

Social Science News

July 2011

Call for papers
Conferences

Of Cosmopolitanism and Cosmologies

Date: September 2-3, 2011,

Site: Telč, Czech Republic

Organiser: Czech Association for Social Anthropology (CASA), Slovak Association of Social Anthropologists (SASA)

Topics: The organizers invite scholars and students of social anthropology and related disciplines to address the following questions and to develop their own themes for panels focusing directly or indirectly on the anthropological investigation of cosmopolitanism, understood most broadly as a historically, socially or culturally situated phenomenon: The narrative of internationalism during socialism operated sometimes explicitly in opposition to cosmopolitanism. What is the plight of this narrative after 1990? Conceptions of self and "other" are often revealed in relation to cosmological settings. What are the current ontologies of self and other in post-socialist Europe? The "culturalization of poverty" could be seen as a new millennial narrative. How can we read this global escape to culture against existing social inequalities?; Kant linked cosmopolitanism to the principle of universal hospitality. What could be made of that link if we take into account the renewed interest of anthropology in hospitality?; Do new religious movements influencing various marginal groups in CEE reveal any cosmopolitan ethos?; In the increasingly interconnected and complex world new cosmo-political alliances and identities have been forming across social and environmental movements (around issues such as global poverty, climate justice, agriculture etc.). How are the local and trans-local loyalties and stakes played out in these movements?

Language: English (plenary session); English, Slovak, **Fee:** 600 CZK (25 €) and Czech (panel sessions)

Deadline: July 8, 2011. The abstracts should be send to SASA.CASA.11@gmail.com

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Internet: http://www.casaonline.cz/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/Cfp_CASA-SASA_2011.pdf

(source: Internet)

4th ENQUIRE Postgraduate Conference Identity Research: Past, Present and Future

Date: September 6-7, 2011

Site: Nottingham, UK

Organiser: Electronic Nottingham Quarterly for Ideas, Research and Evaluation (ENQUIRE)

Topics: This conference aims to bring together post-graduate and early career researchers with an interest in identity, to explore the development, current applications and possible futures of identity research. Example themes for papers include, but are not limited to, identity and: Gender and sexuality; Culture; Institutions; Technology; Politics; Health and illness; Disability; Methodological issues.

Language: English

Deadline: July 11, 2011

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Internet: <http://www.enquirenottingham.co.uk/index.php/enquire-conference-2011-identity-research>

(source: Internet)

11th International Postgraduate Conference on Central and Eastern Europe: "Crisis: Interruptions, Reactions and Continuities in Central and Eastern Europe"

Date: February 15-17, 2012

Site: London, UK

Organiser: School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London

Topics: This conference examines the concept of crisis from a plethora of disciplinary angles within the Central and Eastern European context. It offers a platform for discussing a complex set of interactions, interruptions and continuities that various forms of crises provoke. The conference invites postgraduate students and early career researchers in the Humanities and Social Sciences to take part in an interdisciplinary debate about the nature, meaning, causes and results of crises in Central and Eastern Europe, including South-East Europe, Russia and the countries of the former USSR. The disciplines include, but are not limited to, anthropology, art history, cultural and literary studies, economics, geography, history (medieval to modern), linguistics, politics and sociology. Topics include but not limited to the following areas: financial and economic crises; social crises, gender and sexuality struggles, crises of memory and identity, crises of values, crisis of political activism; environmental and energy crises; existential crises, crises of the subject, philosophical, religious and confessional crises; representation of

crises in literature, film and drama; institutional, political and security crises, crises of regime, succession and legitimacy, crises of empire; urban crises, rural and agrarian crises.

Language: English

Deadline: July 15, 2011

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Internet: <http://www.ssees.ucl.ac.uk/postgradconf2012.htm>

(source: Internet)

Europe Inside-Out: Europe and Europeaness Exposed to Plural Observers

Date: September 22-24, 2011

Site: Vienna, Austria

Organiser: Euroacademia

Topics: The first Global Conference aims exactly to refresh a broader approach and understanding of Europe by enlarging the platform of regular conferences and workshops for a wider arena of participants and disciplinary backgrounds in order to put on stage a worldwide monadology for such concerns. The conference aims to enable critical alternatives to the disciplinary orthodoxy by creating a framework for interaction and dissemination of diversity that has to become once more a European trademark. The conference also aims to become a constructive confrontational space for alternative methodologies, provocative puzzles, inter, multi and trans-disciplinary understandings for wider and also for thinner specialized issues of concern on or about Europe of today. In a way, such a conference aims to become a moment of return to the European specificity of critical self-understanding through dialogue and debate with all the discursive or narrative traditions that directly or indirectly constitute its self. What is Europe and its place in the world? Is there something particular that sedimented in time and through a controversial history a European way? How does Europe see itself and how do others see it? Is Europe inclusive or club-based exclusive? Is Europe becoming a normative power or just envisages itself as one? Is the European multiculturalism a fact or an ideal? Is the European Union a reflection of Europe or an appropriation of it? These are just few questions out of an enormous space for inquiry that are to be addressed and confronted within the topic of the conference.

Language: English

Fee: 295 €

Deadline: July 15, 2011. The applications should be send to: application@euroacademia.eu

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(source: Internet)

8th International Conference on Social Science Methodology (RC33)

Date: July 9-13, 2012

Site: Sydney, Australia

Organiser: ISA Research Committee on Logic and Methodology, RC33

Topics: The aim of the conference is to disseminate knowledge and promote methodological debate with the goal of contributing to the scientific development of social science research, particularly by building the evidence base to evaluate the efficacy, efficiency and rigour of the methods and techniques of social science research. The organizers welcome papers on all aspects of social science methodology, including but not restricted to: critiques and analysis of the philosophical paradigms that underpin the logic of social research; issues in the formulation of research questions; the design of social research; methods of collecting data, and analysing them; research technologies; and issues relating social science methodology to research consumers. The focus of each presentation will be a methodological issue. Papers concerned solely on the application of a technique are not acceptable, but are welcomed papers that illustrate a methodological issue or problem within the context of a substantive research study.

Language: English

Deadline: July 29, 2011

E-mail: rc33conference@acspri.org.au

Internet: <http://conference.acspri.org.au/index.php/rc33/2012/index>

(source: email from organizer)

Religion, Conflict, Violence and Tolerance in Global Perspectives

Date: January 27-30, 2012

Site: Abuja, Nigeria

Organiser: ISA Research Committee in collaboration with Pan-African Strategic and Policy Research Group

Topics: This international interdisciplinary conference will seek to focus on theoretical perspectives, case studies to generate more nuanced analysis of social contexts from different times and places, giving greater historical depth to social scientific interpretations of conflict/violence and tolerance in contemporary societies. The conference aims to foster social scientific expertise on religion, conflict and violence at multiple levels of analysis, ranging from interpersonal forms of violence to ethnic, class and civil conflicts. It will explore ways in which religion is, and is not, implicated in conflict/violence commissioned by State or non-State actors, the ways in which religious groups

respond to or negotiate violence, the lived religious meanings of conflict/violence, tolerance and conflict-resolution, or the construction of religious groups as sources of conflict/violence.

Language: English

Deadline: July 30, 2011

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(source: Internet)

8th European Feminist Research Conference: The Politics of Location Revisited: Gender@2012

Date: May 17-20, 2012

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Central European University, Department of Gender Studies and AtGender, the European Association for Gender Research, Education and Documentation

Topics: The Conference welcomes papers that keep in focus the connections among a number of relevant axes that frame current researches in the field. The organizers have in mind connections between disciplines and interdisciplinarity; the past, the present and the future; gender and intersectionality; activism and power; local and global; margin and center. The strands listed below indicate the main lines of inquiry around which the Conference will be structured. Conference Strands are: 01 Women's and Gender Studies between Neo-discipline and Interdisciplinarity; 02 Rooting and Shifting (in) Feminist Research: Assessing the 'Turns' in Feminist Theory; 03 Teaching 'Gender' across the Borders of the Human, Social, Natural and Biomedical Sciences; 04 Located at Crossroads of Race and Gender: Intersectional Analysis in Women's and Gender Studies; 05 Shifting Sexualities, Masculinities and Femininities: LGBTQI; 06 Revisiting 'Equality vs. Difference': Feminism in the 21st Century; 07 Triple Helix of Social Inclusion: Connecting Activism, Policy-making and Gender Research; 08 Feminist Legacies, Feminist Futures: Generating Feminisms; 09 The Politics of Migration: Transnational Feminisms?; 10 Re-Imagining 'Europe': Imperialism, Post-State Socialism and Multiculturalism in the 21st Century; 11 Violence Revisited: Security, War and Peace Narrated; 12 Religion Revisited: Spirituality, Gender and the Post-Secular; 13 Creativity Reconsidered: Rethinking Feminist Art, Media and Technological Practices.

Language: English

Fee: 70-300 €

Deadline: July 31, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Towards a European Society? Transgressing Disciplinary Boundaries in European Studies Research

Date: June 28-30, 2012

Site: Portsmouth, UK

Organiser: Centre for European and International Studies Research, University of Portsmouth

Topics: The organizer proposes discussion of the following broad themes in contemporary and historical perspective, but the organizer also welcomes proposals for panels with a different focus which nevertheless – importantly – transgress disciplinary boundaries: Libert , egalit , fraternit : society and state formation in Europe; Governing Europe: transnational fields and networks; Europeanization? Changing national and sub-national polities; Language: barrier to Europeanization?; Inclusion and exclusion: Immigrants and minorities in national and European societies; Unity in diversity? The local and regional in Europe; Contact and convergence: popular culture as banal Europeanization?; Museums, theatres, cinema: transnationalizing high culture in Europe; Changing the Other: Europe in the world

Language: English

Deadline: July 31, 2011. The proposals should be sent to donna.ferrand@port.ac.uk

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Twenty Years of Macedonian Independence: mirroring economic, political and policy developments

Date: September 8-10, 2011

Site: Skopje, Macedonia

Organiser: Center for Research and Policy Making (CRPM), School of Public Policy "Mother Theresa"

Topics: The conference will include five panels covering various aspects of the political and social developments in Macedonia in the last twenty years. The panels will focus around the following themes: 1) Twenty years of democratic development in Macedonia: politics and policies of democratization and consolidation; 2) Nation-building/nation branding in Macedonia; 3) Lessons from multicultural policies in Macedonia for the region and beyond; 4) Macedonia and the EU: love at second sight; 5) Twenty years of economic development in Macedonia: issues and challenges. The organizers welcome paper proposals by academics, researchers, practitioners and doctoral students in the social and economic sciences and humanities.

Language: English

Deadline: August 1, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Victims of Crime and War: International and National Contexts

Date: November 24-25, 2011

Site: Belgrade, Serbia

Organiser: Victimology Society of Serbia

Topics: The Conference aims to bring together experts and researchers who are dealing with problems of crime and war victims, both theoretically and practically, from the perspective of different disciplines, and to enable constructive discussion, comprehensive exchange and connection of various experiences and knowledge. Experiences and problems of crime and war victims as well as social responses to them will be considered both separately and in their mutual coherence and similarities. Particular attention will be put on considering problems of victims in the context of the latest EU and the Council of Europe packages of measures, UN Resolution 1325 as well as in connection to the obligations of Serbia in regard to determining the facts about war crimes and facing the past. This years' Conference will also have a preparatory character for the 14th Symposium of the World Society of Victimology titled Justice for Victims, which will be held in The Netherlands in 2012. The conference work will be organized through: Plenary sessions; Thematic sessions; Workshops.

Language: English

Fee: 100 € (before 20 September 2011); 150 € (after 20 September 2011); 80 € (for only one day)

Deadline: August 15, 2011

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(source: Internet)

9th International Conference "Crossroads in Cultural Studies"

Date: July 2-6, 2012

Site: Paris, France

Organiser: Sorbonne Nouvelle University, UNESCO

Topics: The conference is open to all topics related to Cultural Studies. Here are some suggested topics for paper presenters as food for thought: Multiculturalism and Europe; Democratization and New Media; Arab and Muslim Revolutions; Postcolonial Africa; Green Studies / Environmental Justice; Transmedia and Convergence Culture; The Tourist Gaze and Catastrophes; Regional/Local Identities and Languages; The Postnational Era; Economics, Crisis and Culture; Food, Tastes and Identities; Sexualities and Nationalisms; Gender, Parenthood and Relationships; Transgender Perspectives; Religion, Beliefs and Cultural Theory; Politics of Affects; Animal Studies and Posthumanity; Disability Studies; Fashion and Media.

Language: English

Deadline: September 30, 2011

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Internet: <http://www.crossroads2012.org/?q=en/node/5>

(source: Internet)

Complex Gaze at a Complex World: Challenges of Comparison in Social Research

Date: May 25-27, 2012

Site: St. Petersburg, Russia

Organiser: Centre for Independent Social Research (CISR)

Topics: The goal of the conference is to contribute to the discussion, designed to articulate the benefits, possibilities, problems, and effects of the social studies of complex designs. The organizer invites social researchers with the experience of empirical comparative, multidisciplinary, multi-sited projects conducted either individually, or in teams. Through exploring specific studies as examples, the organizer would like to discuss the benefits and limitations of the studies of complex design. The organizer plans to devote special attention to the issues and strategies involved in comparing research outcomes, the reflections of participants in collective research projects on the organization and execution of fieldwork, data analysis and interpretation, and collaborative work on co-authoring reports, articles, and books. During the course of the conference the organizers hope to engage the following questions: What should be compared in social research, and how should it be compared? Is there a problem of "incomparable" data?; What are the strengths and weaknesses of comparative research projects (as opposed to empirical research designs, which do not include a comparative dimension)?; What are the different approaches to managing co-thinking, co-working, and co-writing?; Is there a link between an increased complexity of research design and the depth and quality of sociological conclusions?; How does the institutional context (international funding programs, competitive grant and fellowships), and the market conditions, and pressures influence the choice of research designs?

Language: English

Fee: \$100

Deadline: October 1, 2011

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(source: e-mail from the organizer)

2nd International Conference on Human and Social Sciences, ICHSS 2012

Date: March 23-25, 2012

Site: Tirana, Albania

Organiser: MCSER-Mediterranean Center of Social and Educational Research, Faculty of Human Sciences of La Sapienza University of Rome

Topics: The conference will address interdisciplinary practices across the social and human sciences. Are encouraged to register and attend this Conference all academics, researchers or scholars. In the spirit of interdisciplinary interchange, the Conference will involve scholars, teachers and researchers working in a broad range of areas including: Education, Anthropology, Applied Sciences, Behavioural Sciences, Cognitive Science, Literature, Language, Communications, History, Economics, Environmental Sciences, Health Sciences, Humanities, Interdisciplinary Studies, Law, Management, Media, Politics, Public Policy, Psychology, Qualitative Methods, Quantitative Methods, Social Welfare, Sociology and Technology, and other areas related to the themes of this Conference.

Language: English

Fee: 100 € (for a Virtual Presentation); 150 € (for In-Person Presentation)

Deadline: November 20, 2011

Contact:

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The Panel After the Fall, Behind the Wall - East European Representations of the German-speaking West

Date: March 15-18, 2012

Site: Rochester, New York, US

Organiser: Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA)

Topics: After the Fall, Behind the Wall - East European Representations of the German-speaking West will be organized in the framework of the 2012 convention. With the fall of the Iron Curtain Eastern Europe became more readily accessible to the Western world and also more critical in its own views of the West. Against this background, this panel will explore representations of the German-speaking West in East European literature, art, and film.

Language: English

Deadline: September 30, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Call for papers Workshops

International Summer Workshop: The Re-birth of civil society? Theory and practice of the new civic movements in Eastern Europe. Case studies on migration, environmentalism and cultural heritage

Date: August 29 - September 3, 2011

Site: Budapest, Hungary

Organiser: Palantír Film Foundation (Budapest), Medius Terrae (Italy), University of Bergamo (Italy)

Topics: The Third Summer Workshop will contribute to deepen the theoretical and applied knowledge of civil society in the context of the EU enlargement, with a regional focus on Hungary. The Workshop is structured in three parts: lectures, case studies and practice sessions which will stir original hints and intense multidisciplinary discussion. In particular, the case studies and practice sessions will focus on three fields of civic activism: environmentalism, migration and cultural heritage.

Language: English

Fee: 720 €

Deadline: July 7, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Doing Research on Europe and the EU: Topics, Puzzles and Challenges

Date: October 27-30, 2011

Site: Graz, Austria

Organiser: Euroacademia

Topics: The Workshop aims to bring together graduate students, doctoral and post-doctoral researchers in an interactive platform for sharing, disseminating, and assessing ongoing research focused on topics of specific saliency in understanding past, current or future developments in Europe or connected to the European Union. The workshop is addressed to young researchers and creates a special opportunity for them to share their work with their colleagues but also to have a chance to expose their work to public scrutiny and receive valuable feedback both from other participants and professors and experts that will act as advisors and discussants for specific work-groups divided by topics and/or methodology. Graduate students, doctoral candidates, post-doctoral and young researchers are welcomed to submit an abstract.

Language: English

Fee: 150 €

Deadline: September 15, 2011; The applications should be send to: application@euroacademia.eu

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Internet: <http://euroacademia.eu/conferences/doing-research-on-europe-and-the-eu-topics-puzzles-and-challenges/>

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Call for papers Summer Schools

Crossing National Borders: People, Goods, Capital, and Ideas

Date: September 19-22, 2011

Site: Leipzig, Germany

Organiser: Research Academy Leipzig

Topics: The Summer School will pursue three main objectives: A primary aim is to foster an exchange between representatives of various fields, each with its own respective range of instruments that work out empirical analyses of transnationalization (or simply, transnational processes); A second objective is to acquaint oneself with the debates surrounding transnationalization in the various disciplines, as well as to promote dialogue with objections that have been formulated against the focus upon the transnational phenomenon; Finally, the purpose of the Summer School is to seek answers as to why certain societies are situated stronger in their focus upon transnational research than others, and whether this (from a critically reflexive research perspective) reveals the continuing dissimilarities between the various disciplines and academic cultures, or whether it is a revelation of representative characteristics of the particular disciplines.

Language: English, German

Fee: 50 €

Deadline: July 6, 2011; the application should be send via Post and via E-Mail

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(source:Internet)

Summer School in Holocaust Studies: "The Diverse Survival Strategies of Jewish and Roma Communities in Macedonia: From Resistance to Memorialization"

Date: September 26-October 3, 2011

Site: Ohrid, Republic of Macedonia

Organiser: Institute for Social and Humanities Research "Euro-Balkan"

Topics: The central interest of the School is focused on opening up the discussion about the memorialisation of the Holocaust experience in Macedonia, and in particular focusing for the first time on Roma people as victims of genocide violence, by taking the Holocaust as an important factor in the formation of Macedonia's historic and socio-cultural past. The presence of the Jewish narrative in Macedonia will be compared to the scarce but important data on Roma people among other minority groups - victims of the Holocaust (homosexuals, disabled people, etc.). By promoting the memorialisation of Jewish and Roma experiences in a comparative perspective from the Macedonian context and their "strategies of survival", in this Summer School the organizer takes as a starting point an attempt to further thematise and raise awareness of the systemic violence of the Holocaust through inter-disciplinary academic discussion.

Language: English

Deadline: July 15, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Single Motherhood in Africa. Summer School in Applied Psycho-social Research in Contexts of Marginalization and Cultural Diversity

Date: August 27-September 24, 2011)

Site: Nairobi, Kenya

Organiser: Postgraduate School of Psychology-ASAG

Topics: The School is designed as an opportunity for interaction between academia and civil society organizations, with the possibility to implement projects based on actual field research. The 2011 Edition of the Summer School is focused on the multi-method investigation of the single mothers phenomenon in Africa, thematizing its causes and psychosocial implications and envisaging the realization and production of one or more documentaries. The Summer School aims to train professional identities capable of working in an integrated multidisciplinary team, with a solid methodological background and adequate capacity to manage the challenges posed by the otherness of the context of action, capable of realizing appropriate documentary forms. Due to its residentiality, the School, as well as to promote learning, encourages the establishment of networks of research and study among young Italians and Kenyans, stimulating the exchange and comparison of diverse experiences.

Language: English

Fee: 2.500 € + VAT (20%)

Deadline: July 22, 2011; the completed application form should be send by email to coord.altescuole@unicatt.it or Fax

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Call for papers Journals

Identity Studies: Political Theology

Place of publication: Tbilisi, Georgia

Type of publication: online

Publication date: November 20, 2011

Published by/ edited by: Ilia State University

Topics: The issue will focus on social, anthropological, political, cultural, religious studies regarding political theology. Political theology is an ancient term, but it received its modern significance in the 20s of the last century thanks to the work by Carl Schmitt, for whom it was itself a political i.d. war concept. After undergoing transformations and acquiring new connotations within the Catholic and Protestant theologies, the terms tended in the last decades to acquire a more descriptive meaning, designating the intertwining and intersection between theological and political discourses, between religious order and political community. The editors seek innovative approaches in the analysis of religious content in specific political discourses, looking at political theology from the angles of - including but not restricted to - religious studies, sociology, political science, philosophy, history and cultural studies. Articles concerning concrete religious traditions and the place of the political within them are especially welcome.

Deadline: July 10, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Health, Culture and Society

Type of publication: online

Publication date: late August 2011

Published by/ edited by:

Topics: The theme of the first issue of HCS will be "perspectives". The international editorial committee invites contributions from researchers, workers and professionals who can relate the social urgencies and efforts of the realities they face as well as the changes they seek to implement. Areas: anthropology; health; social and community development; regional health research; national and global health awareness; mental health; quality of life issues; health legislation; health research, training and education; the social history of medicine; philosophies of health; mental health; cultural psychiatry; the history of medicine

Deadline: July 15, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Special issue of Acta Universitatis Sapientiae, Social Analysis: Social media in post-communist Europe

Place of publication: Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Type of publication: print/online

Publication date:

Published by/ edited by: Scientia Publishing House

Topics: The forthcoming, 2/2011 issue seeks to investigate the many facets, challenges and risks social media can play in the making and remaking of today's society. The editors are especially interested in empirical studies and theoretically well-grounded discourses which analyse the rising of network society in post-socialist contexts. Common wisdom assesses that this part of the world constitutes a laggard in terms of Internet penetration and access to digital devices. Meanwhile, Internet, social media, web 2, etc. represent an emerging social reality in these countries as well. The editors wish to look beyond the common sense and to seek answers on the following main questions: How social media are received and used in these countries in order to link different levels and strata of the social? How and to what degree the Internet can contribute to the dissolution of social inequalities or, on the contrary, are we legitimated to talk about new, specific, Internet-mediated inequalities in this part of the world? How the Internet and social media are used, misused and abused in specific areas of the social (e.g. education, research, health-care, business, leadership, etc.)? How and to what degree the Internet in general and social media in particular can contribute to social and political campaigns and mobilizations?

Deadline: July 31, 2011

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(source: Internet)

Mediterranean Journal of Social Sciences (MJSS)

Place of publication:

Type of publication:

Publication date: September 2011

Published by/ edited by: Mediterranean Center of Social and Educational Research

Topics: Mediterranean Journal of Social Sciences (MJSS) publishes research papers in the fields of Mediterranean and World Culture, Sociology, Philosophy, Linguistics, Literature, Education, History, History of Religion, Anthropology, Statistics, Politics, Laws, Psychology and Economics. However researches in all social science fields are welcome. MJSS is open for the academic world and research institutes, academic and departmental libraries, graduate students and PhD candidates, academic and non-academic researchers and research teams.

Deadline: August 1, 2011

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Romanian Journal of Society and Politics (RJSP)

Place of publication: Bucharest, Romania

Type of publication: online

Publication date:

Published by/ edited by: Faculty of Political Science at the National School of Political Science and Public Administration, "Project for Civic Education and Academic Development" Foundation

Topics: RJSP is accepting high quality, publishable research papers relevant for political science, political theory, international relations, European studies and security studies. Manuscripts will be accepted on the understanding that their content is original. The Romanian Journal of Society and Politics does not consider submissions currently under review at other journals or those that duplicate or overlap significantly with materials that have been submitted to other publishers. Submissions must demonstrate excellence in conceptualization, exposition, methodology, and craftsmanship. All manuscripts must be formatted according to Oxford Style Guide.

Deadline: September 1, 2011

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Studies of Transition States and Societies

Place of publication: Tallinn, Estonia

Type of publication: online/print

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Published by/ edited by: Institute of Political Science and Governance and Institute of International and Social Studies, Tallinn University

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Thematic issue of the International Journal of Euro-Mediterranean Studies: Entangled Histories? Trans-Cultural Encounters and Social Mobility in the Arab Mediterranean

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Topics: Taking as its starting point the view that movements across the Mediterranean were multi-directional, be they official, clandestine or unseen, this special issue seeks to make a contribution to innovative research, empirical/archival and/or conceptual, and thus to enhance present debates about the Mediterranean as a sea that unites rather than divides. A multi-layered picture and understanding of processes of exchange may challenge paradigms of historical explanation that are still premised on deterministic frameworks of colonialism, post-coloniality, and westernization, and hence to maintain unilateral and univocal modes of analysis. In particular, the editors invite papers, based on new historical research, that would offer critical insights into the contemporary fetishes of culture and mobility, or that give due weight to non-political agency in comparative or croisée histories. We would especially welcome contributions that focus on institutions, various forms of agency, translations (in the

widest possible sense), life experiences, re-conceptualizations and recastings of centre and periphery relations, or symbolic geographies of the Levant and the Arab world in their Ottoman and Mediterranean contexts.

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Studia paedagogica: Educating the Adults

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Publication date: June 2012

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Topics: The monothematic issue of *Studia paedagogica* entitled *Educating the Adults* will bring the opportunity for various levels of thinking about its topic. Questions in this context may be the following: How do adult educators cope with the needs to develop their own professional skills? What is the appropriate and real expertise of people involved in the process of adult education? What is their professional profile? What are the specifics of pedagogical interaction with adults? How do adult educators think about their work? How do they solve the problems of work efficiency and what methods do they choose? To what extent are their practices based on theories of learning and to what extent are these processes intuitive? How do educators of adults protect themselves from stress and how do they solve the problems of mental hygiene? The following questions, among others, are associated with consideration: How can learners actively participate in defining the objectives, conditions and processes of education? How are the expressed needs reflected in the learning process? How much space in adult education is given to negotiations about orders for education? How do learners with their attitudes co-determine the processes of education? How much does the fulfilment of educational objectives depend on the learners and how much responsible do learners and other participants feel for the results? What kind of motivation do adults start their education with?

Deadline: November 15, 2011

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Grants/Jobs/Internships

LSE Fellow in Sociology (Part Time)

Institution/Organiser: The London School of Economics and Political Science

Kind of support/work: fellow

Duration: One Year

Site: London, UK

Topics: Main Duties and Responsibilities are: Contributing to the scholarship and intellectual life of the School by conducting teaching which will enhance the School's high reputation as a research-led teaching institution; Supervising, teaching and examining undergraduate and master's level students through lectures, seminars, course work and tutorials; Acting as personal tutor and providing pastoral care; Supervising personal tutees for their end of year dissertation, participating in dissertation workshops throughout the year and referring supervisees to expert advisors where appropriate; Holding regular office hours (at least 2 per week); Marking practice essays, assessed essays and exam papers during the academic year and marking dissertations; Proof-reading exam papers and organising exam script distribution and collation of marks to/from markers; Undertaking examination-related duties, such as invigilation and script marking, as required; Participating in regular teaching meetings, with academics and administrators involved in the course(s); Identifying learning needs of students and defining appropriate learning objectives.

Eligibility: Teaching experience and interest in teaching in the field of Sociology; A developing record of publications in refereed journals; A commitment to academic research; Ability and willingness to work as part of a team under the guidance of the Head of Department; An ability to relate their specialist work to the context of a Sociology Department within a social science institution; Demonstrable, excellent communication skills with students, academics and academic support staff; A commitment to high quality teaching and fostering a positive learning environment for students.

Deadline: July 12, 2011; to apply for this post please go to www.lse.ac.uk/JobsatLSE and select "Visit the ONLINE RECRUITMENT SYSTEM web page"

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Professor of Sociology

Institution/Organiser: Department of Sociology of the Faculty of Political and Social Sciences at the University of Antwerp

Kind of support/work: full-time job

Site: Antwerp, Belgium

Topics: The applicants will be expected: to teach the following courses: "Study of the Sociology and Policy of Space and Environment, City and Housing" (15 credit points, co-teaching), "Sociology of Sustainable Development" (6 credits) and "Sociology Seminar" (6 credits); to develop research in the field of sociology of sustainable development and intentional social transition, more specifically the sociological analysis of the transition to a sustainable society (in the field of technology and/or environment and/or (urban) housing), and attract and manage research funding; to supervise Master theses in Sociology, Social Work and Socio-Economic Sciences; to teach in Dutch. The successful foreign applicant will be expected to teach in Dutch after a transition period of three years; to participate in councils and commissions as a representative of your Faculty, Department and Research Group.

Eligibility: PhD in Sociology or Political and Social Sciences (PhDs in related and relevant disciplines which explicitly prove affinity with sociological approaches will be considered); teaching and research qualities are linked to the policies of the university; expertise and broad experience in sustainable development and intentional social transition, more specifically with regard to technology and/or environment and/or (urban) housing; special attention to the relation between processes of social change on micro-, meso- and macro-level and the role of collective actors, organizations and discourses in change processes.

Deadline: Please fill out the [electronic form](#) by July 13, 2011

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Post-doc Transitional Justice: "Understanding the Age of Transitional Justice: Narratives in a Historical Perspective"

Institution/Organiser: The NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies

Kind of support/work: PhD position

Duration: four years

Site: Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Topics: The general goal of the NIOD program on Transitional justice is to contribute to understanding the impact and aftermath of mass state-sponsored human rights violations on post-genocidal, post-conflict, post-repressive societies. In pursuit of a conceptualization of generic mechanisms and factors that influence genocidal crimes and the subsequent transitional justice processes, this program opts for the portal of the personal, the legal, and the political narrative. It will examine the various phases and levels at which testimonies, or narratives of events, play a role in influencing the form of TJ undertaken by a given post-repressive society. The NIOD has created a PhD position in order to study the role, impact, and significance of testimonies in transitional justice.

Eligibility: Master's in History, Law, or Social- and Political Sciences; Professional experience on topics related to the program; Self-reliant; Experience with modern information technology; Professional attitude with excellent communication skills; Fluent English; Skilled in the development of proposals which could, via the content, design, and execution, fundamentally augment the Transitional Justice program.

Deadline: July 25, 2011; the applications with the subject line "Vacancy PhD Candidate TJ" should be send to vacature@niod.knaw.nl,

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Professor in Statistics and Social Research Methods (W3, Chair)

Institution/Organiser: School of Social Sciences at the University of Mannheim

Kind of support/work: job

Site: Mannheim, Germany

Topics: The organizer seeks a scholar with an innovative research agenda and teaching experience in social research methods.

Eligibility: The ideal candidate should have at least one substantial research area and internationally visible publications in the sociology of the family, education, or social mobility. The successful candidate should be committed to outstanding teaching in these fields and related courses offered in the B.A. and M.A./Ph.D. programs in sociology. Contributions to the research activities at the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES) are expected. The organizer explicitly welcomes participation in the social science doctoral program (taught in English) of the Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences (GESS). The successful candidate will demonstrate an excellent track record of publications in leading international journals, commitment to excellence in teaching, and the necessary academic qualifications, as documented by a Habilitation or work of comparable quality.

Deadline: 31 July, 2011; the applications should be submitted online at <http://jobs.sowi.uni-mannheim.de/>

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Instructor of Social Studies

Institution/Organiser: Northeastern State University (NSU)

Kind of support/work: job

Duration: 9 month (renewed annually)

Site: Tahlequah, USA

Topics: The principle purpose of this position includes observing and evaluating 7-15 secondary social studies intern teachers each semester and teaching the 3 credit secondary social studies methods course each semester. Conducting field observations of intern teachers requires three visits to each public school location during the semester, at least 2 days of travel each week, and preparing written evaluations for each visit. This position will also require teaching one other 3 credit course each semester, usually a survey class in American, European, or world history, geography or political science. Other duties include collecting and organizing assessment data for accreditation purposes, preparing assessment and accreditation reports, advising social studies education majors, and serving on committees related to social studies education.

Eligibility: Secondary teacher certification in social studies and experience teaching social studies in secondary schools required. College teaching experience preferred. Online teaching experience preferred. Experience in coordinating department outreach to public schools desirable. Master's degree required; doctorate preferred.

Deadline: August 15, 2011; Applications must be submitted using online application system

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