



# Announcing the next ESA- Conference “Conflict, Citizenship and Civil Society”

September 3rd-7th 2007, Glasgow, Scotland

We are happy to present you the theme and the first information-bits of the next ESA-Conference, that will take place in Glasgow, Scotland in September 2007. More information soon in the next ESA-newsletters.

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## New ESA-Executive Committee elected

The results of the election at the last ESA-conference in Turin are now available. Check out the new ESA-President and the new Committee!

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*The Cathedral of Glasgow at Night*

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# President's message

from the new ESA President Giovanna Procacci



## Dear ESA members,

I am very grateful to all of you for your generous voting at the last ESA conference in Torun and I am proud to be the president of this Association. It is a tradition that the new president says something about his/her views concerning the future goals of the ESA in the Newsletter. I will share with you two ideas that I think are important for future ESA activities.

First, I am convinced that the European nature of our Association allows us to escape the burdens of a specific academic framework, which too often limit the action of national sociological associations. The European framework also puts us in a privileged position: we can be involved in the building of Europe, in processes which are changing our societies and therefore constituting to us, as sociologists, an intellectual challenge. This demands, I think, a more reflective strategy from ESA towards Europe.

Second, I would like to emphasize that the Association is a network of thought and research. I therefore see ESA's role in terms of providing means of communication for and among our Research Networks, of organizing scientific events directed to the RNs and representing the RNs as active groups of European sociologists. It seems to me that also this task should be reinforced in our

organization.

The Executive Committee (EC) has discussed various ways for implementing these two endeavours. Let me be more explicit on the first point: ESA has been involved in the network Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE) and with European Consortium of Political Research (ECPR) we are the only social sciences associations which participate in the policy negotiations. The purpose of the ISE has been to promote the constitution of a European Research Council (ERC), which is by now a fact and will represent scientists' views and wishes in the formulation of research policies for EU. Here I see a chance for a strategic role for ESA: first, to promote a debate among European sociologists about the priorities set by our discipline and about needs and future developments, second, to act as a link to the ERC. In order to pursue this goal more consistently, the EC has organized a new committee on "External relations," which will be responsible for following all steps of this process.

But this is not enough. We need to involve our RNs in this debate and bring them together with the Executive Committee and discuss this project. We have therefore planned to create a RN Council, where the coordinators of the Research Networks of the ESA would meet together with the Executive Committee in a special session during the ESA conference. This Council meeting of the RNs could work as a place for discussing these kinds of strategic issues for ESA. We wait for RNs' reaction to this proposal. As for the second point, the EC has decided to activate the role of RNs

by increasing ESA's financial support to their activities and by reinforcing communications between the EC and the RNs via our website and our "Communication Committee". The EC also thinks it would be crucial for our RNs to work more actively with young researchers and strengthen our tradition of organizing Student Workshops, which have been very successful at our last conferences. The EC created for this purpose a new committee on "Post-doctoral research", which is responsible for teaching initiatives and the prize approved by the General Assembly in Torun. Our first action has been to launch the first ESA Summer School on "Immigration in Europe", which will take place in Milan from July 3rd to 9th 2006 (the call for applications is included in this Newsletter). ESA will regularly organize a Summer School on a European sociological issue in the year between two conferences, when no student workshops are organized.

Last but not least, I am perfectly aware that many of you raised the issue of our fees being too high. We cannot do much about conference fees, which depend on the local organizing committee, but we can try to reduce our membership fees. The Finance committee will work on this and we promise that we will do our best to solve this issue.

As you can see, there is much room for a closer connection between our RNs and the work of the Executive Committee. My hope is to be able to work together with you towards this end during the two years of my presidency.

Yours,

*Giovanna Procacci*

# Results of the Election for the next ESA- President and Executive Committee 2005-2007

Finally we can present you the results of the election for the next ESA-president and executive committee for the next two years. The election took place at the last ESA conference in Torun, Poland, September 9th-12th 2005.

## The new ESA-Executive Committee

### President:

represents ESA and chairs the executive  
*Giovanna Procacci*

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presents budget and financial report, takes financial decisions  
*Lennart Svensson*

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responsible for records, general overview of secretariat, relations to members  
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*Patrick Baert*

### Vicepresident for conference programme:

*Sara Arber*

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*Rene Bekkers*

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### Vicepresident for Research Networks:

*Tuula Gordon*

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### Finance Committee:

membership fees, conference fees, other financial matters

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President

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all relations and communications with RNs

Chair: Tuula Gordon  
Sara Arber  
Sokratis Koniordos  
Valerji Mansurov

### Committee for publications:

journal (with ES editorial board), book-series, relations with publisher

Chair: Patrick Baert  
Constanza Tobio  
Carlo Ruzza

Analia Torres

### Committee for Conference programme:

relations between the executive and the Glasgow LOC

Chair: Sara Arber  
Pamela Abbott  
Tommi Hoikkala  
Valerji Mansurov

**Committee for communications:** website, newsletter, follow-up of conference preparation steps (with the committee for Conference programme)

Chair: Dagmar Kutsar  
Rene Bekkers  
Catherine Delcroix  
Elianne Riska (editor of the newsletter, with Andreas Berger)

### Committee for post-graduate research:

student workshop, summer school, ESA prize

Chair: Catherine Delcroix  
Tommi Hoikkala  
Sokratis Koniordos  
Constanza Tobio

### Committee for external relations:

relations with national associations, ERC, ISA, other bodies

Chair: Carlo Ruzza  
Daniel Bertaux  
Dagmar Kutsar  
Elianne Riska

The Council of National Associations has nominated in Torun as chair of the Council and of the Nomination Committee Daniel Bertaux.

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European Sociologist, the Newsletter of the ESA accepts all types of material of relevance to sociologist working on or in Europe - articles, 'think pieces', comments or letters to the Editor, announcements or research initiatives, conferences, seminars, newly-published books etc.

Material should be sent directly to the editor.

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# Letter by Patrick Baert, Vice-President for Publications of the ESA

Dear all,

As the newly elected vice-president for publications, I would like to take the opportunity to inform you of the publications activities of the ESA and to encourage you to publish in its main outlets. The following publications are organised by the ESA:

1. There is first of all the journal *European Societies*, which goes to every member of the ESA. From 2007 onwards, the ESA will give a prize (2000 Euros) for the best article published in *European Societies* over the past two years by a social scientist in the early stages of their career. (He or she should not obtain a doctorate for more than 5 years at the moment of submitting the article.)

There will also be a prize for the runner-up (1000 Euros). These prizes ought to be an added incentive for young researchers to publish in the journal. The prizes will be awarded for the first time at our

conference in Glasgow (2007), with a selection amongst the articles published in 2005 and 2006.

2. There is also the series 'Studies in *European Societies*', published by Routledge. Several high-profile books have been published in this series, and we very much welcome proposals for new books.



Patrick Baert

The proposals can be sent to me via email: [pjnb100@cam.ac.uk](mailto:pjnb100@cam.ac.uk)

Patrick Baert

## European Societies: Announcements New Editorial Team for *European Societies* Sought



*European Societies* is the official journal of the European Sociological Association. Although it was founded only in 1998 it has now become established as a major European research journal and is included since two years in the Social Science Citation Index.

The European Sociological Association

is looking for a new Editorial Team to run the journal. The Editorial Team should consist of an Editor or Editors of high academic standing with experience of publishing in international journals. There should be a book reviews Editor. There should also be people in the Editorial Team competent to assess advanced statistical procedures.

The Editorial Team should be members of the European Sociological Association and able to take over the journal from October 2006 onwards.

If you are interested, please contact Carlo Ruzza, who is Chair of the Editorial Board of *European Societies*, on: [carlo.ruzza@soc.unitn.it](mailto:carlo.ruzza@soc.unitn.it)

## ESA-Prize for best Authors

The ESA wants to help young scholars to get visibility. It has decided to give two prizes of respectively 2000 and 1000 euros to the authors of the two best articles published in *European Societies* in 2006 or 2007. This competition is open to all scholars who have defended their Ph.D. no more than five years ago. The selection

will be done in May 2007 and the prizes will be given at the next ESA congress in Glasgow in September of 2007

Catherine Delcroix

Chair, Committee for post-graduate research, ESA EC

# Call for applications

## ESA Summer School "Immigration in Europe"

University of Milan, Department of Social & Political Studies, July 3rd-9th, 2006

ESA is organizing a one week International Summer School on "Immigration in Europe" designed for doctoral students and young researchers from all European countries. The Summer School will take place at the Faculty of Political Sciences of the University of Milan (Italy) organized jointly with the department of Social & Political Studies there, from July 3rd through 9th, 2006.

Grants are offered to 30 selected applicants to participate to the school. ESA will cover travel expenses up to a maximum of 300 euros per person; the University of Milan will cover other expenses (lodging, food).

Selected applicants are requested to arrive by the night of July 2nd, departure July 9th. During 5 full working days (Monday-Friday) they will attend lectures by an international

team of speakers and take part into workshops where they will present for discussion their own research project. The week-end will be free. The working language is English. All participants will receive a Certificate useful for academic purposes.

A detailed programme of the Summer School will be ready soon and will circulate; it will also be available on the ESA website.

The call for application is open from January 4th 2006; deadline for sending applications: *March 31st, 2006*.

Applicants will be notified of the selection by May 2nd 2006 by e-mail.

Applications must include:

\* personal data and contact numbers ( fill application form on the website [http://www.sociol.unimi.it/altrisiti/esa\\_registration](http://www.sociol.unimi.it/altrisiti/esa_registration) )

\* cv: academic qualifications, current position

\* abstract of the research project (1-2 pages)

\* at least one letter from a referee familiar with the applicant's work.

Registration is by submission of the application form.

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Giovanna Procacci, Maurizio Ambrosini  
Secretary: Giovanni Semi

# Books and other Publications

## Philosophy of the Social Sciences

**Patrick Baert**

*University of Cambridge  
Polity Books, 2005*

### About the Book:

\* A comprehensive analysis of central perspectives in the philosophy of the social sciences.

\* Places key writers in their social and political contexts, helping to make their ideas meaningful to students.

\* Shows how these authors' views have practical uses in empirical research.

\* Lively approach that makes complex ideas understandable to upper-level students, as well as having scholarly appeal.

In this ground-breaking new text, Patrick Baert analyses the central perspectives in the philosophy of social science, critically investigating the work of Durkheim, Weber, Popper, critical realism, critical theory, and Rorty's neo-pragmatism. His lively account places key intellectual figures within the social and political contexts in which they were writing, and clearly shows how their

views translated into empirical research.

In the final chapter, Baert sets out his own pragmatist perspective on the potential of social research for critique, arguing that it can help researchers learn as much about their own presuppositions as their subjects of study. *Philosophy of Social Science: Towards Pragmatism* is both an authoritative textbook, and an original proposal for an exciting new research agenda.

This lively textbook will be helpful to upper-level students looking for a detailed and yet lucid account of the main positions in the philosophy of social science. It will also appeal to those researchers who are sympathetic towards the pragmatist view that knowledge has the potential to increase the scope of human possibility.

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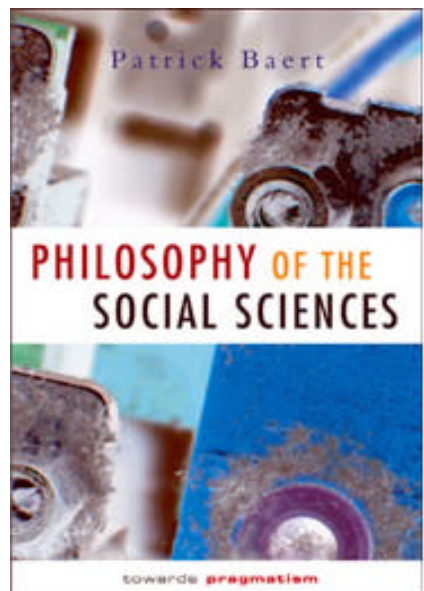
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# Conferences and Call for Papers

## Well-being of children and labour markets in Europe

### 2nd Conference of the WELLCHI-NETWORK

Bucerius Law School,  
Hamburg, March 31 - April 1, 2006

We would like to announce the 2nd International Conference of the WELLCHI - Network and would like to invite all interested colleagues kindly to attend the conference.

#### The main subjects of the conference include:

(1) Labour markets and the development and patterns of child poverty  
(2) The growing up of children in changing labour markets of their parents, which will be discussed with international experts on childhood, family and labour markets.

#### Streams and Programm:

##### **(1) Child poverty and Globalisation:**

Jonathan Bradshaw, University of York, UK  
'Child poverty in the context of globalisation'

Peter Whiteford, Willem Adema, OECD, France  
'Child poverty in OECD countries: assessing the effectiveness of alternative strategies to improve family incomes'

Lluís Flaquer, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain  
'Child Poverty in wealthy nations'

Gerhard Beisenherz, DJI Munich, Germany  
'Concepts of measuring child poverty'

##### **(1) Child poverty between family development and labour markets:**

Michael Erler, UAS Frankfurt am Main, Germany (to be confirmed)  
'The role of family change for child poverty'

Alan Marsh, Policy Studies Institute, London, UK  
'Child poverty and the employment situation of parents'

Stephen McKay, University of Bristol, UK (to be confirmed)  
'Single mothers and child poverty'

Jody Heymann, Mc Gill University, Institute for Health and Social Policy, USA  
'Family policy and the situation of children in a global perspective'

##### **(1) Migration and child poverty:**

Ulla Björnberg, University of Göteborg, Sweden  
'Asylum-seeking children's welfare, health

and well-being'

Leonie Herwartz- Emden, University of Augsburg, Germany  
'Globalisation and problems of immigrated children'

Silvia Carrasco, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain  
'Poverty of children in migrated families'

Laura Alipranti and Anna Nikolaou, EKKE, Greece  
'Child poverty in multicultural societies'

##### **(1) How children perceive and deal with poverty:**

Wolfgang Lauterbach, University of Münster, Germany (to be confirmed)  
'Child poverty and education'

Andreas Klocke, UAS Frankfurt, Germany  
'Growing up poor and the health behaviour of children'

Tess Ridge, University of Bath, UK  
'Child poverty from a child's perspective'

Margherita Zander, UAS of Münster, Germany  
'Childhood in poverty and the coping strategies of children'

##### **(2) Children and changes of the concept of citizenship of parents:**

Jane Millar, University of Bath, UK  
'Lone mother entering employment: from home to work and the impact on children'

Carol Smart, University of Manchester, UK (to be confirmed)  
'Caring and Earning - The situation of children of employed women'

Andreas Lange, DJI Munich, Germany  
'Part time work and patterns of balancing family and work'

Birgit Pfau-Effinger, University of Hamburg, Germany  
'Active citizenship' - the new paradigm of Welfare state policies. What does it mean for children?

##### **(2) Children's time with their parents:**

Karin Jurczyk, DJI Munich; Germany  
'Parental working time, common time, children's time- the perspective of children'

Michael Opielka, UAS Jena/UC Berkeley, Germany/USA  
'Do children need time with their parents?'

Manuela du Bois-Reymond, University of Leiden, Netherlands (to be confirmed)  
'When the state has to fill the gap'

Norbert F. Schneider, University of Mainz, Germany

'Changing expectations on employees and parents and the well-being of children'

##### **(2) Labour markets, childhood and the caring by fathers:**

Margaret O'Brien, University of East Anglia Norwich, UK  
'Work regimes and men's care work'

Jouko Huttunen, University of Jyväskylä, Finland  
'Parenthood from the father's point of view'

Tanja Mühling, ifb Bamberg, Germany  
'Caring fathers in Germany - The ,new' fathers'

Guðny Björk Eydal, University of Iceland, Iceland  
'Caring fathers in the Nordic countries'

##### **(2) Childhood and labour market in the "social investment state":**

Thomas Olk, Martin-Luther-University of Halle/Wittenberg, Germany  
'Children in the "social investment state" '

Claude Martin, University of Rennes, France  
'Childhood in the context of public policy'

Hans Bertram, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany  
'Policies for children - the case of Germany'

Jens Qvortrup, NTNU, Norway  
'Citizenship of children'

The conference is part of the academic work within the project "The well-being of children: The impact of changing family forms, working conditions of parents, social policy and legislative measures - WELLCHI NETWORK" (2004-2007) which is a Coordination Action under the 6th Framework Programme "Citizens and Governance in a Knowledge Based Society" of the European Commission.

The purpose of the project is to set up and operate a network to improve the knowledge of the impact of changing family forms, the working conditions of parents and social policy and legislative measures on the well-being of children and their families.

**Internet:** <http://www.ciimu.org/wellchi/>

##### **For a registration form please contact:**

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Tel: +49 -(0)40-42838-3545

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## Social Movements Conference

Manchester Metropolitan University,  
Manchester,  
19-21st April 2006

From 1995 to 2005, Manchester Metropolitan University hosted a series of very successful annual international conferences on 'ALTERNATIVE FUTURES and POPULAR PROTEST'. We're very happy to announce that the Eleventh AF&PP Conference will be held, between Wednesday 19th April and Friday 21st April 2006.

The Conference rubric remains as in previous years. The aim is to explore the dynamics of popular movements, along with the ideas which animate their activists and supporters and which contribute to shaping their fate.

Reflecting the inherent cross-disciplinary nature of the issues, previous participants (from over 40 countries) have come from such specialisms as sociology, politics, cultural studies, social psychology, economics, history and geography. The Manchester conferences have also been notable for discovering a fruitful and friendly meeting ground between activism and academia.

### Call for papers:

We invite offers of papers relevant to the conference themes. Papers should address such matters as:

- \* contemporary and historical social movements and popular protests
- \* social movement theory
- \* utopias and experiments
- \* ideologies of collective action
- \* etc.

To offer a paper, please contact either of the conference convenors, by *6th February 2006*, with a brief abstract:

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### Conference Papers:

Those giving papers are asked to supply them in advance, for inclusion in the bound volumes of papers which will be available from the conference opening.

\* Preferred method: send the paper to Colin Barker as an email attachment in Word.

\* if this is impossible, post two single-spaced copies to Mike Tyldesley, on A4 or US Letter paper, with one inch margins, and with a copy of the text on a DOS floppy or CD disk in MS Word format

\* Word limit 7,000 words

\* Final date for receipt of abstracts: Monday 6th February 2006

\* Final date for receipt of actual papers: Monday 20th March 2006

\* Participants who do not supply their papers by the final date are asked to bring 50 copies to the Conference for distribution. Advance submission is much preferred, since the bound volumes of papers are sent to the British Library but loose papers are excluded.

## Industrial Relations and Social Standards in an Internationalized Economy

**Conference of the ESA Research Network "Industrial Relation, Labour Market Institutions and Employment" and the Collaborative Research Center 580 "Social Developments after Structural Change"**

Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena,  
Germany,  
16-18th November 2006

The interrelation of industrial relationships and social standards regarding the process of economic transnationalization has been controversially discussed.

In general, there seems to be agreement on the fact that collective regulation patterns and social standards of labour are subject to an increasing pressure of justification.

Key words are: a) re-regulation, flexibilisation and precarisation of work and employment conditions due to a watering down of normative standards in labour law, in social and employment policy and in wage agreements, b) proceeding loss of significance of collective employment regulation and its actors (such as unions and employers' associations), c) internalisation of employment relationships by firms.

These developments, depending on the point of view of the authors, are partially seen as a threat to social achievements. It has been argued that the strategies of the firms often presuppose a high level of security for investments in products, processes and qualifications. Firms or employees respectively cannot guarantee the safeguarding of these collective goods by themselves. Concerns have been raised that the consequences of

transnationalisation even undermine the basic principles of economic prosperity in medium-term.

Other authors appreciate this development. According to them, an enforcement of civil liberties against governmental and corporativistic regulation regimes is proposed. The cutback of collective or generalised patterns of regulation is connected to the opportunity to perform economic adaptation faster and more efficient and to improve allocation on the labour markets.

Regarding this discussion, the following questions are supposed to be in focus at the conference.

\* What are the consequences of the process of transnationalisation of firms and financial capital concerning industrial relations and social standards?

\* Which social safeguards and institutional standards are necessary to provide employees and firms with sufficient security for future investments in qualification and new technologies and labour structures?

\* Which bargaining structures on firm-level, above firm-level, on national and international level are realistic and adequate to combine short-term single-interests of firms, investors and status groups, with societal interests towards opportunities of sharing and long-term security of collective goods?

Proposals for papers, which deal with these questions in different countries in an empirical way, are especially welcome.

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We have the intention to publish the written version of the lectures after their examination. These manuscripts are supposed to be on hand for the conference.



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- \* Guidelines for Research Networks  
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- \* What Research Networks are for  
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# News for Research Networks

## A Message to Research Networks

Thank you again to all the research networks who have updated their contact information to the executive and the research network committee. Please make sure that your contact information is correct in the ESA web-pages too.

The ESA president and the executive consider the work of research networks as crucial in the context of the ESA conferences.

A decision has been made to establish a new 'External Relations' committee. This issue will be discussed further in the next executive committee meeting in early May 2006. The research networks have been asked to submit a proposal for a participant in this 'External Relations' committee in the ESA. This committee would discuss issues relating to, for example, ERC (European Research Council) and ISE (Initiative for Science in

Europe). Please send proposals for a representative from the RNs to participate in this External Relations committee. Please get in touch with Tuula Gordon (Tuula.Gordon@Helsinki.Fi) about this issue - we look forward to hearing from you.

Please remember, too, that there will be a joint meeting Co-ordinators of Research Networks at the Glasgow conference 3-6th September 2007. The idea is to discuss whether the Research Networks would, for example, wish to establish a Council in order to have a more solid organisational collaboration and influence on the policies of the ESA. Representatives of RNs are welcome to make further suggestions as well.

As the ESA is financially in a relatively good position at the moment, we have increased the amount of money that can be

applied for by RNs as a contribution to mid-term conferences as well as for website development and maintenance (€1000 altogether). We are pleased to note that several research networks have made use of this opportunity. This demonstrates that there is a great deal of commitment in the RNs to develop the work they are doing under the auspices of the ESA.

The next executive meeting takes place in Glasgow in May 2006. Please keep this date in mind when you plan your communications to the executive. We look forward to the conference in 2007 on 'Conflict, Citizenship and Civil Society'.

With best wishes the Research Networks Committee

*Tuula Gordon* (vice president for RNs), *Sara Arber*, *Sokratis Koniordis* and *Valerij Mansurov*

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In order to make it possible to join the European Sociological Association even between the ESA-conferences and to provide an easier way for the registration, a new internet payment system has been set up.

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