" differential rights; the trans-nationalization of the movement's organizational structures; the emergence of a global discourse and the targeting of supranational institutions; the convergence of different types of actors (social movement organizations, unions, parties, NGOs) in networks and campaigns and the presence of multiple and "tolerant" identities. In concluding this part of the lecture, I shall suggest that these elements - far from making old sociological categories useless - actually stimulate an examination of the emerging nature of social movements as actors capable of producing resources in-action.

Finally, I shall discuss how these conflicts reflect upon conceptualizations of citizenship. While bringing social rights back in, they challenge, however, the conception of national borders, that had helped define the boundaries for the recognition of those rights. At the same time, the language of rights is also much more in evidence, linking social, civic and political universal rights to the specific concerns of new constituencies.

In conclusion, I will express my hope that some developments in the social sciences might facilitate our capacity to understand the new conflicts through a cross-fertilization of different theories and methods. Among the developments that could facilitate a "sound eclecticism", I will cite, in particular, the emergence of a new generation of scholars that embody transnational backgrounds and I will focus on the impact on a variety of disciplines and sub-disciplines; from sociology to political science; from anthropology to geography and from social theory to history.

Closing Plenaries / Thursday, 6th September, 15.30-17.30 Barony Hall, University of Scrathclyde

Nicos Mouzelis

Civil Society and Citizenship in early and late Modernity

a) From a sociological point of view, modernity can be regarded as the type of social organization that became dominant in Europe after the English industrial and the French revolution.. It entailed the decline of segmental localism and the large-scale mobilisation/inclusion of the population into the "imaginary community" of the nation state. This led to the concentration of not only the means of production but also the means of domination and persuasion on the national centre; as well as to the top-down differentiation of institutional spheres (economic, political, social, cultural), each portraying (at least potentially) its own values, logic and historical trajectory.

b) In late (globalised) modernity we see similar processes occurring on a planetary level. An attempt will be made to see how civil society and citizenship rights are linked to the major features of early and late modernity.

Margaret S. Archer

From High Modernity to Nascent Globalisation: The New Reflexive Imperative and Transformations of Civil Society

Reflexivity - the regular exercise of the mental ability shared by all normal people, to consider themselves in relation to their (social) contexts and vice versa - is a prerequisite for all forms of social life. Even in traditional societies, no culture was so consistent in its composition and no structure was so coherent in its organisation to constitute a relatively enduring form of life without constant resort to the reflexively governed action of its members: to adopt social expectations as their own, to improvise through unscripted contingencies and to elaborate upon tradition itself to cover novel eventualities, occurrent even in morphostatic social formations. Nevertheless, reflexivity was limited both in extent and in kind by 'contextual continuity'.

The progressive effect of modernity, as morphogenesis began its unsynchronised emergence in structure and culture, was one that entailed increased reflexivity: a growth in its scope (the proportion of those practising it intensively) and its reach (the range of issues addressed reflexively).

However, the heterogeneous impact of 'contextual discontinuity' limited the reflexive response to minorities (as in the great Age of Ideology), its slowness enabled new forms of routinisation to become entrenched (the urban working class community), and its results were dependent upon the collective mobilisation of sectional interests. In sum, these reflexive responses were bound to the lineaments of modernity because they were exclusively concerned with incorporation into existing political and civil society through seeking its institutional elaboration.

Within Europe, nascent globalisation spells the generalisation of 'contextual discontinuity' to all. This results from the tendential effect of morphogenesis, for variety to stimulate yet greater variety, when untrammelled by counter-balancing morphostatic processes - because it reshapes the situations confronted by all. Hence, for the first time in human history, the reflexive imperative applies to all. As decisive structures become located trans-nationally and the cultural system extends a novel situational logic of opportunity, what is to be done and what represents the good life has to be answered by everyone. Reflexively, the (enlarging) European population confronts 'contextual discontinuity' and must deliberate about matching their skills and concerns to new but complementary outlets, to establish their own non-traditional *modi vivendi*.

However, modes of reflexivity result from a combination of 'social context + personal concerns', as do their consequences. Structurally induced 'contextual discontinuity' and the cultural 'logic of opportunity' may fuel reflexive deliberations based upon instrumental rationality for many, but, equally, they foster meta-reflexive Wertrational concerns, responsible not only for European social movements but also for a transformed civil society in which the 'Third Sector' becomes a serious player. Individual life worlds are no longer amenable to orchestration by 'habitus', but neither is public life at the capricious mercy of individualised serial self-reinvention.

Since reflexivity is held to mediate between structure and agency, its own transformation is re-defining and re-structuring conflict, citizenship and civil society - as the novel reflexive responses to the novelty of 'morphogenesis unbound'.

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Programme for the Semi-Plenaries

Semi-Plenaries 1, 2 and 3:

Tuesday 4th September, 11.30-1.00pm

1. From Scottish Enlightenment to Civil Society Today:

Room K 3.25, University of Strathclyde

* David McCrone - University of Edinburgh, Scotland
Recovering Civil Society: Does sociology need it?

* Robin Wagner-Pacifici - Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania, USA
From Moral Sentiments to Civic Engagement: Sociological Analysis as Responsible Spectatorship

2. Democratization, Urban Space and Conflict:

Carnegie Lecture Theatre C001, Glasgow Caledonian University

* Consuelo Corradi - Lumsa University, Rome, Italy
Between conflict and violence: Is classical sociological theory capable of understanding violence in modernity?

* Janusz Mucha - AGH University, Cracow, Poland
Democratization in central and eastern Europe and the changing nature of minority issues

3. Gender and Citizenship:

Barony Hall, University of Strathclyde

* Ruth Lister - Loughborough University, England
Citizenship, Civil Society and Conflict: A Gendered Perspective

* Arnlaug Leira - University of Oslo, Norway
Caring and social citizenship: Gender matters

Semi-Plenaries 4, 5 and 6:

Wednesday 5th September, 11.30-1.00pm

4. Tolerance, Extremism and Conflicts:

Room K 3.25, University of Strathclyde

* Anne-Sophie Lamine - University of Strasbourg, France
Religious Plurality and Conflicts in the Public Sphere

* Andrej Zdravomyslov - Institute of Sociology of the Russian Academy of Science, Moscow, Russia
Priorities in Conflicts: Hierarchies within European Space

5. Migration and Citizenship:

Carnegie Lecture Theatre C001, Glasgow Caledonian University

* Thomas Faist - University of Bielefeld, Germany
Dual Citizenship in Europe: Beyond Nationhood, Towards New Dichotomies

* Maria Baganha - University of Coimbra, Portugal
The modes of incorporation of immigrants and citizenship rights

6. Social Movements, Identities and Social Institutions:

Barony Hall, University of Strathclyde

* Mario Diani - University of Trento, Italy
Towards movement societies? A social network perspective

* David Silverman - Goldsmiths College, University of London, England
Putting society together: What qualitative research can and cannot say about identities and social institutions

Conference-Registration

The registration desk will open at 8am on Monday the 3rd of September and will remain open for the length of the conference.

It will be located at Glasgow Caledonian University in the Hamish Wood Building, directly opposite the main University gates, in the refectory (to the left as you walk in the main doors).

There will be a lot of signage to ensure everyone knows where they are going. There will be maps on the ESA's conference website prior to the conference to help people find their way on the conference site

Presentation of Research Streams

Twenty Research streams will be represented at the ESA conference in Glasgow in September 2007. The groups are the following:

- RS1 - Sociology of Celebration
- RS2 - Reassessing Class in Contemporary Sociology
- RS3 - Disability, Citizenship and Uncivil Society
- RS4 - Enlargement of the European Union
- RS5 - Evolution and Sociology
- RS6 - Global Governance
- RS7 - Historical Sociology
- RS8 - Europe and Immigration
- RS9 - Rethinking the Intergenerational transmission of inequalities
- RS10 - Legal Plurism in Europe: Common Regulations and Local Practices
- RS11 - Memory, Culture and Conflict
- RS12 - Contemporary Methods in Migration Research
- RS13 - Minority Status and ambivalent identities in plural societies
- RS14 - Resisting Neoliberalism
- RS15 - Public sociology and commitment in action
- RS16 - Sociology of Racism
- RS17 - Sociology of Religions
- RS18 - Russia in a Changing World: The Dynamics and Quality of Citizenship and Civil Society
- RS19 - Urban Sociology and Cities
- RS20 - Work and Organisation



Pollok House, Pollok Country Park

Getting to Glasgow / Local Transportation

Air

Glasgow is served by two airports; Glasgow Airport and Prestwick Airport.

Glasgow Airport is situated approximately 9 miles to the west of the City Centre. Taxis take around 20 minutes (longer during rush hours) from the airport to the city centre. There is also a cheap and frequent bus service which will take you into Buchanan Street Bus Station, only 200 metres from Glasgow Caledonian University.

Prestwick Airport is located 30 miles to the south-west of Glasgow close to the town of Ayr. Although further away it has a good train link with the city centre (approximately 40mins train journey, trains leave every 30 minutes), and since Prestwick is served by several of the low cost carriers it may be worth considering.

Rail

Glasgow has well established rail links with the whole of the United Kingdom and is served by a regular service from London and the West coast.

Glasgow Central Station is the main station for arrival from stations throughout southern Scotland and England.

A bus service operates from Gordon Street at the front of the station, to Glasgow Queen Street Station and Buchanan Bus Station.

Glasgow Queen Street Station is the main station for trains arriving from/via Edinburgh and the north. It is approximately a 10 minute walk from both Glasgow Caledonian University and Strathclyde University.

Free Local Transportation

All delegates will be provided with a Free Transport Pass that is included in the cost of the registration fee. This pass will give access to public transport in Glasgow and the Strathclyde area for the term of the conference (covering the dates of Sunday the 2nd until Thursday the 6th). This includes bus, train, underground and ferry services.

The pass will be available to delegates at the conference when registering and at both Glasgow International Airport and Prestwick Airport on Sunday the 2nd and Monday the 3rd of September (locations to be advised) for those coming by air. The pass covers the train journey from Prestwick Airport to Glasgow city centre and from Glasgow Airport via bus to Glasgow city centre.

Full details will be given to registered delegates prior to the conference.

Additional details can be found at the ESA-Conference homepage:
<http://www.esa8thconference.com/programmeinfo/index.php>

ESA-Conference - Frequently Asked Questions

The advice that follows addresses the questions about the conference that are most frequently asked by potential delegates.

If you have a question about the conference the chances are that this guide will be able to provide the answer.

Conference Fee Payments

The conference fee can be paid via the following methods:

Online:

The online application can be used to apply using a credit or debit card only

Via Post/ Fax:

The application can be printed from the website and sent to us via post or fax and paid via cheque or postal order. If you wish to pay via purchase order please fax your application to us and an invoice will be sent to you or your institution - please mark clearly on your form indicating where and who this should be sent to.

Payment should be made out to Glasgow Caledonian University.

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot provide bank details for bank transfer

Accommodation

Conference payments DO NOT include accommodation. For accommodation bookings please visit the Accommodation section of our website, which is run by the Glasgow Convention Bureau. All hotels on the website are chosen for their close proximity to the conference venues (Caledonian and Strathclyde Universities).

If you have any queries regarding accommodation please contact the Glasgow Convention Bureau who deal with all conference accommodation.

ESA Membership Numbers

If you are intending to apply for an ESA fee category please have your ESA membership number available BEFORE you apply to the conference.

If you do not have your membership number, please contact the ESA secretary Gisele Tchinda at gisele.tchinda-esa@pouchet.cnrs.fr to request it. Please note that if your current membership number ends in 05 then you will need to renew your membership again this year before the conference.



PLEASE NOTE: if you apply for an ESA membership category fee without entering a valid membership number (which is checked from an ESA membership list) then your application will be invalid and your fee returned to you.

Membership of Other Sociological Associations

Only members of the ESA, holding a valid ESA membership number may apply for ESA fee categories. Members of any other associations will not be granted these rates.

Deadlines and Dates

The following deadlines and dates will be strictly adhered to by the conference office:

31 May 2007 Early-bird conference registration closes. All payments must be made on or prior to this date for this fee to be valid.

15 July 2007 Final date for registration by presenters of papers. Should those chosen to present a paper not register by this date they will be immediately withdrawn from the conference programme

August 1st 2007 Final date for withdrawal of registration after which there will be no refunds. We regret that we will be unable to provide any refunds after this date.

Sponsorship/ Grants/ Fee Waivers

With the exception of some student bursaries and in the case of 'invited' speakers neither the European Sociological Association nor the Universities involved in organising the conference have funds to support travel to and from the conference or to issue registration fee waivers or to subsidise in any way, delegates who will be attending or presenting papers at the 8th ESA conference in Glasgow.

Confirmation of Abstract Success

An email will be sent to all successful candidates to indicate that their abstract/poster or contributed paper has been accepted into the conference programme by the appropriate Co-ordinators of Research Networks or Conveners of Research Streams. If you have any queries regarding your abstract please contact the Co-ordinator of your Research Network or the Convener for your Research Stream (contact details for all Co-ordinators and each Conveners are available on the website)

PLEASE NOTE: Whilst we can issue presenters with formal notes indicating that their abstracts have been accepted and that we are looking forward to meeting with them at the conference in September, formal letters of 'invitation' are not normally available to anyone other than Plenary or Semi-Plenary speakers.

Abstracts/ Posters

The deadline for abstracts and posters was the 2nd of March and we cannot accept any further submissions for either of these categories. For those who have not been accepted by their chosen network or stream we are unable to transfer you to another network or stream at this date.

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Conference-Workshops

ESA PhD Workshop/Course Conflict, Citizenship and Civil Society

ESA Conference, Caledonian University, Glasgow, September 1-3, 2007

The ESA PhD Workshop will last from Saturday Sept.1st to Monday Sept 3 at 13.00. Every morning will be devoted to two presentations by experienced scholars (see program below). The two afternoons of Saturday and Sunday, from 14:30 to 18:30, will be devoted to the presentation of papers by PhD students (half an hour each, including discussion time).

We expect every one of the 30 PhD participants to present her/his PhD project. The group will be split into two subgroups; the invited scholars will be present in the audience.

Catherine Delcroix for the ESA PhD Workshop Organizing Committee

September 1st (9h30-13h)

1° What makes a good citizen? Different concepts of citizenship across Europe and their relationship to civil society.

By Claire Wallace (9h30-11h)

The course is based upon surveys of the whole of Europe and looks at different concepts of citizenship (normative citizenship, political citizenship, participation in civil society) on a comparative basis. It considers people in different countries, define citizenship and participation and if these can be considered the basis of citizenship. It will consider the reasons for differences across Europe in the development of civil society and in the political trajectories of different countries, comparing East and West, North and South Europe.

Secondly the lecture looks critically at sources of information about citizenship in different European contexts and asks: what are the best ways of assessing this question.

2° Comparing Sociological and Non-sociological Conceptualisations of Social Capital.

By Sokratis Koniordos (11h30-13h)

In a broad and non-essentialist sense social capital (SC) means that the relations humans enter into are a potential source of utility and benefit for them. However, the concept of SC is perceived in divergent ways with a plurality of approaches and empirical operationalizations. Unfortunately, there is little discussion among dissenting viewpoints. The purpose of my presentation is to present some sociological perceptions of social capital (primarily deriving from Pierre Bourdieu, James S. Coleman and Alejandro Portes), and some from the field of political science (foremostly drawing from Robert D. Putnam and Francis Fukuyama). The idea is to compare/evaluate these in terms of

explanatory power, coherence, empirical adequacy, and comprehensiveness

September 2nd (9h30-13h)

1° Religious plurality and conflicts in the public sphere.

By Anne-Sophie Lamine (9h30-11h)

This conference will deal with new conflicts, which recently appeared in Europe. Among these conflicts are the "headscarf affairs", antisemitic or islamophobic attacks, anti-european racism, anti-cult reactions, as well as the strong debate about the caricatures or blasphemy. These topics are very much promoted through the media. Many of these conflicts clearly have a religious component. In parallel, we also observe new ways of expressing individual and collective identities, which use the religious repertoires and are often considered as obstacles to citizenship and common living. These conflicts are linked to the visibility of religious groups in public sphere and to the religious plurality (among and within groups). They require a better understanding on how they are related to religious identities, both at individual, group, local or national level.

This conflictuality is therefore quite complex as it goes beyond the relation between religion and public sphere, as well as interpretative conflicts among religious groups. It is also present within intergroup or interpersonal relations when the cultural difference is interpreted as mainly religious. It is related to ethnic boundaries, claims of recognition and competing memories. By analysing empirical evidences of this conflictuality we will question sociological approaches of identities, group belonging and beliefs which often consider them as stronger than they really are. We will also discuss sociological theories about conflicts which either consider it as a threat for

desintegration or reversely consider it as a way of socialisation.

2° The citizenship/s debate and youth in Europe.

By Tommi Hoikkala (11h30-13h)

The lecture looks at a series of concepts related to the theme of young active citizenships. The aim is to achieve some conceptual clarification for the discourse space of "citizenship" which is at its best and at its worst like a Finnish lake without shores. The starting point is the modern Western concept of citizenship, which was born out of the nation-state in which certain rights and obligations were allocated to individuals under its authority. Usually rights mentioned here include the civil (free speech and movement, the rule of law), the political (voting, elections) and the social (welfare, health care, unemployment insurance). These vary from one state to another but the expectation is that modern democratic state maintains a combination of citizenship rights and obligations.

One major theme of the paper will be diversity. Diversity was also sought with the plural form of "citizenship" in the title of the paper. With the use of plural, the intention is to give a perspective on the challenges of globalization, as far as they concern citizenship and cause the dimensions of citizenship to multiply. The point is not to handle problems in plural nationality and dual citizenship (alone) but to pay attention to the contemporary societal situation in which some late or post-modern theorists have claimed that citizenship is dead. In the twenty first century, theories of citizenship have expanded from the state-citizen relationship to everything citizens might do to change their circumstances. Being politically engaged means practicing substantive citizenship. This means that citizenship must also be defined as a social process.

EU and European youth policy will be discussed. The idea of global responsibility will be inserted in that context. The diversity will also be sought by contemplating the variety of young people's civic activities, and the borders and intersections between the new politics of the youth and the traditional voting citizenship. The discussion will function as a bridge to the themes of consumer citizenship. The central idea of the text was to evoke the themes of classic civic virtue which needs stylizing to fit into the landscape of today's popular and entertainment culture. Thus the concepts of media citizenship and late modern civic virtue are considered with enthusiasm in the text.

Citizenship/s in the youth perspective raise the questions of sovereignty and the conditions of full membership. Can a member of a community be sovereign if his or her position is secondary? The position of young people in the European societies is secondary and precarious. The situation obviously varies from society to society. It is not enough that the youth is socialized as actors, raised to hold the post-modern European civic virtue and they are offered the framework of participation. Young people need space, a place and a proper social status and the corresponding rights (supranational citizenship).

September 3rd (9h30h-13h)

1° Intergenerational Relationships, Gender and Social Policy: the cases of France and Spain (9h30-11h).

By *Constanza Tobío*

The concern about the capacity of welfare states to respond to the new demands the

aging of the population will create in the years to come explains why intergenerational relationships, beyond the nuclear family, are becoming a relevant issue in public debate in Europe. The lecture discusses the role of kinship support for care in comparative perspective in France and Spain. Intergenerational relationships are conceptualised in terms of reciprocity and solidarity at the micro and macro level, using the social care framework developed by Daly and Lewis. Care between generations at the micro level is concretised in two different situations: grandparents as carers of their grandchildren and adult children as carers of their old parents. Both in France and Spain the role of grandparents as carers seems to have increased in the last years. The main difference between the two countries is that in the former kinship support complements generous provision of services by the state whereas in Spain grandparents substitute scarce social policies. In both countries it is mostly families that provide care for the elderly, the underlying logic of policies being to help families with support services provided by the state. Conflicts and tensions arise in a moment of social change when the logic of intergenerational relationships based in reciprocity is altered. The dominant parsonian family model based in a gendered division of work gives way to more egalitarian family forms where both men and women share the responsibility of economic provision. The still unresolved issue is care of children, the elderly or the handicapped. Several questions to be asked emerge: whether in the future families and, more specifically, middle aged women will continue to be available as carers, to what extent this is fair or desirable and how should this resource be complemented with other resources from the state, the market or the community.

2° The ruse of love. Conflict, power and transformations of intimacy in violence against women.

By *Consuelo Corradi (11h-13h)*

In the last decades, sociological analysis has almost always explained domestic conflict and violence by reference to a power differential. As men are more powerful than women both in face-to-face relationships and in the larger society, they tend to control their partner's life, actions and emotions. As a result, conflict may develop into a "spiral of violence" in which women are always victims.

This sound explanation of gender relationships is, however, too static. Violence against women does not decrease in societies where women have gained wider access to the labor market; it does not decrease in societies where women are more empowered than in the past; and it does not seem to disappear in same sex relations, where gender is not a key issue of intimacy.

The paper will illustrate first and second hand, qualitative and quantitative data collected in European countries and the USA. It will argue that the explanation of violence against women must be integrated. Gender and power are not the sole dimensions, but notions of love and desire also concur to shape intimate violence. In particular, the rhetoric of romantic love is a powerful semantics for seemingly "pure" (authentic, self-sufficient and non-instrumental) relationships, which at the same time are actually laden by the ambiguity of otherness and feminine/masculine desire. The paper will argue that this type of relationship, both ambiguous and seemingly pure even if not necessarily violent, also characterizes non intimate relationships taking place in the modern, public sphere.

Session: What is happening to sociology students after graduation?

ESA Conference, Caledonian University, Glasgow, Monday 4th, 14:00-15:30

Organised and chaired by: *Luis Baptista (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)* and *Daniel Bertaux (CNRS, Paris)*

All over Europe every year, thousands of young women and men come out of higher education with a sociology qualification. What happens to them?

It seems that in most European countries only a small proportion will eventually find a stable job in an academic position. What about the others then? What are the main types of jobs and careers they find? What are the contents of the various types of sociologist jobs offered by public institutions, private enterprises, associations, or self-employment? Are sociology students well prepared to take

them? Are there new profiles of sociologist jobs emerging and developing, in which sectors? As new conceptions and contents of the job of sociologist appear and multiply, does this retroact on sociology curricula themselves? On national associations of sociologists?

Answers to such questions and issues probably vary greatly from one European country to another. This session is organised around presentations of "national" situations.

Available statistics about sociologists outside academia will be reported, as well as findings of specific research projects. Existing initiatives by national sociological associations to promote employment for sociologists will be mentioned. There will be time for discussion.

This session is organised by the Network of Associations of Sociology of Southern European Countries (acronym: RESU); that is, Sociological Associations from France, Italy, Portugal, and Spain.

ESA PhD Workshop, RN Sociology of Professions Professions, citizenship and the changing worlds of welfare governance

ESA Conference, Caledonian University, Glasgow, September 2-3, 2007

This RN Sociology of Professions PhD workshop will be held immediately preceding the ESA Glasgow conference on 2-3 September 2007. It will link the study of professions to changes in the institutional, organisational and cultural frameworks of societies. The call for papers met with great interests. 20 PhD students and other young researchers from all areas of Europe and beyond will learn and discuss together for two days. Most of the participants are new members of ESA. The aim is to provide an opportunity for PhD students and other junior researchers for shared learning and discussion across countries and sociological fields.

Organisation: Ellen Kuhlmann and Viola Burau

Following an Introduction "Professions, citizenship and welfare governance: new directions" by Ellen Kuhlmann and Viola Burau, six keynote lectures address some of the main topics in the sociology of professions:

Julia Evetts,

University of Nottingham, UK
*Professionalism and managerialism:
Organisational control at a distance*

Vittorio Oligiati,

University of Urbino, Italy
*Removing borders in the worlds of welfare
governance? Law, policy and education
after Bologna*

Elianne Riska,

University of Helsinki, Finland
*Crossing boundaries: gendered migration
and the medical profession*

Ellen Kuhlmann, Germany,
Pavel Romanov and Elena Iarskaia-Smirnova,
Saratov State Technical University, Russia
*Technologies of knowledge and
professional power*

Mike Saks, University of Lincoln, UK and
Ellen Kuhlmann, Germany
*Citizenship and professional governance:
user choice and the public interest*

Viola Burau, University of Aarhus,
Denmark
*Comparing occupational governance
across countries: challenges for research
design*

For further information on the programme and abstracts please visit the website of RN Sociology of Professions:

www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/profe.htm or
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Viola Burau (viola@ps.au.dk).

Meet the Authors

**Meet the Author sessions, Wednesday
5th September, 4.00pm - 5.30pm**

Session 1: Room M137

Book: Mike Keen and Janusz Mucha,
Autobiographies of Transformation
(Routledge 2005).

Author/speaker: Janusz Mucha (AGH
University, Cracow, Poland)

Discussants: Peggy Watson (Cambridge
University, UK), Daniel Bertaux (Ecole des
Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales,
CNRS- Centre d'Etude des Mouvements
Sociaux Paris, France)

Session 2: Room W110

Book: Uwe Flick, (Alice Salomon
University of Applied Sciences, Berlin,
Germany)
An Introduction to Qualitative Research
(Sage 2006).

Author/speaker: Uwe Flick (Alice Salomon
University of Applied Sciences, Berlin,
Germany)

Discussants: Thomas Eberle (Universität
St Gallen, Switzerland), Shalva Weil
(Hebrew University, Israel)

Session 3: Room M201

Book: Ruth Lister and Fiona Williams et
al, Gendering Citizenship in Western
Europe: New Challenges for Citizenship
Research in Western Europe (Policy
Press 2007)

Author/speaker: Ruth Lister (University of
Loughborough, UK) and Fiona Williams
(University of Leeds)

Discussants: Catherine Delcroix
(University of Strasbourg, France) and
Analia Cardoso Torres (Instituto Superior
de Ciências do Trabalho e da Empresa,
Portugal)

Session 4: Room M001

Book: Robin Wagner-Pacifici, The Art of
Surrender (University of Chicago Press,
2005).

Author/speaker: Robin Wagner-Pacifici
(Swarthmore College, USA)

Discussants: Mark Jacobs (George Mason
University, USA) and Ana Lisa Tota
(University of Rome III, Italy)

Session 5: Room C001

Book: Jeffrey Alexander, The Civil Sphere
(Oxford University Press 2006).

Author/speaker: Jeffrey Alexander (Yale
University, USA)

Discussants: Patrick Baert (University of
Cambridge, UK) and Carlo Ruzza
(University of Trento, Italy)

Session 6: Room M323

Monica Threlfall, Christine Cousins and
Celia Valiente, Gendering Spanish
Democracy (Routledge 2004)

Author/Speaker: Monica Threlfall
(University of Loughborough, UK)

Discussants: Constanza Tobio Soler
(University of Madrid, Spain) and Bianca
Becalli (Università di Milano, Italy)

News for Research Networks

ESA Research Network Council

In the Glasgow Conference there will be Research Networks 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 RNs are central in the organisation of the ESA conferences, it was considered important to have a common forum between the executive and the RNs in order to discuss issues of current concern within ESA. The aim is to formalise this body of consultation in the General Assembly that takes place during the conference.

The purpose of RN 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 representatives. We hope that all RNs choose a representative to come to the meeting in order to discuss issues related to the ESA. The President, Giovanna Procacci and the members of the executive will also endeavour to make this a forum where European science policies can be addressed. We want to promote sociology and social sciences in the context of the European science policy - for example the European Science Foundation. It is interesting to have these discussions in Glasgow, a city with a long industrial history and diversity of inhabitants.

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 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 RNs. 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 RNs are in a central strategic position.



Tuula Gordon

Research Networks

The research networks 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 the research networks. Information about research networks can be found in the ESA home pages. 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 RNs - and between RNs too - we would like you to send to Tuula Gordon (Tuula.Gordon@Helsinki.Fi) before the ESA RNs Council meets in Glasgow 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 for Research Networks
On behalf of the Executive and the Research Network Committee - Sara Arber (UK), Sokratis Koniorodos (Greece) and Valerij Mansurov (Russia)*

ESA-Book Series "Studies in European Societies"

You might not be aware of our book series "Studies in European Societies", published by Routledge. The series publishes high-quality books on sociological issues relevant to Europe.

Comparative research is particularly welcome! If you have any ideas for a proposal, please contact me:
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ESA Research Networks & Coordinators

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RN2 - Sociology of the Arts

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RN3 - Biographical Perspectives on European Societies

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RN13 - Sociology of Families and Intimate Lives

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RN14 - Gender Relations in the Labour Market and the Welfare State

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RN22 - Sociology of Risk and Uncertainty

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RN23 - Sexuality

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RN30 - Youth and Generation

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* Guidelines for Research Networks
[More info:](http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networksreportsept05.doc) <http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networksreportsept05.doc>

* What Research Networks are for
[More info:](http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networks3.htm) <http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networks3.htm>

* How to establish a Research Network
[More info:](http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networks3.htm) <http://www.valt.helsinki.fi/esa/networks3.htm>

Election of the president and of the members of the Executive Committee

All members in good standing will vote for president of ESA and for members of the executive committee for the next two year period. Members may vote before the Conference by regular mail or at the Conference itself, where the election procedures will be closed (by Wed.5th at noon). All members in good standing will be sent together with this Summer issue of ESA Newsletter a voting card with their name (to be signed), the ballot with the nominated candidates, a neutral envelope and an addressed larger envelope for sending the ballot back to Gisèle Tchinda, ESA secretariat, 59-61 rue Pouchet, 75017 Paris (France). If you wish to vote in Glasgow, bring with you your voting card and look for the ballot organized at the Conference (open the all day Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th until noon).

Information

Who can vote?

All people who have paid their dues by the time when election procedures will be closed at the Glasgow Conference. Those who are already eligible by the end of June will receive the voting card and ballot by mail together with this Summer-issue of the ESA newsletter. Other members registering to ESA later on may ask for their voting card in Glasgow at the ballot.

Who can be elected?

All candidates need to be ESA members in good standing with the association. Beside we list the nominated candidates for president and executive committee with short CVs, in order that you can think about them and discuss with your colleagues. It is also possible to express candidate preferences by writing in the name (or names) of other ESA members in good standing. However, only ten candidates can be voted for the executive and only one for presidency.

Voting procedures

Voting is possible by regular mail, sending back the voting card and ballot to the ESA office before the Conference; ESA members can also vote during the Conference, where a ballot will be open the all day of Tuesday 4th and Wed.5th of Sept. 2007 until 12 o'clock (noon). Elections results will be announced in the ESA General Assembly, Wed.5th at 18:00-19:30.

The 2007 Nominations Committee:

Chair: Daniel Bertaux

J.P. Roos, Yasemine Soysal, Capitolina Diaz, Max Haller, Roberto Cipriani, Galina Osadkaya

The Nominations Committee has had wide consultations and asked for proposals from ESA members, ESA RNs and from national sociological associations in Europe. Based on these consultations, a slate of 30 candidates to the executive committee (15 of each gender) has been made, taking into account region and field of research. Four persons have been nominated as candidates for the ESA presidency.

Nominated candidates for President of ESA

Patrick Baert (UK)

Patrick Baert is Fellow and Director of Studies in Social and Political Sciences at Selwyn College, Cambridge University. He is interested in social theory; philosophy of social science; and sociology of culture.

Amongst his publications are *Philosophy of the Social Sciences: Towards Pragmatism* (2005), *Social Theory in the 20th Century* (1998), *Time, Self and Social Being* (1992), and the edited volumes *Pragmatism and European Social Theory* (with BS Turner, 2007) and *Time in Contemporary Intellectual Thought* (2000). Originally from Brussels, he obtained his doctorate from Oxford University, and has held various visiting posts; for instance, Amiens, Aix-en-Provence, Berlin, Brussels, Cape Town, Concepcion, London, Paris, Rome and Vancouver.

He is Vice-President for Publications of the ESA, has been a member of the Executive Committee of the ESA for 4 years, and is also the coordinator of the Social Theory Research Network of the ESA. He holds editorial positions at European Societies, the *Journal for Classical Sociology*, the *European Journal of Social Theory*, and the *International Journal of the Humanities*. See also www.sps.cam.ac.uk/stafflist/pbaert_research.html

Consuelo Corradi (Italy)

PH.D. in sociology (1987), Professor of sociology, Director of the Graduate School of social work and member of the Dean's Council at Lumsa University (Rome, Italy). She has taught at Università Roma 3 and Brandeis University (Boston, Usa). Her main area of interest is social theory; she writes on violence, social and personal identity, post-secular societies, and theories of modernity. She has been Member of the Executive Committee of the International Sociological Association Research Committee 38 "Biography and Society", in 1995-1999, and Member of the Executive Committee and Standing Delegate for international relations for the Italian Association of Sociology, in 2004-2007.

Among her most recent publications: "Il corpo della donna come luogo della guerra" (Woman's Body as the Locus of War) in *Difesa sociale* (special issue on mass rape; 2, 2007), and "Identity and Extreme Violence. Some Elements for a Definition of Violence in Modernity" in A. Cavalli (ed.), *Issues and Trends in Italian Sociology* (forthcoming, 2007). She sits in the Editorial Committee of several Italian sociological journals, and is currently working on a book-length project on violence and modernity, and on a long essay on beauty and the sacred in post-secular societies.

Thomas S. Eberle (Switzerland)

Professor and Co-Director of the Institute of Sociology at the University of St Gallen, Switzerland; President of the Swiss Sociological Association (1998-2005), and member of the Social Science Policy Council of the Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences (2000-2005).

His main research areas are social theory, sociology of culture and knowledge, communication, organization and methodology, qualitative methods, and ethnography. He has published in three languages, among other topics on theoretical and methodological issues of phenomenology and sociology of knowledge, on reading societies, the social construction of gender relations, dislocation policies in Western Europe; he recently edited books on qualitative inquiry, the triumph and misery of neoliberalism, and the special case of Switzerland. He was Visiting Scholar (1980-82) and Visiting Research Associate (1994) at the University of California, Santa Barbara; guest professor at the Universities of Konstanz (1998-99) and Vienna (2004); and he has regular teaching assignments at the Universities of Basel and Zurich.

He is an active member of several professional organizations and editorial boards, and has organized a number of conferences. Prof. Eberle also has extensive experience on multicultural and multilingual teams. Within ESA, he has been a Board member of the Research Network Qualitative Methods since 2000 (and its Chair, 2001-2003), and is a founding board member of the RN Sociology of Culture (since 2005). Colleagues praise his management and organization capabilities, communication skills, dedication, ability as a team player, gentle approach to people, and personal integrity. (www.sfs.unisg.ch)

Claire Wallace (UK)

Claire Wallace is Professor of sociology at the University of Aberdeen and Director of the New Europe Centre there. She was previously head of Sociology at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Vienna and at the Central European University in Prague. She was editor of the official journal of the ESA "European Societies" until 2006 and helped to make it into an internationally recognised journal and forum for presenting the work of the Association. Claire Wallace has co-ordinated a number of European projects and worked as consultant to the European Commission, the European Parliament and the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions as well as the World Bank.

At present the main research projects are about East-West migration and the relationship between work and care (see <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/socsci/research/nec/>) although she has recently finished studies about the Quality of Life in Europe and Social Capital in Europe. Claire Wallace teaches European Societies at the University of Aberdeen and is currently writing a textbook on this subject.

Nominated candidates for ESA Executive Committee

Female Candidates

Ursula Apitzsch (Germany)

Ursula Apitzsch is - since 1993 - full professor of political science and sociology at J.W. Goethe-University of Frankfurt/Main and member of the Board of Directors of the Frankfurt Centre for Women's and Gender Studies CGC. She is research fellow at the Frankfurt Institute of Social Research and has been the lead researcher in a considerable number of empirical research projects on migrant and marginalized groups. She published broadly in the fields of migration, culture, and biographical policy analysis; on problems of cross-national policy evaluation, politics of ethnicity, consulting policies in the field of migrant self employment, and on biographical analysis with special regard to gender and citizenship. Among her book publications are: *Migration und Traditionsbildung* (1999); *Biographical analysis and professional practice* (ed. with Joanna Bornat and Prue Chamberlayne, 2004); *Migration, Biographie und Geschlechterverhältnisse* (ed. with Mechthild Jansen, 2003). She has been working for many years with colleagues of the Research Network "Biographical Perspectives on European Societies".

Mary P. Corcoran (Ireland)

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Consuelo Corradi (Italy)

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Head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Surrey and has been an active member of the ESA since 1999. She has also been active in the ISA in the Sociology of Childhood Research Committee since 1996, including being Secretary to the RC committee. Her research interests are in two main areas: the Sociology of Childhood, and research methodology. Her work in the Sociology of Childhood is concerned with children as social agents and the concept of competence. She has published in this area and is currently developing linked work on children and sleep, and children's mental health. Together with two colleagues (Randi Dyblie Nilsen and Madeleine Leonard) she established the Sociology of Children and Childhood Research Network in 2006 and prior to that had organised sessions in this field at ESA conferences since 1999, frequently working with Leena Alanen on this. Her methodological work has been primarily in the field of mixed methods including a reflexive methodological study looking at integrating methods. She has also been a co-investigator in a study into public attitudes towards research governance of biomedical research.

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He co-authored a book entitled *Alevism-Bektashism: A Brief Introduction* in 2006 and a COMPAS working paper entitled "Differentiating irregularity and solidarity: Turkish Immigrants at work in London" in 2007. Dr. Erdemir is on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Sociological Research* and *Kirkbudak: Anatolian Journal of Folk Religion*.

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Some of his main publications are in books like *Protecting Employment* (1990), *Youth Report Spain 1992* (1993), *Studies on Spanish Labour Market* (1995), *Youth, Labour Markets and Employment Policies* (1999), *History of Spanish Sociology* (2001) y *Spain in the XXI Century* (2007). He has published articles in *European Societies* and *International Labour Brief*.

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He is also an Associate Director of the Centre for Research into Families and Relationships (CRFR) at the University of Edinburgh and Co-Chair of the Local Organizing Committee for the ESA 8th conference to be held in Glasgow in September 2007.

Sokratis M. Koniordos (Greece)**(2nd term)**

Sokratis M. Koniordos has been elected Associate Professor at the Hellenic Open University (appointment pending); currently at the Dept. of Sociology, University of Crete. He obtained his Ph.D from the London School of Economics and has authored or edited seven books including: *Towards a Sociology of Artisans: Continuities and Discontinuities in Comparative Perspective* (2001); and (ed.) *Networks, Trust and Social Capital: Theoretical and Empirical Investigations from Europe* (2005). His main research interests are in the area of economic sociology and sociology of work: particularly civil society, social participation, social capital, social embeddedness and trust, work identity, work relations, self-employment and micro-businesses, living and working conditions, and the cultural economy.

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He has been Vice President of RSS, 1991-1997; a member or head of Organizational Committees of more than 50 national conferences and 10 international conferences. He led the Soviet part of the international project "Class Structure and Class Consciousness" (coordinator E.O.Wright, USA). 1985-1991: co-president of Soviet part of Soviet-Finish Working group on sociology.

From 1992 up to now, RSS representative at the ISA Council of National Associations. From 2005, member of the ESA Executive Committee (Program Committee and Committee for Networks).

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He has published books and articles on social movements, civil society, state development, political parties, social change, corruption, and political clientelism. He has been a member of the executive boards of the Swedish Sociological Association and the Nordic Sociological Association. Currently he is the editor of the Nordic language peer review journal "Nordiske OrganisasjonsStudier".

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He is currently a member of the Executive Committee of the ESA. He has chaired the external relations committee and is also the co-coordinator of the Social Movements Network of the ESA. He holds editorial positions at European Societies and the Journal of European Integration.

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Statutes of the European Sociological Association

Proposed Changes of the ESA Statutes

The current ESA Statutes were approved by the General Assembly in Helsinki (2001) and revised in Torun (2005). The full text of the current Statutes are available on the ESA website.

This Executive Committee has been concerned with two changes in the Statutes. The first relates to the ex-aequo voting which occurred in the last elections in Torun. The second deals with the difficulty to find as many candidates as currently required by our Statutes, as pointed out by the chairs of the previous and the current Nominations Committees. The following proposal for the change of Statutes will be proposed to the General Assembly meeting in Glasgow.

Proposed changes:

Article 13 - reduction of the number of candidates for ESA nominations

It is proposed to rephrase the last sentence as "It proposes a slate of 24-30 candidates for the Executive Committee and 2-4 candidates for the presidency, half of them..."

Article 14 - addition of ex-aequo

It is proposed to add at the end the following sentence: "In case of the highest number of votes for the Presidency being tied equally, there shall be a new vote within the General Assembly in order to decide between these two candidates. In case of a tie for a position on the Executive Committee, all tied candidates would become Executive members."

The Executive Committee has also discussed the need for a stronger continuity in the work for the Association. The general Assembly is invited to discuss in Glasgow possible ways for approaching this goal; the next Executive elected in Glasgow will have to elaborate the Assembly's suggestions in order to find out a formulation to be proposed to the following General Assembly.

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