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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER NO. 21

This Newsletter is chiefly devoted to preparations for our participation at the XVII World Congress of the International Sociological Association, which will be held in Gothenburg, Sweden, from 11 to 17 July 2010.

As you know, the ISA will assign us a number of sessions proportionate to the number of ISA members that our Committee has.

For this reason, in recent months the Executive Secretary and I have worked to increase ISA membership among Committee members. The results are quite good, with the current numbers indicating we will have 12 regular sessions plus two additional ones and a session together with RC 13 "Sociology of Leisure".

However, the number of each committee's ISA members will be checked on 31 January 2010 and the number of sessions assigned will be determined accordingly. Since we have 27 colleagues whose membership expires at the end of 2009, that's a problem.

I must therefore appeal to all of you whose membership expires on that date to please renew your membership in a timely manner (preferably by October 2009); and to those of you who are not also members of the ISA but have the possibility to join, please do so right away.

In these first months of the year, together with the Programme Committee (Erna Danielsson, Gerhard Kümmel, Uros Svete and myself) and with the collaboration of the Board, I have drawn up the programme for our participation in the Congress. The programme is attached and also constitutes a call for papers. Colleagues who plan to attend the World Congress can choose to present one or more papers (according to the ISA guidelines, any individual may participate in up to two sessions) and should send their proposals (title and a few lines of abstract) to the chairperson/organiser of the chosen session. The deadline for sending proposals is **30 September 2009**. Chairpersons must send the composition of their sessions to me and to the Executive Secretary by 15 November 2009. The Programme Committee will decide the programme of RC01 and will forward it to the ISA Secretariat by 31 January 2010.

The final programme will be published in May 2010, on the basis of the registrations to the Congress made by the members of RC01 (deadline 1 May 2010). Those who are not registered will be cancelled from the programme.

Both the Executive Secretary and I are available for any clarifications regarding the above.

The last few months have also seen intense work (by the chairpersons at the Seoul conference and myself) on preparing the proceedings of the conference that we held with such great success in Seoul in July 2008. The editing work is now close to being terminated and the proceedings will be published, as you know, under the title "Military Sociology Essays in Honor of Charles C. Moskos". In this Newsletter you can read the provisional table of contents, which will give you an idea of the book's general structure.

I wish you all an enjoyable spring and am counting on everyone's cooperation in preparing our participation at the next ISA World Congress.

Pisa 30 March 2009

The President  
Giuseppe Caforio

## LETTRE DU PRÉSIDENT N° 21

Cette lettre d'information est principalement consacrée aux préparations pour le XVII Congrès *Mondial de Sociologie*, organisé par l'*Association Internationale de Sociologie (ISA)* à Gothenburg en Suède du 11 au 17 juillet 2010.

Comme vous le savez, l'ISA nous assignera un nombre de séances proportionnellement au nombre de membres de l'ISA au sein de notre Comité.

De ce fait, j'ai essayé de faire augmenter le nombre des membres de l'ISA au sein du Comité. Les résultats sont tout à fait satisfaisants: d'après les derniers chiffres, nous aurons 12 sessions régulières et une session avec RC 13 «Sociologie du loisir».

Or le nombre des membres de chaque comité sera vérifié de nouveau le 31 janvier 2010. Le nombre de séances sera déterminé en fonction du nombre respectif des membres. Mais l'affiliation de 27 collègues expire fin 2009, *ce qui*, d'ailleurs, n'est *pas* sans *poser de problème*.

Je voudrais donc faire appel à tous ceux, dont l'affiliation expire à cette date, de bien vouloir renouveler leur affiliation dans les délais requis (octobre 2009 de préférence), et à tous ceux, qui ne sont actuellement pas membres de l'ISA, de s'affilier à l'association s'ils ont la possibilité de le faire.

Au cours des premiers mois de l'année, j'ai travaillé en étroite collaboration avec le Comité de programme (Erna Danielsson, Gerhard Kümmel, Uros Svete et moi-même) et avec le Conseil afin d'élaborer le programme de notre participation au Congrès. En pièce attachée, vous trouverez le programme et l'appel à communication. Les collègues, qui comptent participer au Congrès Mondial, peuvent faire une seule ou plusieurs interventions (selon les règles de l'ISA la participation est limitée à deux séances maximum). Ces collègues sont invités à envoyer leurs propositions d'intervention (titre, suivi de quelques lignes de résumé) au responsable de séance choisie. Les propositions devront être envoyées avant le **30 septembre 2009**. Les responsables de séances devront envoyer le programme de chaque séance à moi-même et au Secrétaire exécutif avant le 15 novembre 2009. Le Comité de programme décidera du programme du RC01. Le programme sera communiqué à l'ISA avant le 31 janvier 2010.

Le programme final sera publié en mai 2010 en fonction des inscriptions au Congrès par les membres du RC01 (date limite 1<sup>er</sup> Mai 2010). Les personnes non inscrites au Congrès seront exclues du programme.

Le secrétaire exécutif et moi-même restons à votre disposition pour tout besoin de clarification sur les conditions présentées ci-dessus.

Au cours des derniers mois j'ai également travaillé activement avec les présidents de chaque séance de la conférence de Seoul afin de préparer le compte-rendu de la conférence, qui avait été organisée avec tant de succès à Séoul en juillet 2008. Le travail de rédaction est presque terminé et comme vous le savez, le compte-rendu de la conférence sera publié sous le titre "Military Sociology Essays in Honor of Charles C. Moskos". Dans cette lettre d'information vous pouvez lire la Table des matières provisoire, ce qui vous donnera une idée sur l'ensemble de la structure du livre.

Je vous souhaite de passer un printemps agréable et je compte sur la coopération de chacun et de chacune d'entre vous afin de préparer notre participation au prochain Congrès mondial de l'ISA.

Pisa, le 30 mars 2009

Giuseppe Caforio  
Président

## CARTA DEL SEÑOR PRESIDENTE N. 21

Este informe está dedicado en particular a preparar nuestra participación en el XVII Congreso Mundial de la International Sociological Association que tendrá lugar en Gothenburg (Suecia) del 11 al 17 de julio de 2010.

Como es bien conocido, la ISA nos asignará cierto número de sesiones en proporción al número de los miembros de la ISA que pertenecen a nuestro Comité.

Por esta razón, a lo largo de los últimos meses el Secretario Ejecutivo y yo hemos venido trabajando para acrecentar las matriculaciones en la ISA entre los compañeros del Comité. El resultado que conseguimos nos parece bastante bueno, así que haciendo cifras tendremos 12 sesiones regulares más 2 adicionales, y una sesión junto al RC 13 "Sociology of Leisure".

Con todo, verificaremos el número de los miembros ISA de cada Comité solamente el 31 de enero de 2010, y el número de sesiones asignadas será, por consiguiente, ajustado. Sin embargo, considerando que la matriculación de 27 compañeros nuestros caducará a finales de 2009, nos hallamos, sin lugar a duda, ante un problema.

Pues, con tal motivo, quiero hacerles una apelación a todos. A los compañeros cuya matriculación caduca por aquella fecha, a que la renueven de inmediato (a ser posible antes del mes de octubre de 2009). Y a los que aún no son miembros de la ISA, pero que tienen la posibilidad de llegar a serlo, ¡pues, entonces, que lo consigan ahora mismo!

En los comienzos de este año, junto con el Comité para el Programa (Erna Danielsson, Gerhard Kummel, Uros Svete y el que suscribe) y con la colaboración del Consejo de Dirección, he procurado elaborar el programa de nuestra participación en el Congreso. Adjunto lo encontrarán, y es preciso decir que al mismo tiempo eso constituye también un "call for papers". Cada compañero que desee participar en el Congreso Mundial, puede presentar un ensayo o más ensayos (según lo establecido por el reglamento de la ISA, no podría uno participar en más de dos sesiones) y enviar sus propuestas (indicando el título y haciendo un breve resumen) al chairperson/organiser de la sesión temática escogida. El plazo para presentar tales propuestas es hasta el 30 de septiembre de 2009. Los chairpersons tendrán que enviar la composición de sus propias sesiones al Secretario Ejecutivo y a mí mismo antes del 15 de noviembre de 2009. El Comité para el Programa decidirá el programa del RCO1 y lo transmitirá a la Secretaría de la ISA antes del 31 de enero de 2010.

El programa definitivo se editará a lo largo del mes de mayo de 2010, sobre la base de las inscripciones al Congreso realizadas por los miembros de RCO1 (con plazo hasta el 1 de mayo de 2010). Huelga decir que excluiremos del proyecto a quienes no se hubieran matriculado aún.

El Secretario Ejecutivo y yo estaremos a disposición para dar informaciones sobre el plan que acabamos de redactar.

Los meses pasados se caracterizaron también por un intenso trabajo (el finalizado por los chairpersons de la conferencia de Seúl y el mío) dedicado a la preparación de las actas del convenio que organizamos en Seúl en julio de 2008, logrando un éxito impresionante. El trabajo de editaje está a punto de terminar y las actas aparecerán, como ya saben ustedes, bajo el título de "Military Sociology Essays in Honour of Charles C. Moskos". En este informe podrán leer además la Tabla provisional de los temas, para que se formen una idea de cuál es la estructura general del volumen.

Pues bien, contando con su ayuda eficaz a fin de preparar nuestra participación en el próximo Congreso Mundial de la ISA, les deseo a todos una feliz primavera.

El Presidente  
Giuseppe Caforio

# **Report of Recent Activities of the Committee**

**by the President**

We are coming to the end of the editorial work of the proceedings of the recent Seoul Conference, that will be published under the title of “Military Sociology Essays in Honour of Charles C. Moskos” and the manuscript will be send to the publisher before the Summer.

The compilation of this work is the result of an intense, step-by-step work of selection and refinement of the papers presented at the international conference in Seoul. A first phase was entrusted to the chairpersons of the conference panels (listed below), to whom go my appreciation and thanks for the work carried out. Each one selected the papers presented in his or her panel for publication in the proceedings. The individual paper givers were invited to review their papers, which were then, after interaction with the chairpersons, sent to me, whereupon I was able to begin my editing work on texts already selected and checked.

It was this intermediation activity by the chairpersons that made it possible to get an early start on the editing of this book and bring it rapidly to completion.

The chairpersons are (in alphabetical order): Helena Carreiras, Sabine Collmer, Christopher Dandeker, Rialize Ferreira, Hanggi Heiner, Mahn-Geum Ohn, Lindy Heinecken, Doo-Seung Hong, Ljubiça Jelusic, Na-Young Lee, Marina Nuciari, Bandana Purkayastha, Joseph Soeters, Tibor Szvircev Tresch and myself. The provisional table of contents of the book is the following:

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## RC01 Upcoming Events

The next paramount event for our Committee is the participation in the XVII World Congress of the International Sociological Association, Gothenburg 12- 17 July 2010.

The Program Committee (Giuseppe Caforio, Erna Danielsson, Gerhard Kuemmel, Uros Svete) prepared the provisional program and sent it to the ISA Secretariat.

The program is the following:

### RC01 program for next World Congress

**Session 1 “Methodological problems in the study of the military”** Chairperson and Organizer Helena Carreiras ([Helena.Carreiras@EUI.eu](mailto:Helena.Carreiras@EUI.eu))

This panel invites papers which reflect on methodological aspects of social scientific research on the military or in military contexts. Its main aim is to discuss a variety of methodological problems related to both the specificity of this particular field of study and commonalities with other fields. The panel should bring together researchers who use distinct methodological strategies and tools, including extensive-quantitative, intensive-qualitative or comparative approaches, to address topics such as research designs, theoretical frames and empirical testing, conceptual stretching, gaining access; ethics of field research; data validity and reliability, case-selection, the researchers’ social characteristics and its impact on the research dynamics, etc... Papers based on concrete research experiences are particularly welcome.

**Session 2 “Building and Sustaining Peace”**.Chairperson and Organizer: Bandana Purkayastha, ([bandanapurkayastha@yahoo.com](mailto:bandanapurkayastha@yahoo.com).)

This session seeks papers that explore many dimensions of building and sustaining peace. Papers can focus on a range of themes beginning from resolving conflicts (after war and or violence) to building peace as a way of preventing and minimizing violence. Papers can span a range of efforts, from government or international organizations’ sponsored activities to the efforts by charismatic individuals, and/or grass-roots groups.

**Session 3 “Asymmetric warfare: the West answer”** Chairperson and Organizer Giuseppe Caforio ([gcaforio@fastwebnet.it](mailto:gcaforio@fastwebnet.it))

The end of the Cold War and the resulting disappearance of the two opposing blocs of states whose equilibrium was nevertheless a strong guarantee of the preservation of some sort of status quo, opened a Pandora’s box from which have progressively and tumultuously emerged religious wars, ethnic conflicts, the disintegration of states and the birth of new state entities often in conflict with each other, phenomena all strongly at odds with the free trade and globalisation needs of the victors in that war. Most of these new conflicts (*new wars*, according to the M. Kaldor definition) are asymmetric and the Western World (in a broad sense) has now to face a different and peculiar form of warfare, characterised by a situation where a weak side (state or non state actor) is opposed to a strong military state power. What could an appropriate answer from the West be?

**Session 4 „Prolonged, frozen and new conflicts“.** Chairperson and Organizer Vladimir Rukavishnikov ([rukavish@hotmail.com](mailto:rukavish@hotmail.com))

War, evidently, is understood in remarkably different ways by the military, politicians, civilian scholars, and the public at large. All agree, however, that war is most frequently violent. And there is a widespread acknowledgement that the nature of war waged by particular states is determined by the conflicting nature of interstate relations. Therefore there is a natural tendency to use all available means to avoid a transformation of conflict in a form of dispute into war. War is always a climax of conflicts of various types. Similarly, there is a consensus that conflicts cannot be divorced from their political and social origins, historic roots, etc.

Modern sociological theory and research practice pays too little attention towards sociological dimensions of both conflicts and ways of their resolution in the world in which (unsurprisingly) war is “inherent”. The purpose of the panel of the RC 01 is to tackle the entire problem.

The current global economic crisis is likely to intensify various types of conflicts in our world of scarce resources. Because vital national interests are given a priority, new conflicts necessary follow, but the old so-called ‘prolonged’ and ‘frozen’ conflicts might get a new sounding too.

**Session 5 “Armed Forces & Globalization”** Chairperson and Organizer Sushma Sood ([soodsushma@gmail.com](mailto:soodsushma@gmail.com))

Twenty first century has been the century of science and technology which has impacted human life in a number of ways. It has facilitated rapid spatial movements and mass communication which has heralded a new era. Individual liberty and rights have been given a higher focus. Globalization, spatial mobility and liberalization have perpetuated multiculturalism, increasing homogenization of life-styles and aspirations via media, TV, films, Tourism, etc. Globalization is a double-edged sword, capable of bringing environmental opportunities through increased access to markets, information, capacity sharing and also environmental threats, such as increased consumption of natural resources and generation of waste.

The profession of arms which had an emotional appeal and attracted the youth to the service of the defense of the nation underwent a transition in attitudes as well as in the segments of society contributing to defense forces. Royal families, rural elite and leading business families who used to send their progeny for baptism by fire has undergone a change in attitude due to economic factors and changing political equations. A career in army is now being treated like any other profession. Pay and perks have become the magnets to attract the youth rather than abstract emotive considerations.

This session will throw light on the changing attitudes of youth towards profession of arms and also how contemporary soldiering is in a Flux under the impact of Globalization

**Session 6 „Military leadership and irregular threats: Empirical evidence and an emerging theoretical basis“.** Chairperson and Organizer Gerry Larsson ([Gerry.Larsson@fhs.se](mailto:Gerry.Larsson@fhs.se))

Demands posed by irregular threats on military leadership during modern international missions possibly constitute the worst stressor for commanders and soldiers. Irregular threats include terrorism, organized crime, child soldiers, riots, etc. A typical example is the so called Improvised Explosive Devices (IED’s). The assumption is that these kinds of threats are more likely in the foreseeable future than large-scale conventional warfare. Given this, researchers have begun to study this issue intensively, both in terms of direct leadership at the field level and indirect leadership at central staff levels and the political arena.

The session will have two foci: (1) presentations of empirical evidence and (2) theoretical attempts to understand the issue from a broad multi-disciplinary perspective.

**Session 7 “Recruitment and Retention”** Chairperson and organizer Tibor Szvircsev Tresch ([tszv@zugernet.ch](mailto:tszv@zugernet.ch))

As compulsory military service was abolished in Belgium in 1993 and the Netherlands in 1996 the aspect of voluntary service in Europe became increasingly recognised. Through this European armed forces have faced new challenges in the field of recruitment and retention. These can be described on a social and economical level. Socially, the demographic change is a major factor. Furthermore the change of values in society is influencing the way on how the armed forces are accepted and on how the gap between existing social values and military culture is increasing.

On the economic level the armed forces are confronted with the present employment situation. They have to face the free market and compete with private industry for suitable human resources. Hereby they can often only offer inadequate financial and non monetary incentives. This competition is enhanced through low unemployment and strong economy and makes successful recruitment and retention even more difficult.

For the session the following questions are important: Are just European armed forces facing this problem or is the recruitment of military personnel over the world a difficult task? How successful is the recruitment of new professional military personnel in European armed forces and how successful is the recruitment of professional personnel in other regions of the world? What incentives have to be provided to provide an adequate number of volunteers for the military profession? How successful is the retention of military personnel? What incentives have to be provided that military personnel prolong their first term contracts?

The session is open for all interested researchers.

**Session 8 “Constructing Warriors in Films and Videogames”,** Chairperson and organizer Gerhard Kuemmel ([GerhardKuemmel@bundeswehr.org](mailto:GerhardKuemmel@bundeswehr.org))

Description: The panel deals with constructs of warriors in films and video-/computer-/online-games in a gender perspective. It is thought to focus on how these media construct the warrior and whether there are differences in these constructing endeavors depending on gender.

**Session 9 “Managing Military Organizations: theory and practice”** Chairperson and Organizer Joseph Soeters ([JMML.Soeters@NLDA.NL](mailto:JMML.Soeters@NLDA.NL))

Following up on an edited book (Routledge, 2010) that according to planning will have been published during the time of the conference, this session proposes to collect papers on managerial issues concerning military organizations. We want to make use of concepts that emerge from the sociology of organizations as well as from military sociology and related disciplines. The idea is that military organizations are conventional organizations, to which conventional ideas and concepts may apply, but flavoured with specific features that make them different: dealing with life threatening circumstances surrounded by a highly political context. They resemble so called High Reliability Organizations, but they are more politically influenced and more uncertain about their strategy, legitimacy, effectiveness and operational styles. In this session we welcome contributions on any sort of managerial issues: organizational structure, strategy and legitimacy/reputation/status, cooperation with other organizations/networking, management control of operations (including Effects Based Operations), military culture and manpower policies.

**Session 10: “Soldier’s Profession, Gender and Private Life: trade-offs and support needs in military families.”** Chairperson and Organizer. Marina Nuciari ([nuciari@econ.unito.it](mailto:nuciari@econ.unito.it))

The panel is intended to present and discuss papers devoted to research on military families of various types: families where one or both partners are military members, families where parents have a son/daughter in the military. Topics could cover family difficulties and stress related to deployment, mission legitimacy and consequences on recruitment as derived from parents’ attitudes toward mission deployments in high-risk theatres, family vs. career tradeoffs in double-career families. The aim is to consider the topic under a comparative perspective in order to control the role of culture in defining the different ways developed by families in various situations to cope with a highly demanding profession.

**Session 11 “Peacekeeping Operations and Multinational Cooperation”** Chairperson and Organizer Franz Kernic ([franz.kernic@fhs.se](mailto:franz.kernic@fhs.se))

This panel will focus on current peacekeeping operations, particularly on sociological and cultural aspects, civil-military relations and multinational cooperation. The main goal is to analyze and discuss the socio-cultural context of today’s peacekeeping operations as well as sociological, anthropological and political questions related to the peacekeeping operations themselves. The panel particularly welcomes papers with a strong sociological focus and multi-disciplinary approach. It also welcomes presentations of recently conducted field research.

**Session 12 “Public Opinion and the Military in a Glocalized World”** Chairperson and Organizer Jan Van der Meulen ([JS.vd.Meulen.01@NLDA.NL](mailto:JS.vd.Meulen.01@NLDA.NL))

Researches of public opinion and mass media on security issues are carried out quite regularly in different countries, but they remain confined in a national domains. We are interested in comparing results of these researches in a cross-national ways and in the new context of a glocalized world, where globalization on one hand and the resurging of local aspects of different civilizations on the other created different forms of warfare, of communication, of governing. Of course multi-national polls fit in also

**Session 13 (Session on the Congress Theme- Additional Session) “Round Table on War and Violence”** Chairperson and Organizer: Bandana Purkayastha, ([bandanapurkayastha@yahoo.com](mailto:bandanapurkayastha@yahoo.com).)

Sociological scholarship on violence and wars span a focus on victimized groups--women, minorities and other vulnerable populations--organizations that contain or mitigate violence—e.g. militaries, civil society groups--and sponsors of violence. Yet, such scholarship often remains fragmented, immersed in sub-disciplinary sections and conversations. Research Committee 01 has historically focused on multiple aspects of conflicts—symmetric and asymmetric warfare, ethnic conflicts—on militaries—their organization, engagements, relations with civil societies—engagement of ‘civilians’ in violence and wars, and on different types of conflict resolution including processes of building and sustaining peaces. For this thematic session on War and Violence, we are calling for interdisciplinary and sociological sub-discipline-spanning papers that challenge our current understandings of War and Violence. We seek theoretically engaging and methodologically innovative papers that will transcend the artificial divide between the public, community and private spheres, examine the macro, meso, and micro underpinnings of wars and violence, examine questions about perpetrators, victims, organizers of violence and peace in ways that link institutions and groups, ideologies and practices. Comparative, historically-nuanced papers are especially welcome.

Papers might include:

- Examination of an episode of war and/or violence—ethnic cleansing, terrorism, genocide, riots, use of extraordinary weapons--from more than one sociological approach to develop more robust theoretical insights.
- Analysis of political processes that construct ideologies of war and violence.
- Relative changes in the institutions, in the late 20<sup>th</sup> and early 21<sup>st</sup> century, that perpetrate violence or institutions that mitigate violence.
- Definitions of war in an increasingly global—economically, technologically, politically tied—post-national world.
- Cultures and institutions of war and violence.
- Economics of violence and wars.
- Civilian-involvement in glocal violence.
- Victims of wars and violence and institutions that fail to protect them.

- New communication processes and their roles in promoting and/or mitigating war and violence.
- Glocalization of structures of violence.
- Discourses and practices of peace building and what they tell us about prolonged violence.
- War *without* violence.

#### **Session 14. Business meeting (additional session)**

**Joint Session with RC 13 “Sociology of Leisure” “Leisure and Tourism: Harbinger of Peace and Conflict Resolution”** Chairpersons and Organizers Ishwar Modi ([iiiss2005modi@yahoo.co.in](mailto:iiiss2005modi@yahoo.co.in)) and Giuseppe Caforio ([gcaforio@fastwebnet.it](mailto:gcaforio@fastwebnet.it))

Tourism which has become a well accepted and world wide form of leisure can make important inputs into cross cultural understanding. Seeing people – how they live, their achievements, their environments--can lead to experiences that would generate mutual respect and fellow feeling. Much of the conflict in the world may be a result of lack of knowledge about the ‘other’. Tourism organizers—governments, companies, local groups—have an interest in creating safe places for people to visit. Consciously planned tourism can enable people to experience other cultures and not merely be voyeurs from the outside. Scholars have begun to trace the role of businesses and civic organizations in mitigating conflict. Through this call we hope to highlight research that examines the direct or indirect impact of tourism on conflict resolution and peace building.

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Colleagues who plan to attend the World Congress can choose to present one or more papers (according to the ISA guidelines, any individual may participate in up to two sessions) and should send their proposals (title and a few lines of abstract) to the chairperson/organiser of the chosen session. The deadline for sending proposals is **30 September 2009**. Chairpersons must send the composition of their sessions to me and to the Executive Secretary by 15 November 2009. The Programme Committee will decide the programme of RC01 and will forward it to the ISA Secretariat by 31 January 2010.

The final programme will be published in May 2010, on the basis of the registrations to the Congress made by the members of RC01 (deadline 1 May 2010). Those who are not registered will be cancelled from the programme.

Both the Executive Secretary and the President are available for any clarifications regarding the above.

## **Upcoming Events Outside RC 01**

### **Recasting the Peaceful Revolution of '89: Roots and Legacies**

A conference on the societal events leading to the dismantling of the Iron Curtain and its aftermath in Central and Eastern Europe

Centre for Baltic and East European Studies (CBEES), Södertörn Universit, Stockholm

**October 22-24, 2009**

Few events in recent history have had as symbolic impact as the opening of the Berlin Wall on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1989. This event was a visible sign of an extremely important step in the far-reaching processes of change that the formally socialist Central and East European states were undergoing. It was, above all, a peaceful process.

The aim of the conference is to gather scholars from all relevant disciplines who are engaged in researching the peaceful revolutions that ended the cold war – the events themselves, the social, political and cultural changes which led to the transition into different types of market democracies, and the long-term effects of the change.

The geographical focus will be on the formerly ‘socialist’ states west of the Soviet Union (plus all of Germany). Aspects of change within the former Soviet Union and Yugoslavia will be considered, if they are put in the context of developments in the focus area.

The conference is organised around three general themes, divided, in turn, into sub-themes:

1) The paths of/to the soft revolutions

The first theme deals with the Central and East European societies’ gradual and differentiated paths to liberalisation. We welcome contributions and papers addressing:

2) The memories of ’89:

The second theme analyses the memories of the events leading to the events of 1989. What descriptions exist, and how are the legacies reflected in today’s societies?

3) Expectations met or broken promises? The legacies of the 1989 events

The Central and East European states have been characterised by the parallel processes of nation- and democratic state building and integration into European structures. In this third thematic section, questions related to these processes are in focus: What are the similarities and the differences of these processes in different states? Is the resurgence of passive voters, weak civil societies and the rise of populist and extremist parties a reflection of the disappointment of citizen expectations of democracy and a market economy?

#### Registration and deadlines

The conference is free of charge. There are three ways of participating in this event: 1) You can present a paper, 2) comment on a paper or 3) listen to the presentations. All these require registration no later than April 6<sup>th</sup> 2009 sent to [conf89@sh.se](mailto:conf89@sh.se).

For those presenting papers an abstract of maximum 2000 characters (including spaces) should be submitted electronically by April 6<sup>th</sup> 2009 to [conf89@sh.se](mailto:conf89@sh.se). To the abstracts should be attached a separate sheet stating personal data such as address, affiliation, etc. A selection committee will decide on acceptance and suggest placement into different sub-themes.

Full papers should be submitted by September 1<sup>st</sup> 2009.

Meals will be provided for those contributing actively in the conference (by presenting or commenting on a paper).

For more information go to: [www.sh.se/conf89](http://www.sh.se/conf89)

Questions and suggestions should be sent to the organising committee at [conf89@sh.se](mailto:conf89@sh.se)

### **3rd Congress of the French Sociological Association “Violence and Society” Paris, 14-17 April 2009**

The third congress of the AFS will be held at the University of Paris Diderot, 14-17 April 2009, on the “Grands Moulins” site near the metro station “Bibliothèque François Mitterrand”. The theme of this congress is “Violence and Society”.

Do the control of violence and the process of civilisation still go hand in hand today? Since the end of WWII, the most visible and radical forms of physical violence have greatly diminished in wealthy and developed countries and particularly in France. Capital punishment has been abolished.

Violence against women is recognised as an offence. Minority rights are more wide-spread, and lastly the death toll from road accidents and the suicide rate have been reduced.

Despite these random examples, an in-depth sociological analysis needs to be conducted in the economic domain, in households, companies, bureaucratic organisations and associations as well as in neighbourhoods, due to a rise in new forms of violence.

Western democracies are not exempt of the use of force. Whether in our own inner cities and other disadvantaged neighbourhoods or in operations conducted in Iraq or elsewhere, violence is expressed in more or less extreme forms.

Lastly, in democratic societies that promote standardised equal rights and opportunities, that offer standardised models of social integration and success stories (particularly scholastic achievement), and which have life styles that are shaped by the consumer society, the harsh end to the post-war boom has created new social tensions.

Lingering unemployment of certain categories of the population, the resurrection of social inequalities, increasing urban segregation, greater job insecurity, decline of institutions, and greater family instability are causing new social divides, weaknesses, violence, insidious or explicit, which are endured by people who believe they are the victims of modern society that is abusing them and for which they seek recognition. This trend of “collective victimisation” has thus become a new and central stake in modern-day social and political struggles.

The AFS invites you to partake in the debates on these topics and others at its third congress which will be held in Paris from 14 to 17 April 2009.

The general state of affairs in the realm of sociology will be discussed on Wednesday, April 15, in the morning

## **North Atlantic Treaty Organization Research and Technology Organization**

### **HUMAN FACTORS AND MEDICINE PANEL [Sofia \(BULGARIA\) 5-7 October 2009](#)**

#### **NATO’s Research & Technology Organization (RTO)**

RTO is the single focus in NATO for Defence Research and Technology activities. Its mission is to conduct and promote cooperative research and information exchange. The objective is to support the development and effective use of national defence research and technology and to meet the military needs of the Alliance, to maintain a technological lead, and to provide advice to NATO and national decision makers. The RTO performs its mission with the support of an extensive network of national experts. It also ensures effective coordination with other NATO bodies involved in R&T activities.

RTO reports both to the Military Committee of NATO and to the Conference of National Armament Directors. It comprises a Research and Technology Board (RTB) as the highest level of national representation and the Research and Technology Agency (RTA), a dedicated staff with its headquarters in Neuilly-sur-Seine, near Paris, France. In order to facilitate contacts with the military users and other NATO activities, a small part of the RTA staff is located in NATO Headquarters in Brussels. The Brussels staff also coordinates RTO’s cooperation with nations in Middle and Eastern Europe, to which RTO attaches particular importance especially as working together in the field of research is one of the more promising areas of initial cooperation

**The Human Factors and Medicine Panel (HFM)** covers the fields of:

- (a) Operational medicine (OM)
- (b) Human protection in adverse environments (HP)
- (c) Human effectiveness (HE)
- (d) Human system integration (HSI)

#### **Final Shur Conference**



## **Human Rights in Conflict the role of Civil Society**

**4-6 June 2009** at Luiss University, Rome-Italy

- The link between human rights and conflicts.
  - The role of civil society in the prevention/generation, amelioration/worsening and resolution/continuation of conflicts through its focus on human rights.
  - Strategies to make civil society actions more effective in human rights protection in contexts of fragmented multi-ethnic political communities.
  - Strategies to improve the complementarity between the actions and strategies pursued by governmental and non-governmental actors in conflict situations.
  - Strategies to improve the impact of civil society actors in reducing human rights violations through greater synergies with the official European level.
- We expect to attract a relevant number of participants and to create a space for discussion that will improve the understanding of these dynamics.

For any further information, do not hesitate to visit the web-page of the conference at [http://www.luiss.it/shur/?page\\_id=148](http://www.luiss.it/shur/?page_id=148) or contact the organization at [shur@luiss.it](mailto:shur@luiss.it)

## **10th Ergomas conference in Stockholm, 2009, June 22-26**

A global focus on Military and Society

In June 2009, the Swedish National Defence College will be hosting the next conference of the European Research Group on Military and Society (ERGOMAS).

ERGOMAS is a public, non-profit, politically and ideologically independent professional organization of scientists. Its purposes are pursued through the activity of Working Groups (see below) and the Biennial conference.

The conference functions as an occasion when all working groups meet, where new members can join and provides a unique opportunity for learning and networking within research on Military and Society.

From this year, the Board of ERGOMAS have decided to make the association more “global” by welcoming members and conference participants from all countries. The core disciplines of ERGOMAS are sociology and political science but, over time, it has become more and more multidisciplinary, and now has members drawn from many other disciplines: for example psychology, anthropology, education, history, to mention some of them.

Conference themes

The programme for the conference will be based on a combination of keynote talks, and presentations by the working groups. Proposals for new working groups and research themes are also welcome and some room will be made for the presentation of these. The conference themes will encompass the whole range from everyday conditions in international operations to critical events for civil and military personnel. Central themes during the conference are:

1. 21st century military operations, focusing on issues arising from multinational links, jointery, inter-agency relationships and questions of linking military and reconstruction/nation building missions.
2. The effects of operations on deployed personnel (not just military but civilians, contractors etc) as well as families, and wider publics; and impact of families and publics and deployed experiences on operations: so there are two-way relationships to be investigated here.
3. Privatization of security and the use of private security companies in delivering support for military missions: legal, regulatory, civil-military and defence economics issues, including the question of how far commercialization and outsourcing of its core functions can go without undermining military effectiveness.
4. Military cultures – challenges of social change and changing nature of operations –

continuity and change.

Organisation

The conference will take place at the Swedish National Defence College (Försvarshögskolan, FHS). The conference is an opportunity to listen to and join some of the present working groups but also to put forward new ideas and directions.

## **Draft Program ERGOMAS Conference 2009 in Stockholm, 22 – 26 June**

**The conference is hosted by Swedish National Defence College, SNDC (Försvarshögskolan), Drottning Kristinas väg 37, Stockholm.**

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### **Monday, June 22**

**Registration:** Monday, June 22, 1700–2000, SNDC Entrance Hall.

*(For late arrivals also Tuesday, June 23, 0800-0900).*

**Reception:** Reception will take place on Monday June 22, 1800-2000 in the nearby Mess.

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### **Tuesday, June 23**

#### **Plenary Session**

0900-0915 Welcome, introduction

0915-1000 Keynote speech: (To be announced)

1000-1045 Keynote speech: (To be announced)

1045-1115 Coffee break

1115-1200 Discussion

#### **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1330-1445)**

##### **WG Military Profession**

**Co-ordinator: Prof. Dr. Giuseppe Caforio**

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1. René Moelker (Netherlands Defence Academy, The Netherlands). *From Dutch Approach to Comprehensive Approach. A change in the political narrative explaining the mission*
2. Giuseppe Caforio (Centro Interuniversitario Studi Storici Militari, Italy). *The information society and the changing face of war*
3. Georgina Natzio (Defence Writer, Italy). *Working with the asymmetrical mindset - an enquiry*
4. Victor Nemchinov. *The New Philosophy of Asymmetric Engagement.*
5. Lene Kristoffersen (Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies, Norway). *Back to basics: coordinating national contributions to a comprehensive approach*
6. William J. Gregor (School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, USA). *War Termination in the Age of Terror: Searching for a Policy Dialogue*

##### **WG Recruitment and Retention**

**Co-ordinator: Dr. Tibor Szvircsev Tresch**

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1. Mihail Anton (National Defence University, Romania). *The promotion and recruitment system of the Romanian Armed Forces in the new framework of the professionalization process. The analysis of socio-cultural profile of youngster related to the military profession*

2. Yantsislav Yanakiev (Rakovski Defense and Staff College, Bulgaria). *Bulgarian Armed Forces a Year after the Abolishment of Conscription: Challenges Related to Recruitment and Retention of the Military Personnel*
3. Christopher Dandeker (King's College, London, UK). *The British Army's Recruitment and Retention problems: Retrospect and Prospect 1957 to 2009*
4. Erik Kopac (Faculty of Social Sciences, Slovenia). *1. Interest of Slovene youth for military service: Time perspective. 2. Satisfaction with professional military service: Case study of Slovenia*
5. Erik Hedlund (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *The selection and recruitment of the Swedish soldier for international service*

## **WG Women in the Military**

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1. Anders W. Berggren (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *Sexual Harassment in the Swedish Armed Forces 1999-2005*
2. Colin R. Harbke (WIU Psychology Department, Western Illinois University, USA). *Sexual Harassment in the Swedish Armed Forces 1999-2005*
3. Gerhard Kümmel (SOWI, Germany). *Sex in the Military. The German Case.*
4. Sophia Ivarsson & Lena Pettersson (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *No title yet*

## **WG The Blurring of Military and Police Roles**

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1. Alice Hills (School of Politics and International Studies, University of Leeds, UK). *Southern police in international peacekeeping operations: A reappraisal*
2. Riaz Ahmed Shaikh (Institute of Business & Technology (Biztek), Pakistan). *Terrorism in Pakistan- Role of Military and Police for Curbing Terrorism*
3. Jacqui Baker (London School of Economics, UK). *Power and Longing in the Reorganisation of the Coercive Apparatuses of the State*
4. Weichong Ong (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore). *Wither Counterinsurgency? The Transformation of the Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF)*

## **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1515-1630)**

### **WG Morale, Cohesion and Leadership**

**Co-ordinator: Prof. Dr Gerry Larsson**

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1. Erna Danielsson & Berit Calrstedt (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *The Swedish officer in reserve: Filling vacancies or utilizing competences?*
2. Karen K. Davis (Canadian Forces Leadership Institute, Kingston, Canada). *Cultural intelligence, command and leadership*
3. Maria Fors & Gerry Larsson (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *Should I stay or should I go? – The influence of critical incidents on motivation during international military missions*
4. Olli Harinen (National Defence University, Finland). *Knut Pipping's WW II study. Infantry company as a society compared to similar later military sociological studies*
5. Aki-Mauri Huthinen (National Defence University, Finland). *From visible to discrete and interactive management: Controlling in a military organization in the information battle space*

## **WG Democratic Control of the Armed Forces**

**Co-ordinator: Dr. Hans Born**

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1. Carlos Navajas Zubeldia (Universidad de La Rioja, Spain). *Bonopartism. Security and defense policy in the Rodríguez Zapatero administration (2004-2006)*
2. David Kuehn (University of Heidelberg, Institute of Political Science, Germany). *Is there a Method (or a Concept or a Theory) to the Madness? Examining the Conceptual, Theoretical and Methodological Realities of Research on Civilian Control of the Military*
3. Judith Gentleman (Air War College, Maxwell AFB, USA). *The Military Lobby in the United States*

## **WG Warriors in Peacekeeping**

**Co-ordinator: Dr. Maren Tomforde**

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1. Dominica Svarc (Center of Excellence-Defence Against Terrorism, Ankara, Turkey). *Peace Forces in the Line of Fire: Application of International Humanitarian Law to Contemporary Peace Operations*
2. Raquel Regueiro (Instituto Universitario Gutiérrez Mellado, Spain). *The Evolution of the Use of Armed Force in International Missions*
3. Joanne Lekea (Hellenic Air Force Academy & National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece). *Warrior's Practice, Ethos and the Peacemaking Process after the War is ended*
4. Torunn Laugen Haaland (The Norwegian Institute for Defense Studies, Norway). *Role Perceptions in the Norwegian Armed Forces: From Homeland Defender to Security Policy Instrument*
5. Giulietta Aubry (University of Roma, Italy). *Italian Peacekeepers in Lebanon: An Analysis of Unifil II*
6. Janja Vuga (Faculty of Social Sciences, Slovenia). *Cross Cultural Interaction among Slovenian Soldiers and Others: Case Study of the Mission in Lebanon – Unifil*

## **WG Military Families**

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## **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1645-1800)**

### **WG Military Profession**

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1. Marina Nuciari (University of Torino, Italy). *From conventional to non-conventional to asymmetric military profession. What's going on in the soldier's educational field?*
2. Torunn Laugen Haaland (The Norwegian Institute for Defense Studies, Norway) *Learning lessons in Afghanistan: Norwegian strategic culture and the management of "lessons learned"*
3. Joseph Soeters (Netherlands Defence Academy, The Netherlands). *The (un)importance of the Effect Based Approach in the Afghanistan operations*
4. Kadir Varoğlu & Mesut Uyar & Ünsal Siğri (Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, Başkent University, Turkey). *The Impact of Asymmetric Warfare on the Structure and Training Systems: Some Examples from Turkish Armed Forces*
5. Vladimir Rukavishnikov (Moscow, Russia). *Georgia-Russia asymmetric war*

## **WG Recruitment and Retention**

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1. Bohuslav Pernica and Tomáš Zipfel (University of Defense, Czech Republic). *Czech Armed Forces Professionalization versus Labour Market*
2. Tibor Szvircsev Tresch (Swiss Military Academy at the ETH, Zurich, Switzerland). *Recruitment of military professionals by European all-volunteer forces as exemplified by Belgium, the Netherlands and Slovenia*
3. Georges Kaffes (Hellenic Army Academy, Greece). *Survey about the foreign cadet's integration in the Hellenic Army Academy*
4. Mariusz Wachowicz (Military Office for Social Research, Poland). *Factors of Retention in Private Corps in Poland*
5. Marcin Sinczuch (Military Office for Social Research, Poland). *Between myths and pragmatism – attitudes towards military service and institutions among Polish youth*

## **WG Warriors in Peacekeeping**

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1. Delphine Resteigne (Royal Military Academy, Belgium). *Still connected in Operations? A Look at the Use of Internet and Military Blogs among Soldiers*
2. Louise Weibull (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *Firm, fair and friendly - On the demands of emotional juggling in peace support operations with reference to Swedish military personnel*
3. Stuart Griffin (Defence Studies Department, King's College, London, UK). *Adaptation and Innovation in British Peacekeeping: The Impact of Current Operations*
4. Jelena Juvan & Janja Vuga (Faculty of Social Sciences, Slovenia). *What Motivates a Slovene Peacekeeper? Longitudinal Research of Motives and Expectations 2003 – 2009*
5. Enrique Vega (Instituto Universitario Gutiérrez Mellado, Spain). *Options of the Security Situation in Somalia*
6. Said Haddad (Ecoles Militaires de St-Cyr Coëtquidan, France). *Teaching Diversity and Multicultural Competence to Warriors: Culture used by Military: Reinforcing the Military Specificity?*

## **WG Public Opinion, Mass Media and the Military**

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1. Sabine Collmer (George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Germany). *Latest Developments in Afghanistan: Some Considerations about the Influence of Public Opinion on Security Policy Decision-Making in Germany*
2. Karen D. Davis (Canadian Defence Academy, Canada). *Public Discourse and the Warrior Paradigm: Canadian Casualties of Afghanistan, 2006*
3. Helen McCartney (King's College, London, UK). *The changing civil-military contract in Britain: the impact of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan*
4. Karol Čukan & Eva Pollakova (Ministerstvo obrany SR, Bratislava, Slovakia). *Military Operations in Iraq and Afghanistan: Public Perceptions*

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## **Wednesday, June 24**

### **Plenary Sessions**

- 0900-0915 Introduction
- 0915-1000 Keynote speech (To be announced)
- 1000-1045 Keynote speech (To be announced)
- 1045-1115 Coffee break
- 1115-1200 Discussion

## **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1330-1445)**

### **WG Women in the Military**

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1. Helena Carreiras (ISCTE - Lisbon University Institute, Portugal). *Public attitudes towards women in the military. The Portuguese case in comparative perspective*
2. Ceyda Kuloglu (Sociology Department, Başkent University, Turkey). *The attitudes of men towards the integration of women into the Turkish military*
3. Karen D. Davis (Canadian Forces Leadership Institute, Canada). *Public Discourse and the Warrior Paradigm: Canadian Casualties of Afghanistan, 2006*
4. Armando X. Estrada (WSUV – Psychology, Vancouver, Canada). *Sexual Harassment in the Swedish Armed Forces 1999-2005*

### **WG Recruitment and Retention**

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1. Johan Österberg (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *Conscripts willingness to sign up for international military service*
2. Beatriz Frieyro de Lara (University of Grenada, Spain). *Professionalization Process of the Spanish Armed Forces*
3. Christian Leuprecht (Military College of Canada). *The demographic economy of national defence: Turning “the problem” into part of the solution*
4. Lurdes Fonseca (Pólo Universitário do Alto da Ajuda, Portugal). *Input, Process and Output: Successful Professional Reintegration of Former Military Volunteers as the Final Step to a Systemic Approach on Military Service*
5. Thomas Bulmahn & Victoria Wieninger (SOWI, Germany). *Findings of an annual youth study: Young Germans interest in and awareness of the Bundeswehr as a potential employer*

### **WG Morale, Cohesion and Leadership**

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1. Alison Kaufman & Peter Mackenzie (China Studies Division of the CNA, USA). *Chinese military culture in tension: Ideals of equality vs. realities of command*
2. Gerry Larsson (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden) *Theoretical modelling of contextual influences on leadership*
3. Stefan Seiler (Swiss Military Academy at the ETH, Zurich, Switzerland). *(To be announced)*
4. Keren Shachaf & Oren Pizmoni-Levy & Ofir Vinshel (Israeli Defence Force’s School of Leadership Development, Israel). *Military leadership and social networks*
5. Ophir Weinshall & Henriette Kones-Forte & Ben-Ari Eyal (Israel. Tactical leadership, Israel). *Israeli ground forces and the second Lebanon war: Conceptual suggestions*
6. Claude Weber (Ecoles Militaires de St-Cyr Coëtquidan, France). *(to be announced)*

## **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1515-1630)**

### **Military Profession**

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1. Delphine Deschaux-Beaume (IEP de Grenoble, France). *French and German officers regarding ESDP: Same profession, different practices and representations?*
2. Jurate Novagrokiene (Strategic Research Center, Military Academy of Lithuania). *Image of the Military Profession in Lithuania: view from society, youngsters, and soldiers*
3. Maja Garb (Faculty of Social Sciences, Ljubljana, Slovenia). *The Revival of Sociological*

### *Debate on Military Professionalism*

4. Hermann Jung (Freelancer, Austria). *Intercultural Competence on the level of Interagency*
5. Charles Kirke (Cranfield University, Defence Academy, UK). *Change and Continuity in British Military Culture*

### **WG Democratic Control of the Armed Forces**

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1. Alexandre Lambert (School for International Training, Switzerland). *Implementation of Democratic Control of Armed Forces in the OSCE region: Lessons Learned from the OSCE Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security*
2. Sabine Mannitz (Hessische Stiftung Friedens- und Konfliktforschung (HSFK) Germany). *Convergences and Divergences in Democratic Rationales of Soldiering in Europe*
3. Riaz Ahmed Shaikh (Institute of Business & Technology (Biztek), Pakistan). *General Musharraf's Military Coup and Democratic Destruction in Pakistan*

### **WG The Blurring of Military and Police Roles**

**Co-ordinator: Prof. Dr. Marleen Easton**

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1. Kathleen M. & Donald J. Campbell (NY, USA). *Soldiers As Police Officers / Police Officers As Soldiers: Role Evolution And Revolution In The United States*
2. Michiel de Weger (The Netherlands). *The Potential of the European Gendarmerie Force.*
3. Beatrice Jauregui (University of Chicago, USA). *Civilizing Missions: The Co-Development of Police and Military Institutions in India*
4. Jelle Janssens (Institute for International Research on Criminal Policy, Gent, Belgium). *The European Security and Defence Policy and the Procurement of Public Security in Post-Conflict Societies*

### **Extra Session: PhD students introduce their research area**

**Co-ordinator: Dr. Hans Born (to be asked)**

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1. Silvia Würmli (Swiss Military Academy at the ETH, Zurich, Switzerland). *How are civilmilitary relations changing in Switzerland?*
2. Megan Ward (University of Essex, UK). *The Congolese military: An historical explanation for a notoriously ill-disciplined army*
3. Anja Opitz (Universität Innsbruck, Austria). *Integrated civil-military crisis management within ESDP: operational challenges and politico-strategic dimensions*
4. Mary Frances Lebamoff (IUS Secretariat Director, USA). *(to be announced)*

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## **Thursday, June 25**

### **Plenary Sessions**

0900-0915 Introduction

0915-1000 Keenote speech

1000-1015 Book presentation, Rebecca Schiff, USA. *The Military and Domestic Politics: A Concordance Theory of Civil-Military Relations*

1045-1100 Coffee break

1100-1115 Introduction plenary session

1115-1200 Barbara Jankowski (Centre d'études en sciences sociales de la défense, France) *(to be announced)*

Eva Haldén (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *On the concept of trust in multinational peacekeeping operations.*

Lindy Heinecken (Stellenbosch University, South-Africa).

*Outsourcing public security- the unintended consequences for the military profession.*

Gary Schaub (School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, USA).

*Privatization of Defense: Danish Officer Attitudes and Understanding*

## **Parallel Working Group Sessions (1330-1500)**

### **WG Military Profession**

**Co-ordinator: Prof. Dr. Giuseppe Caforio**

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1. Juha Mäkinen (Finland). *Comparative educational research: an emerging approach for shaping Euro-Military Identities in a future oriented way*
2. Maria de Lurdes Fonseca (Pólo Universitário do Alto da Ajuda, Portugal). *Portuguese Army Officers and the Military Academy – Social Origin and Academic Merit as Predictors of Professional Progression (1910-1974)*
3. Maria de Lurdes Fonseca (Pólo Universitário do Alto da Ajuda, Portugal). *Army Professionalization and Military Political Involvement during the Portuguese First Republic (1910-1926)*
4. Nebojsa Nikolic (Strategic Research Institute, Ministry of Defense, Serbia). *“Grey area” and around – ranking and selecting of military officers*
5. Ivan Zverzhanovski (Serbia). *Searching for a new identity – Changing Military Culture in Serbia's Military*
6. Andrew Scobell (Texas A&M University, USA). *Challenges in the Comparative Study of Culture and the Military: Comparing China and Europe*

### **WG Violence and the Military**

**Co-ordinator: Dr. Karl Ydén**

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1. Christopher Dandeker (King's College London, UK). *Strategic narratives and the use of force: the case of Afghanistan*
2. Karl Yden & Robert Egnell (Swedish National Defence College, Sweden). *It's fun to shoot some people! Violence, legitimacy and civil-military relations*
3. Bengt Abrahamsson (Professor emeritus, Sweden). *Complex Peace Operations and the Clausewitz Controversy. The Quest for Doctrine*
4. Theresa Canjar Wirtz. *War as Political Thanatology: The Political Exploitation of Human Mortality*
5. Eyal Ben-Ari (Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel). *New Models of Violence?*
6. Anthony King (University of Exeter, UK). *Doing Violence*

### **WG Public Opinion, Mass Media and the Military**

**Co-ordinator: Prof. Dr. Marjan Malesic**

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1. Rene Moelker (Netherlands Defence Academy, The Netherlands).. *From Dutch Approach to Comprehensive Approach. A Change in the Political Narrative Explaining the Mission*
2. Barbara Jankowski (Centre d'études en sciences sociales de la defense, France). *French Military facing non military challenges*
3. Silvia Würmli (Swiss Military Academy at the ETH, Zurich, Switzerland). *The Public Attitude towards the Military: Shift from ambivalent to indifferent?*
4. Marjan Malešič (Faculty of Social Sciences, Slovenia). *Declining public support for (military) missions abroad? The case of Slovenia*

## **1530-1545 End of Conference**



## ***2009 International Biennial Conference of the Inter-university Seminar on Armed forces and Society***

The Palmer House Hilton in Chicago, Illinois USA  
23 – 25 October 2009

### **A Call for Papers**

DEADLINE: Monday 02 February 2009

The International Biennial Conference of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society will be held in downtown Chicago, Illinois, at the Palmer House Hilton on 23 – 25 October 2009. The Program Committee is currently soliciting proposals for individual papers and for panel sessions.

PLEASE NOTE: 2009 CONFERENCE PANELS WILL BEGIN FRIDAY MORNING, 23 October, with panels both morning and afternoon, and the IUS Welcome Reception and Dinner that evening. The regular Saturday and Sunday schedules will remain, with panels ending Sunday 25 October at noon. It may be best to plan to arrive on Thursday 22 October 2009.

Prospective participants may submit proposals on any topic within the broad intellectual scope of the IUS. Comparative and cross-national research is strongly encouraged. The following list is offered for consideration, but proposals are not limited to these suggestions.

### **Global Coalitions and Cross-National Alliances**

- Cooperation and conflict between NATO and non-NATO militaries
- Interface of East and West with developing nations
- New economic and military alliances
- The military's role(s) in democratization and nation building

### **Social and Personnel Issues**

- Social, cultural, medical, and institutional aftermaths of military conflicts
- Social issues (families, quality of life, women, minorities, gays in the military, etc.)
- Force restructuring (active-reserve mix, conscript v. professional, etc.)
- Impact of different cultures on military operations
- Enlisted and reserve forces: the quest for respect

### **Area Studies and Cross-National Analyses of Military Institutions**

- Economic and military impact of the Pacific Rim and Asia
- Changing civil-military relations in EU and NATO enlargement
- The post-modern military reconsidered
- People's Liberation Army (PLA) of China, and its impact on society

### **Civil-Military Relations**

- Impact of military operations on recruiting, retention, patriotism, anti-war/pro-war coalitions, etc.

- Military culture and/or structure of armed forces
- Conscription and/or national service

## **Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism, and Counter-Insurgency**

- International cooperation in counter-terrorism
- Conceptualizing ""terrorists"", ""insurgents"" and ""freedom fighters""
- Changing nature of warfare and counter-terrorism
- Home fronts in warfare and counter-terrorism
- Depictions of the military, insurgents, terrorists and counter-terrorism in the media
- New missions and roles of military forces: Blurring military and police roles
- Legal issues relevant to the military, terrorism and counter-terrorism
- Civil-military relations after September 11, 2001 and subsequent events
- Pre-emptive strikes and potential repercussions
- The UN's role in fighting terror
- Debating the links between US and/or other countries' foreign policies and terrorism

## **Post-Cold War Military Operations**

- Peacekeeping and Peacemaking operations
- War in close quarters: Urban warfare after Mogadishu
- Roles of the UN and NATO
- Intra-state conflict, and domestic and international military involvement

## **The Panels**

Most of the Conference is devoted to concurrent panels divided into simultaneous sessions each day. Again, note that panels will begin on FRIDAY MORNING, 23 October 2009. This is a change from previous years, intended to accommodate the growth of this important international conference.

Panels will be scheduled for 90 minutes each. Typically, panels have three to five panelists, a chair and a presenter. Individuals submitting single papers will be grouped by relevant subject matter into panels by the Committee. Panels are limited to no more than five (5) papers.

Proposals for entire panels (5 papers maximum) must indicate if a presenter is being requested (see below). Panel proposals with more than five (5) papers will be rejected by the Program Committee.

## **Presenter Format**

Panels will use the presenter format, pioneered by IUS Founding Chairman Morris Janowitz. Presenters provide a summary and analysis of panelists' papers, including their own critique. The authors of the individual papers then make brief comments after the presenter's overview. This maximizes time available for discussion and provides a thematic overview of the papers. This differs from the discussant model used at other conferences, where paper authors speak first, and then the discussant provides his/her own comments and critique of the papers. As a courtesy, authors should provide copies of their papers to the presenter and the other panelists at least four (4) weeks in advance of the Conference.

## Proposal Dates and Deadlines

The Program Committee must receive e-mailed proposals no later than Monday 02 February 2009. The IUS Secretariat will acknowledge receipt of each proposal via email.

## New Publications

Caforio Giuseppe “The military profession:., public trust and public interest”, in *Connections*, vol. VII, No. 4, 2008, pp. 95 - 110

Caforio Giuseppe, Christopher Dandeker and Gerhard Kuemmel *Armed forces, soldiers and civil-military relations: Essays in Honor of Jurgen Kuhlmann*, Wiesbaden, Sozialwissenschaften, 2009, pp.290-

The contributions to this anthology in honor of the late military sociologist Jurgen Kuhlman focus on soldier and his relations towards the armed forces and towards society. This individual - organization and individual- society nexus is explored from different angles by looking at different national and international contexts. The chapters to this volume thus help the academic as well as the practitioner and the interested reader to better understand the dynamics and the crucial issues in this soldier- military - society triangle.

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Dale Herspring, The Kremlin and the High Command. Presidential Impact on the Russian Military from Gorbachev to Putin, Lawrence, University Press of Kansas, 2006, 242 pages

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**Jihadist Terrorist Use of Strategic Communication Management Techniques**

Date: December 2008

Author: Dr. Carsten Bockstette

As long as the East bloc existed, military conflicts were largely determined by the policy of the USA and the USSR. Since the East-West conflict was decided in favour of the West, numerous asymmetrical conflicts have erupted around the globe in the aftermath. Terrorist conflicts have

become a worldwide menace. Jihadist terrorism has spread beyond the borders of the regions in which it had its origin and has reached a global dimension.

The terrorist abuse of airliners as bombs on September 11, 2001 was a sad climax in this new asymmetrical jihadist conflict. To offset this threat requires knowledge of what motivates, feeds and sanctions jihadist terrorists and their followers. Research and analysis of the root causes and underlying conditions, motivators and enablers of terrorism including the agitation propaganda of jihadist terrorists are vital to shaping appropriate countermeasures to the threat from Islamic terrorism.

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Europe's Dependence on Russian Natural Gas: Perspectives and Recommendations for a Long-term Strategy

Date: September 2008

Author: Richard J. Anderson

While the current European Union energy policy is forward thinking in its targets for renewable energy, economizing, and emission reduction, it falls short in its failure to recognize the security threat of the increasing dependence on Russian hydrocarbons - in particular, natural gas. This paper proposes a diversification strategy with concrete steps that can be taken in a variety of energy policy areas to create, over the long-term, a more balanced approach to meeting energy needs. Europe must undertake such a strategy not only because over-reliance on any one source represents unsound policy, but more importantly because domination of the European market has been a clear and calculated goal that an unreliable Russian administration has been working towards for several years. Russian domination of the European natural gas market would give the Kremlin incredible leverage in its dealings with its European neighbours. Europe's dependence on Russia for natural gas already profoundly affects the freedom of action of certain European states and will increasingly erode European sovereignty. Several factors could mitigate Russia's capability to monopolize natural gas markets on the European continent. This article also discusses these factors, in particular in the context of the kind of steps greater Europe could take to ensure Russia does not realize its goal of reasserting coercive influence through its 'energy weapon.'

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**Publications From Pfp Consortium Of Defense**

**Connections, The Quarterly Journal** Vol. VII, No. 3 Summer Supplement 2008. Articles by:

Walter L. Christman: "The Pfp Consortium 'Community of experts' approach to international security cooperation"

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## **News from ISA Secretariat and RC01 members**

### **ISA Secretariat**

Dear Colleagues,

It is our pleasure to invite Research Committee 01 on Armed Forces and Society to participate in a new initiative of the International Sociological Association: the creation of Sociopedia, an on-line collection of state of the art reviews of areas in the social sciences which will be edited by Sage Publications.

**Sociopedia.ISA®** is a new concept of knowledge dissemination. It combines the best of two worlds: the opportunities the Internet offers and the scientific quality guaranteed by solid and imaginative editing. While experienced editors make sure that the highest possible quality is offered, the Internet makes it possible to always provide the most recent state of the art. Entries are updated on a regular base; moreover each entry has a discussion section annexed to it.

We would appreciate if RC01 could write an entry about its field of specialization which will

become one of the first fifty entries that we plan to have on line within four months.

A typical Sociopedia-article is of approx. 7.000 words and it should follow this structure:

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- \* 100 word abstract
- \* approx. ten key-words
- \* major theoretical approaches
- \* empirical evidence
- \* critical assessment of theory and evidence
- \* new directions
- \* annotated references and suggested reading
- \* references

Articles will be in English. Each article will have a Spanish and French abstract.

## **RC01 members**

The Center of Military History and Lessons Learned - G. S. Rakovski Defense and Staff College, Sofia, Bulgaria, in coordination with the Bulgarian Commission of Military History, organized on October 13-17, 2008 in Sofia, Bulgaria, an International Conference: "State building traditions. 100 Years of Independent Bulgarian State". The conference aimed to reveal the processes of construction and functioning of the basic state institutions from the declaration of the independence till nowadays. The discussion focused on the historical traditions of a state building of a young Balkan national state (as a Case Study) within the specific frames of regional and global armed conflicts and radical social transformations in the XX century. The main topics were:

1. The issues of continuity and break of institutional development due to the political changes of the social and constitutional system (monarchy-republic; parliamentary democracy-dictatorship).
2. The dilemma of national independence and territorial integrity versus coalition relationships and regional integration in war and peace time.
3. Lessons Learned and the new challenges of the contemporary state building process in South Eastern Europe and the wider Black Sea region.

Thematic areas:

1. Parliamentary, Legislative and Normative Traditions
2. Diplomacy and Foreign Policy
3. National Defense Concepts and Armed Forces Buildup
4. Internal Order and Homeland Security
5. Financial and Bank System

## 6. The Role of the Ecclesiastical Institutions

Aigerim Shilibekova ([aigerimsh@gmail.com](mailto:aigerimsh@gmail.com)) presented the paper on “Some Peculiarities of National Armed Forces Buildup in the Republic of Kazakhstan”. My study aimed at tracing back the peculiarities of the armed forces build-up in sovereign Kazakhstan in early 1990s and examining evolution of capabilities and major transformations of Kazakhstan’s military formations during the last decade.

## News on Job Positions, Scholarships

### **ISA Search for a new editor:**

#### **CURRENT SOCIOLOGY MONOGRAPHS**

#### **SSIS BOOK SERIES**

The present Editor of the *Current Sociology Monographs* and of the Sage Studies in International Sociology (SSIS) Book Series, Julia Evetts, will soon complete her term of service. The ISA is now seeking expressions of interest for this position. The new editor will take on responsibilities six months after the search committee has reached a decision.

#### *Please Note:*

*Since correspondence is generally conducted via e-mail, there is no residence requirement. We are therefore soliciting applications in English, French, or Spanish from ISA members on all the continents. If the candidate chosen is not a native speaker of English, the ISA will provide help in language editing.*

Below is further information on the monographs and on the book series, the tasks associated with the editorship and instructions on how to indicate your interest in the appointment.

#### ***Current Sociology Monographs***

*Current Sociology Monographs* are published twice a year as part of the portfolio journal *Current Sociology*. The monographs, which are published in English with abstracts in French and Spanish, are collections of articles on a central theme, initiated by one or more of the ISA Research Committees,\* or by one or more of the National Associations. Monograph themes are likely to be adapted from conference proceedings, but the papers to be included in the monograph are peer-reviewed. Thus, the monographs reflect the on-going research activities of groups belonging to the ISA.

#### ***Sage Studies in International Sociology***

Publications in the Sage Studies in International Sociology include Handbooks and collections of articles deemed suitable by Sage. Policy guidelines for choosing series publications are currently under review.

#### **The Editor's Role**

The editor should have a vision of the kinds of themes and debates which reflect the dynamic developments of the ISA and contribute to the advance of sociology today.

Expressions of interest should be submitted to Devorah Kalekin-Fishman, ISA Vice-President for Publications by the end of July, 2009.

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\* RC in this call stands for all the ISA research groups, including WGs, and TGs.



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## Membership and Financial Issues

### 1. General

Has your institutional affiliation, your address, your phone or fax number, or your email address changed in the recent past? If so, please fill in the formula on Membership Confirmation (in block letters!) and send it to the Executive Secretary in order to update the list of RC 01 members. Or send him an email ([uros.svete@fdv.uni-lj.si](mailto:uros.svete@fdv.uni-lj.si)). Please check whether your RC 01 membership will be running out soon and renew your membership in time. In case you are not sure about your membership status, please contact the Executive Secretary.

### 2. Dues

The dues for a four year period are at least 10,- US \$ and at the most 50,- US \$. The amount will be left to each colleague's own estimation. As a guide the following is recommended:

Students	25,- US \$
Students of third world countries	10,- US \$
Established academics	50,- US \$
Established academics of third world countries	25,- US \$

### 3. ISA Membership

ISA membership fees cover a four-year period and include a subscription to *International Sociology*. Membership fees are divided into three categories, A, B and C, according to the GNP of countries.

#### *Category A:*

Regular membership: 255,- US \$  
Student rate: 120,- US \$

#### *Category B:*

Regular membership: 105,- US \$  
Student rate: 50,- US \$

#### *Category C:*

Regular membership: 25,- US \$  
Student rate: 15,- US \$

You may also become a Supporting Member of the ISA (400,- US \$). In addition, there is the category of a Life Member of the ISA if you are aged 60 plus (New: 300 US \$). For further information, including a table of countries by categories, see the ISA web page: <http://www.ucm.es/info/isa>

#### **4. Membership Development:**

Total ISA members in good standing in RC01, 2009 = 81. But as in Presidential letter stays, we urgently need good membership standing for the next ISA World Congress. Therefore I ask especially those whose membership will expire this year to prolong it. You can do it on this web page <https://secured.com/~f3641/formisa.htm>. Of course you can also contact or write to ISA [isa@isa-sociology.org](mailto:isa@isa-sociology.org), fax:34-91352 4945 or to my e-mail [uros.svete@fdv.uni-lj.si](mailto:uros.svete@fdv.uni-lj.si). I would help you with my pleasure. In case you decide just to be a member of RC 01 (and not member of ISA), please contact me directly.

The Executive Secretary

Uros Svete

#### **5. Financial Situation in April 2009**

RC 01 has 1540,00 EUR + 1000,00 \$ at its account in November 2008. 435 \$ RC01 has at ISA Secretariat account.

*We hope that you enjoyed reading this issue of RC 01's newsletter*

Giuseppe Caforio, President

Uros Svete, Executive Secretary