



Sociology of
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Objectives

To establish contacts and to encourage collaboration among scholars working in the field of sociology of occupational/professional groups throughout the world; to encourage the international exchange of research findings in the sociology of occupational/professional groups.

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Letter from the President of ISA RC52

Dear members and friends of ISA RC52,

Welcome to the November 2020 issue of the Newsletter for Research Committee 52 (Sociology of Professional Groups). With the COVID-19 pandemic expanding globally, major restrictions on daily life in order to prevent the spread of infection have been implemented. Social problems and disparities are increasing, and we realise the importance and urgency of a sociological perspective on COVID-19 times. Social scientists have been demonstrating that this is not just a health crisis, but also a social and political crisis that must be seen as a moment of rupture that will entail profound changes in our societies on a global scale.

How will the coronavirus experience affect the future of professions? Early adaptations for returning to worksites have already revealed changes in facilities and in interaction patterns in most work contexts. Workplaces are redefining interiors to accommodate social distancing, even when working directly with the public is integral to the job. After years of discussion around flexitime and working-from-home options, COVID-19 has reinforced that some professionals can work from home, and that people can meet on-line more cost effectively and safely than travelling to other parts of the world.

What are the greatest 'unknowns' faced by the professions? How will we work, live and thrive in the post-pandemic future? How is Covid-19 reshaping professions and professionalism? As all these questions arise, we realise the importance and urgency of what we must do to advocate the sociology of professional groups. I would like to work with you to contribute to this agenda.

Many events have been suspended or postponed. The ISA Forum, which was scheduled to take place in Porto Alegre, Brazil, in July 2020, has also been postponed to February 2021. Please take a look (page 6) to keep updated with the deadlines.

The RC52 Board held at an extra-ordinary Board meeting on 13 October 2020 and decided to cancel the ISA RC52 Interim Meeting scheduled for 2021. In order to support RC52 community, the Board decided to launch a series of webinars. RC52 Webinars Series will allow RC52 community to keep in touch and make our intellectual exchange lively along the pandemic. The first webinar will take place on 17 November 2020 and is entitled "***The Health Professions Workforce under COVID19***", with the participation of Tania Jenkins and Ellen Kuhlmann, chaired and organised by Board Member Tracey Adams (see page 7).

Please also look at the Notices section where you will find information on forthcoming events; calls for papers; recent and forthcoming publications with special attention to the latest issue of *Professions & Professionalism*. You can follow RC52 activities on the RC52 blog researchcommittee52.wordpress.com. The blog provides news and welcomes debates and announcements on the professions and professionalism; please contact blog Administrator Gitte Sommer Harrits (gitte@ps.au.dk).

Some words are due to all colleagues who contribute in different ways to the achievements of RC52. Many thanks to all for taking RC52 to such a strong position, with more than a hundred members drawn from nearly thirty countries – one of the larger International Sociological Association Research Committees. I would ask members of RC52 to encourage new members to join to add further to its size and diversity. Guidance on how to join the ISA and RC52 appear later in this Newsletter, as well as other matters of interest to readers.

With very best wishes for the New Year

Keep safe!!!
Helena

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Carta de la Presidente del Comité RC52 de ISA

Estimados miembros y amigos de ISA RC52
Bienvenidos a la edición de noviembre de 2020 del Boletín del Comité de Investigación 52 (Sociología de los Grupos Profesionales). Con la pandemia COVID-19 expandiéndose a nivel mundial, se han implementado importantes restricciones a la vida diaria para prevenir la propagación de la infección. Los problemas sociales y las disparidades están aumentando, y esto está evidenciando la importancia y urgencia de una perspectiva sociológica sobre los tiempos del COVID-19. Los científicos sociales han estado demostrando que no se trata sólo de una crisis sanitaria, sino también de una crisis social y política que debe verse como un momento de ruptura que implicará cambios profundos en nuestras sociedades a escala global.

¿Cómo afectará la experiencia del coronavirus el futuro de las profesiones? Las primeras adaptaciones para regresar a los lugares de trabajo ya han revelado cambios en las instalaciones y en los patrones de interacción en la mayoría de los contextos de trabajo. Los lugares de trabajo están redefiniendo los interiores para adaptarse al distanciamiento social, incluso cuando trabajar directamente con el público es parte integral del trabajo. Después de años de discusión en torno a la flexibilidad y el trabajo desde el hogar, la pandemia COVID-19 ha reforzado que algunos profesionales pueden trabajar desde casa, y que las personas pueden reunirse en línea de manera más rentable y segura que viajar a otras partes del mundo.

¿Cuáles son las mayores incógnitas a las que se enfrentan las profesiones? ¿Cómo trabajaremos, viviremos y prosperaremos en el futuro post-pandemia? ¿Cómo está remodelando el Covid-19 las profesiones y el profesionalismo? A medida que surgen

todas estas preguntas, se revela la importancia y la urgencia de lo que debemos hacer para abogar por estos temas desde la sociología de los grupos profesionales. Me gustaría trabajar con ustedes para contribuir a este programa.

Muchos eventos han sido suspendidos o pospuestos. El Foro isa, que estaba previsto que se llevara a cabo en Porto Alegre, Brasil, en julio de 2020, también se ha pospuesto a febrero de 2021. Por favor, eche un vistazo (página 6) para mantenerse al día con los plazos.

El 13 de octubre de 2020, la Junta de RC52 celebró una reunión extraordinaria y decidió cancelar la Reunión Provisional ISA RC52 prevista para 2021. Con el fin de apoyar a la comunidad RC52, la Junta decidió lanzar una serie de seminarios web. La serie de Webinars RC52 permitirá a la comunidad RC52 mantenerse en contacto y hacer que nuestro intercambio intelectual viva a lo largo de la pandemia. El primer seminario web tendrá lugar el 17 de noviembre de 2020 y se titula "**La fuerza de trabajo del sector salud bajo el COVID19**", con la participación de Tania Jenkins y Ellen Kuhlmann, presidida y organizada por la miembro de la Junta Tracey Adams (ver página 7).

Por favor, consulte también la sección de avisos donde encontrará información sobre los próximos eventos; llamadas para documentos; publicaciones recientes y futuras con especial atención al último número de *Profesiones y Profesionalismo*. Puede seguir las actividades del RC52 en el blog *researchcommittee52.wordpress.com*. El blog ofrece noticias y da la bienvenida a debates y anuncios sobre las profesiones y la profesionalidad; por favor, póngase en contacto con la Administradora del blog Gitte Sommer Harrits (gitte@ps.au.dk).

Algunas palabras se deben a todos los colegas que contribuyen de diferentes maneras a los logros del RC52. Muchas gracias a todos por llevar a RC52 a una posición tan fuerte, con más de un centenar de miembros procedentes de casi treinta países, uno de los comités de investigación de la Asociación Sociológica Internacional más grandes. Pediría a los miembros de RC52 que alentara a los nuevos miembros a unirse para aumentar aún más su tamaño y diversidad. Las instrucciones sobre cómo unirse a la ISA y RC52 aparecen más adelante en este Boletín, así como otros asuntos de interés para los lectores.

Con los mejores deseos para el Año Nuevo

Cúdense!!!

Helena
Presidenta del RC52 de ISA

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Lettre de la Présidente du RC52 de l'AIS

Chers membres et amis du CR52 de l'AIS.

Bienvenue à l'édition de novembre 2020 du Bulletin de nouvelles du Comité de recherche 52 (Sociologie des groupes professionnels). Suite à l'expansion mondiale de la pandémie de la COVID-19, d'importantes restrictions ont été mises en place dans la vie de tous les jours afin de prévenir d'autres infections. Les problèmes sociaux et les inégalités augmentent et nous constatons l'importance et l'urgence d'une perspective sociologique en ces temps de pandémie. Les spécialistes des sciences sociales ont démontré que cette crise - qui n'est pas seulement sanitaire, mais également sociale et politique - doit être vue comme un moment de rupture qui entraînera des changements profonds dans nos sociétés à l'échelle mondiale.

Comment l'expérience du coronavirus va-t-elle modifier les professions dans l'avenir? Les premières adaptations afin de revenir aux lieux de travail montrent déjà des changements dans les installations et les types d'interactions dans la plupart des contextes de travail. Les aménagements intérieurs des lieux de travail se transforment afin de respecter la distanciation sociale, même lorsque le contact direct avec le public fait partie intégrante du travail. Après des années à discuter d'horaires flexibles et d'options de télétravail, on a vu avec la COVID-19 que des professionnels peuvent travailler de leur domicile et que les gens peuvent organiser des rencontres en ligne plus rentables et sécuritaires qu'en se déplaçant dans d'autres régions du monde.

Quelles sont les plus grandes inconnues auxquelles font face les professions? Comment allons-nous travailler, vivre et réussir dans le futur post-pandémique? Comment la COVID-19 reconfigure-t-elle les professions et le professionnalisme? Face à toutes ces questions, nous réalisons l'importance et l'urgence de ce que nous devons faire pour mettre de l'avant la pertinence de la sociologie des groupes professionnels. J'aimerais travailler avec vous pour contribuer à ce programme.

Plusieurs événements ont été suspendus ou reportés. Le Forum de l'ASI, qui devait avoir lieu à Porto Alegre, au Brésil, en juillet 2020, a aussi été reporté en février 2021. Veuillez consulter en page 6 les informations quant aux échéances.

Le 13 octobre 2020, le Bureau du CR52 en rencontre exceptionnelle a décidé d'annuler la Rencontre intérimaire du CR52, qui devait avoir lieu en 2021. Afin de soutenir la communauté du CR52, le Bureau a décidé de lancer une série de webinaires. Cette série permettra à la communauté du CR52 d'entretenir ses liens et de conserver le dynamisme de ses échanges intellectuels durant la pandémie. Le premier webinaire aura lieu le 17 novembre 2020. Intitulé « **The Health Professions Workforce under COVID19** », on y verra les présentations de Tania Jenkins et Ellen Kuhlmann, présidé et organisé par Tracey Adams, membre du Bureau (voir en page 7).

Veuillez aussi parcourir la section des Notices, où vous trouverez des informations sur des événements en préparation, des appels à contributions, des publications récentes et à venir, dont en particulier le dernier numéro de *Professions & Professionalism*. Vous pouvez suivre les activités du CR52 sur son blogue

(researchcommittee52.wordpress.com). Celui-ci transmet des nouvelles et accueille débats et annonces en lien avec les professions et le professionnalisme. Pour toute question, vous pouvez communiquer avec son administratrice, Gittte Sommer Harrits (gittte@ps.au.dk).

Il me faut dire quelques mots à propos de tous les collègues qui contribuent à divers titres aux réussites du CR52. Grands mercis à tous pour amener le CR52 à une position si dynamique, avec plus d'une centaine de membres issus de près de 30 pays, ce qui en fait un des comités de recherche les plus étendus parmi ceux de l'Association internationale de sociologie. J'aimerais inviter les membres du CR52 à encourager de nouveaux membres à rejoindre nos rangs, afin d'accroître notre taille et notre diversité. Vous trouverez plus loin dans ce bulletin, des informations pour adhérer à l'ASI et au CR52, ainsi que plusieurs autres sujets d'intérêt pour les lecteurs.

Meilleurs souhaits pour la nouvelle année
Demeurez en santé!!!

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IV ISA Forum of Sociology

Porto Alegre, Brazil • February 23-27, 2021 • Events Center PUCRS



FORUM ONLINE



www.isa-sociology.org

IV ISA FORUM OF SOCIOLOGY Challenges of the 21st Century: Democracy, Environment, Inequalities, Intersectionality

ISA RC52 'Professional Groups'

Given the COVID-Pandemic the ISA Executive Committee decided to hold the IV ISA Forum of Sociology online, from 23-27 February 2021.

Presenters were given the opportunity to indicate (by 15 October) whether they would still be presenting their papers. There after the programme is open for the submission of new abstracts

Important Deadlines

- Submission of new abstracts **via online platform**
26 October – 12 November 2020 24:00 GMT
find the link at <https://www.isa-sociology.org/en/conferences/forum/porto-alegre-2021>
- Acceptance notifications – sent by Confex
24 November 2020
- Presenters' registration deadline
15 December 2020

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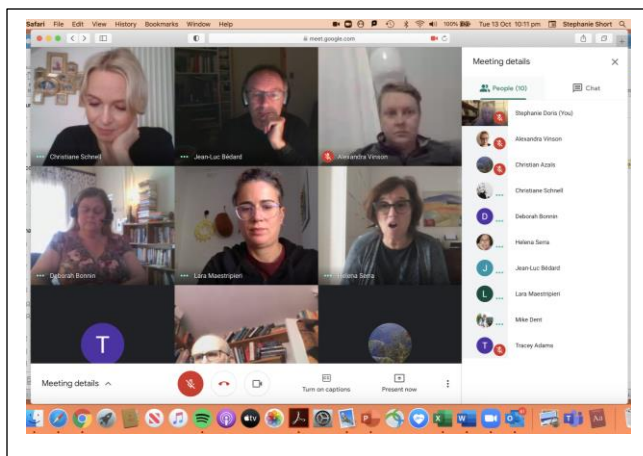


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RC52 Events in 2021

On 13 October 2020 the RC52 Board held an extra-ordinary Board. It was attended by almost all members of the Board. At this meeting the RBoard reluctantly took the decision to cancel the ISA RC52 Interim Meeting scheduled for 2021.

The Board decided that in the place of Interim Meeting they would organise a series of online events in order to make our intellectual exchange lively throughout the year.



RC52 Board Meeting, 13 October 2020.

RC52 WEBINAR SERIES

The webinars will allow the RC52 community to gather and discuss contemporary issues pertinent to the sociology of professional groups, and so in a certain (online and at distance) way meet. We will utilise a variety of formats from roundtable sessions: in which participants discuss a topic decided by the convenor; to seminars where one presenter presents their work; to PhD Sessions where lectures are presented on topics considered useful for improving the training of young scholars.

The first of our seminars will be on 17 November 2020 and is entitled "***The Health Professions Workforce under COVID19***", with the participation of Tania Jenkins and Ellen Kuhlmann, chaired and organized by Board Member Tracey Adams.

It is anticipated that a PhD Session will be organised for December and thereafter the Webinar Series will resume in March 2021 after the Forum. Look out for further announcements.

NOTICES



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**News from the ESA Research Network 19
(Sociology of Professions)**

CALL FOR PAPERS RN19 Sociology of Professions

**European Sociological Association 15th Congress
31 August – 3 September 2021, Barcelona (or online)**

Professional Knowledge for Alternative Futures

The 2021 Barcelona Conference asks for the sociological knowledges for alternative futures in the shadow of climate change and the current global pandemic but also referring to social inequalities, violent conflicts and forced mass migration. Against this backdrop we will focus our discussion on the question of how professions and professionalism are being reconfigured and how professional knowledge may contribute to the development of alternative futures. This can take place in a broad variety of areas. On the one hand, it could directly relate to these general questions relevant to contemporary societies. On the other hand, the contribution can be more mediated with regard to several points of view: stimulation or resistance against institutional reforms in various professional fields; developing new epistemic communities within and beyond professional groups; or the establishment of new perspectives through generational changes. This might also include conflicts between persistence and change which could be observed within or between professional groups or in relation to economic, political or social instances. We invite theoretical and empirical research on these and other questions in the realm of the sociology of professions for this discussion.

The Call and deadlines will be published soon on the conference website:
<https://www.europeansociology.org/esa-conference-2021-in-barcelona>.

Contributions to tRN19 sessions are very welcome and should be submitted via conftool.

For any further questions please contact the coordinators:
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CALL FOR PAPERS - SAVE THE DATE!

Health workforce development: disruption, innovation and resilience beyond the COVID-19 crisis

Second mid-term Conference, EUPHA section Health Workforce Research, Lisbon, Portugal, 10-11 June 2021; <https://eupha.org/health-workforce-research>

CALL FOR PAPERS Human Resources for Health

Health workforce: Accreditation of education and regulation of practice

Well-functioning regulatory mechanisms, such registration, licensing and certification bodies, and accreditation processes can strengthen the quality and performance of the health workforce, especially in a context of increasing international mobility of health workers.

In response to this, the journal Human Resources for Health are inviting submissions to a new thematic series on ***Health workforce: Accreditation of education and regulation of practice***.

The thematic series aims to:

1. Identify empirical evidence on the impact of accreditation of education institutions on improving the quality of health worker education.
2. Identify empirical evidence on impact of health professional regulation on patient safety, quality, and broader health system objectives.
3. Identify innovations in the professional regulation of health workers and underlying drivers for reform.
4. Explore the link between accreditation of education institutions and the broader regulation of professional practice.
5. Provide an opportunity to present low- and middle-income country processes and practices in accreditation and health professional regulation that are currently under-represented in the literature.
6. Fill the gap in regulatory and accreditation data about health occupations such as accelerated medically trained clinicians, community health workers, dental assistants, optometric technicians, and other health occupation under-represented in the literature.

For more details, including how to obtain sponsorship for the APCs, please visit (<https://www.biomedcentral.com/collections/accred>)

CALL FOR PAPERS

Empirical Globalization Research Professions, medical practices, and travelling knowledge

Conference hosted by the DFG-project “Glocalization of medical professional knowledge and practice” (Glopro)

25-26 March 2021 (University of Duisburg-Essen)

Organizers: Prof. Dr. Tao Liu, Benjamin Quasinowski, Dr. Ilka Sommer, Prof. Dr. Anja Weiß, Sarah Weingartz

Keynote speakers: Hannah Bradby, Karin Knorr Cetina, Peggy Levitt, and Tobias Werron.

Global Studies comprises a wealth of theoretical and empirical approaches. World systems theory, world polity theory, world society approaches, along with historical institutionalism and the sociology of global and transnational fields offer fruitful theoretical perspectives. Yet, dialogue between different approaches is rare and Global Studies is divided between macro and micro approaches.

The conference works toward an empirically grounded sociological meso-social perspective in Global Studies by combining a theoretical interest in emerging global and transnational forms with empirical studies of meso-social forms and situated practice. These studies employ various research methods, such as the analysis of global microstructures, transnational surveys, comparative statistics, global ethnographies, and the study of assemblages. They yield important insights and concepts bridging theory, methods, and empirical material with a worldwide scope.

We call for abstracts concerning the following conference goals:

- to conceptualize global and transnational forms: In what ways and to what extent are professions, epistemic communities, organizations, networks, etc. transnationalising or 2-2- globalizing? What are specific conditions for these diverse social forms to globalize or transnationalise? (cf. Heintz & Werron 2011)
- to improve our understanding of the ways in which local and global, particular and universal articulate during processes, of different temporalities, and also in situated practice. So far, such processes and practices have been variously studied, among others, as - standard diffusion (Dobbin et al., 2007)
 - often from centres to peripheries, - vernacularisation (Levitt & Merry 2009), i.e. as universalization and re-invention on the ground, - “glocalisation”

- (Robertson, 1995), in which situated knowledge from particular contexts universalizes, and is then re-appropriated by local contexts again,
- “local universality”, as insisted on by Social Studies of Science and Medicine (Timmermans/Berg 1997), and which coincides with Sassen’s (2007) and Beck’s (2014) insight that the “Global Other” is in Our Midst”. What can be gained from a dialogue between these approaches and how can such a dialogue become fruitful?
 - to ask how new salient theoretical concepts of the global can develop from empirical research addressing micro or meso level phenomena – do new concepts synthesize older concepts or do they go beyond them?
 - to consider whether particular theories of the global are suited for particular empirical approaches, or whether the relation between empirical research and theory should be kept open as wide as possible.

Based on an in-depth discussion that builds bridges between schools of thought in Global Studies, the Social Studies of Science and Technology, the sociology of professions, and also between “micro” and “macro” approaches, the conference will enable a more general reflection on theories, concepts, methodologies and research designs stimulate further research initiatives, and prepare collaborative forms of publication. Both advanced and junior researchers are welcome.

In accordance with the broad spectrum of theoretical approaches and concepts that will be addressed in the conference, a diverse range of empirical research, from comparative case studies and innovative statistics to global ethnographies and other qualitative in-depth methods are welcome.

We particularly want to encourage young scholars to send us their abstracts. Under certain conditions we can provide funding for travel and lodging and are thus looking forward to applications.

Submit your abstract to ilka.sommer@uni-due.de and benjamin.quasinowski@unidue.de
CLOSING DATE: 16 December 2020.

EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER NETWORK

The RC52 Early Career Researcher Network is coordinated by Board Member Alexandra Vinson. All ECR’s (grad students, postdocs and anyone who received their PhD in the last five years) should contact her at ahvinson@umich.edu. You will then be added to the ECR mailing list and directly included in future announcements.

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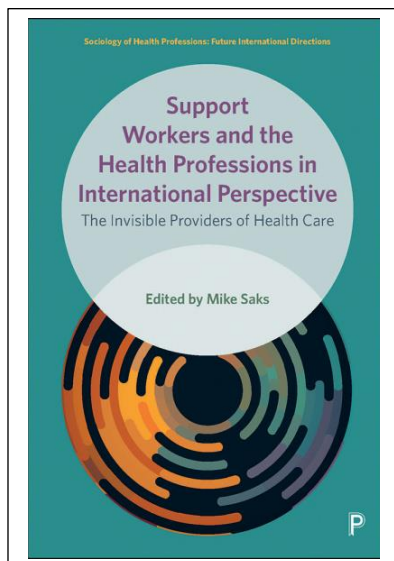
The mailing list of ISA RC52 is now available for subscription at: <http://bit.ly/RC52listSubscription>. The mailing list is the new official news channel of ISA RC52, in compliance with GDPR regulation of European Union. Please subscribe to the mailing list if you want to be updated about our initiatives and to keep receiving the ISA RC52 newsletter.

NEWSLETTER AND BLOG CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions to the *RC52 Newsletter* are very welcome. These could feature news, new developments in the field, publications, forthcoming events including conferences, report-backs. Anything that you think might be of interest to members and help fulfil the objectives of RC52. Please email, as a word document, your contribution to the Newsletter Editor Debby Bonnin debby.bonnin@up.ac.za

Remember the ISA-RC52 Blog Please remember that you can post any news with relevance for the ISA-RC52 community and beyond on our blog! It could be call for papers, news on publications, or notes on events and developments in your part of the world. Send your contribution to blog editor Gitte Sommer Harrits at isa52.blog@gmail.com. And follow the blog at www.researchcommittee52.wordpress.com.

Recent and Forthcoming Publications



M. Saks (ed). (2020). Support Workers and the Health Professions in International Perspective. The Invisible Providers of Health Care. Bristol, Policy Press.

Health care support workers (HSWs) play a fundamental role in international health care systems, and yet they remain largely invisible. Despite this, the number of HSWs is growing fast as governments strive to combat illness and address social care issues in a world of finite resources.

This original collection analyses the global experience of HSWs in the UK, Japan, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Portugal, Sweden and The Netherlands. Leading academics examine issues including the interface of HSWs with the health professions, regulatory practice risks, employment challenges and the dilemmas of an ageing

population.

Crucial future policy recommendations are also made for a world becoming increasingly dependent on HSWs.



The latest issue of the Journal of Professions and Organizations Volume 7 Issue 2 July 2020 is available at <https://academic.oup.com/jpo/issue/7/2>

The issue has a Special Forum on *Connective Professionalism* organised around an article by RC52 member Mirko Noordegraaf and commentary by other members.

- Noordegraaf, M. (2020). 'Protective or connective professionalism? How connected professionals can (still) act as autonomous and authoritative experts'.
- Adams, T.L, Clegg, S., Eyal, G., Reed, M., Saks, M., (2020). 'Connective professionalism: Towards (yet another) ideal type'.
- Adams, T.L., Kirkpatrick, I., Tichenor, P., and Waring, J. (2020). 'From Protective to Connective Professionalism: Quo Vadis Professional Exclusivity'.



European Journal of Public Health, Vol 30, Issue Supplement No. 4, September 2020.

This Supplement focuses on '*Health labour markets and the 'human face' of the health workforce*'. The guest editors are Ellen Kuhlmann, Gilles Dussault and Matthias Wismar.

It is available on Open Access at: <https://academic.oup.com/eurpub>

& PROFESSIONS PROFESSIONALISM

Professions and Professionalism (P&P) is an open-access online journal that invites research-based empirical, theoretical or synoptic articles focusing on traditional professions as well as other knowledge based occupational groups approached from any perspective or discipline. The journal creates a space for development of the research field, prioritizing no single theoretical horizon or methodological approach. All articles are peer-reviewed.

News: Essay is introduced as a new genre in Professions and Professionalism. [Read more.](#)

The latest issue Vol 10, No 2 (2020):

Articles

Prestige Hierarchies and Relations of Dominance Among Healthcare Professionals
Anette Lykke Hindhede & Kristian Larsen

A Cross - Professional Analysis of Collegiality Among Teachers and Police Officers
Håkan Löfgren & Malin Wieslander

University Teacher Educators' Professional Agency: A Literature Review
Yenny Hinostroza

Essays

New Technology and Professional Work
Stan L

On Comparative Methodologies, or, How Professional Ecologies Vary
Anders Blok

Indexing

The journal is included in Scopus and EBSCO Sociology Source Ultimate indexes.
For further information, registration with the journal, downloading and submission of articles access: www.professionsandprofessionalism.com

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ISA RC52 Blog

The ISA RC52 blog researchcommittee52.wordpress.com has been available online for the past two years and provides a space where all those interested in professions can participate and put a step forward in the debate about professions.

PhD students and early career researchers are especially invited to participate, but the blog is open to everybody who is interested in the sociology of professions. It welcomes notices (max 1000 words) about professions in Europe and in the world, in which RC52 members and non-members can present their recent work in the field of sociology of professions and/or exchange of research findings. There are three main sections:

- **Conferences:** write about your national and international forthcoming conferences on professions
- **Publications:** present your recent books about relevant topics for RC52.
- **Debates:** introduce your research, discuss 'hot spots' in the area of professions and professionalism, propose a new debate, or search for research project collaborators.

Everybody interested in participating the blog, please send a brief summary of your idea (max 150 words) to Gitte Sommer Harrits (isa52.blog@gmail.com),.

researchcommittee52.wordpress.com

Change of Address

If you change your email or postal address, please do not forget to contact us by email.

Updated details should be sent to the ISA secretariat,
email: isa@isa-sociology.org

With a copy to ISA RC52 Treasurer/Secretary Lara Maestriperi,
email: lara.maestriperi@uab.cat.

We strongly encourage you to rejoin RC52 and ISA when your membership is due for renewal. Do also inform your colleagues about RC52 and ask them to join RC52 so that we can increase the strength of the group. To join the ISA please visit the ISA website and register online. The regular affiliation fees for RC52 specifically are an additional USD 40 for a 4 year period: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/en/membership/individual-membership/>

Individual ISA membership is open to scholars and professionals of sociological teaching, research or practice. At present there are more than 5,000 members from 167 countries.

Benefits:

- Participation in the activities of the ISA and its [Research Committees](#), [Working](#) and [Thematic Groups](#) (additional fee required).
- Reduction in registration fees at ISA World Congress and Forum of Sociology
- Online access to ISA journals [Current Sociology](#) and [International Sociology](#)
- Reception of [isagram](#), an electronic newsletter containing announcements of conferences, calls for papers and manuscripts, prizes, competitions, job offers, etc.
- Discount 45% on SAGE Publications books.
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