

December 2016 Newsletter

Strasbourg: 4 January, 2017

Dear colleagues,

Here are the latest news regarding our Research Committee.

I wish you every success in the coming year.

Jean-Pascal Daloz RC 20 President

XIX ISA Congress of Sociology Toronto (July 2018)

Please be informed that Professor David Weakliem (University of Connecticut), Member of the RC 20 board, has kindly accepted to coordinate our sessions in Canada. Those who wish to propose a session should contact him at: <u>david.weakliem@uconn.edu</u>

(deadline for session proposals: 15 January, 2017)

Conferences Announcement

Further to the announcement made in the previous newsletter (July 2016), I am happy to confirm that an Interim conference on "*Nouvelles directions dans l'étude de la distinction sociale*" will be organised at the University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, probably in October this year. The conference will be in French, for a change.

Members wishing to send a paper proposal may contact Professor Hughes Draelants (<u>hugues.draelants@uclouvain.be</u>), or me.

An application for a grant from ISA will be made this month.

International Conference on 'Social Trust: Comparative Perspectives' November 18-20, 2017 Chuo University, Tokyo. Japan The submission deadline of an abstract July 31, 2017 Contact: Masamichi Sasaki Former Vice Chair of RC 20 masasaki@tamacc.chuo-u.ac.jp

Distinctions

Marita Carballo (Member of the RC 20 board) was 'selected as Vice President/President Elect' of WAPOR (the World Association for Public Opinion Research).

Jualynne Dodson has received the A. Wade Smith 'Lifetime of teaching and mentoring service Award' from the Association of Black Sociologists.

Recent publications by RC 20 members

GETTING RESPECT

Responding to Stigma and Discrimination in the United States, Brazil, and Israel

Michèle Lamont, Graziella Moraes Silva, Jessica S. Welburn, Joshua Guetzkow, Nissim Mizrachi, Hanna Herzog & Elisa Reis

"GETTING RESPECT brings a powerful comparative lens to understanding the experiences of disadvantaged minorities. With fresh data from the United States, Brazil, and Israel, Michèle Lamont and her colleagues sketch a rich portrait of responses to encounters with discrimination. This ambitious book reveals anew the deep complexity, contextual variation, and poignant human meaning of ethnoracial disadvantage. It is a must-read for all those interested in the contemporary dynamics of ethnoracial identities and struggles."

—Lawrence Bobo, Harvard University

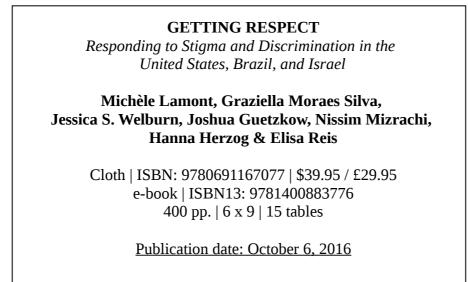
Racism is a common occurrence for members of marginalized groups around the world. **GETTING RESPECT:** *Responding to Stigma and Discrimination in the United States, Brazil, and Israel* illuminates their experiences by comparing three countries with enduring group boundaries: the United States, Brazil and Israel. The authors delve into what kinds of stigmatizing or discriminatory incidents individuals encounter in each country, how they respond to these occurrences, and what they view as the best strategy—whether individually, collectively, through confrontation, or through self-improvement—for dealing with such events.

This deeply collaborative and integrated study draws on more than four hundred in-depth interviews with middle- and working-class men and women residing in and around multiethnic cities—New York City, Rio de Janeiro, and Tel Aviv—to compare the discriminatory experiences of African Americans, black Brazilians, and Arab Palestinian citizens of Israel, as well as Israeli Ethiopian Jews and Mizrahi Jews. Detailed analysis reveals significant differences in group behavior: Arab Palestinians frequently

remain silent due to resignation and cynicism while black Brazilians emphasize stigmatization by class more than by race, and African Americans confront situations with less hesitation than do Ethiopian Jews and Mizrahim, who tend to downplay their exclusion. The authors account for these patterns by considering the extent to which each group is actually a group, the sociohistorical context of intergroup conflict, and the national ideologies and other cultural repertoires that group members rely on. **GETTING RESPECT** is a rich and daring book that opens many new perspectives into, and sets a new global agenda for, the comparative analysis of race and ethnicity.

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Nikolai GENOV, 'Decomposing Rationalities and Irrationalities in the Management of the Eurozone Crisis', *Journal of Contemporary Management*, 2016, Vol. 5(3), pp. 71-85.

Nikolai GENOV, 'Towards a Synergetic and Probabilistic Approach to Cross-Border Migration', *International Journal of Social Sciences*, Vol. V(4), pp. 44-66.