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#### A "reminder" from the RC 36 President

# SECOND ISA FORUM "Social Justice and Democratization" (Buenos Aires/ Argentinia – 01. – 04.08.2012)

http://www.isa-sociology.org/buenos-aires-2012/

The RC36 at the ISA intends to take an active part in the work of the Second ISA Forum in Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1-4-August 2012. RC36 invites interested members and researchers to submit proposals for sessions dealing with questions of theoretical and empirical significance for the field.

The proposal should include the name and the contact information of the session organizer, a session title, and an abstract of approximately 200 words that clarifies the session's theme and the type of research interests which it in particular will address.

#### **Dear RC36 members!**

The deadline for submitting session proposals for the Second Forum on Sociology 2012, Buenos Aires, has been extended to July 11th, 2011.

Please send your proposals to Vessela. <a href="Misheva@soc.uu.se">Misheva@soc.uu.se</a>, Dirk Michel-Schertges <a href="Misheva@soc.uu.se">Misheva@soc.uu.se</a>, and Miriam Adelman <a href="Misheva@soc.uu.se">Misheva@soc.uu.se</a>, as soon as possible.

Our RC must submit the final list of Forum sessions to the ISA by July 15, 2011.

Regards, Vessela Misheva Proposals for sessions which deal with the interpretation of classical perspectives, encourage the

discussion of modern forms of alienation, or offer cross-national and comparative perspectives on the

varieties and forms of alienation on personal, organizational, and societal levels in the contemporary

world are equally welcomed. Also of interest are proposals for joint sessions to be held in cooperation

with another ISA Research Committee.

Please note that if your proposal is approved you are expected to organize the session and serve as

its convener and chair. According to regulations, a session chairperson cannot present a paper at the

session s/he is chairing.

Session proposals are to be submitted by 12 July 2011. Please send your session proposal by e-mail

(address given below) to Vessela Misheva (Vessela.Misheva@soc.uu.se) who will serve as RC36

Program Coordinator for the 2012 ISA Forum and Cc to and **Dirk Michel-Schertges** (dimi@dpu.dk).

Please note that if your proposal is approved you are expected to organize the session and serve as its

convener and chair. According to regulations, a session chairperson cannot present a paper at the

session s/he is chairing.

Vessela Misheva

President RC36

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#### **RC36 and RC38 Interim Conference**

#### "Beyond Alienation and Integration: Social Issues and Movements"

(Curitiba/ Brazil – 24 -25.07.2011 at the **Hotel Altarregia**)

The Research Committee on Alienation Theory and Research (RC36) and the Research Committee on Social Movements, Collective Action and Social Change (RC 48) are jointly organizing a two-day interim conference in Curitiba, Brazil, in conjunction with the XV Congress of the Brazilian Sociological Association.



This interim conference aims to bring together scholars from the two Committees who systematically deal with the modern challenges which research on alienation and social movements face today, including points of intersection between the two fields.

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#### Price for one night:

BR real \$112,50 per night (USD 67.57 at today's exchange rates, same rate for single or double room, with breakfast included)

Our conference will immediately precede the Brazilian conference, which runs from the 26th to the 29th of July. More information concerning the Brazilian Congress, the topic of which is *Changes, Permanencies and Sociological Challenges*, can be found at <a href="http://www.sbs2011.sbsociologia.com.br/">http://www.sbs2011.sbsociologia.com.br/</a>. This site is available in Portuguese, Spanish, and English The link below provides a glimpse of the beauty of the conference venue: <a href="http://www.curitiba-parana.net/brazil/pictures.htm">http://www.curitiba-parana.net/brazil/pictures.htm</a>

#### **Program**

#### RC36 and RC48 at the ISA

## Interim Conference in Curitiba, Brazil – 24-25 July 2011 Beyond Alienation and Integration: Social Issues and Movements

24 July 2011

09:00-09:15 Conference Opening

9:15-10:00 Keynote: Lauren Langman and Devorah Kalekin-Fishman: Alienation and Social Movements.

**Discussant:** Tova Benski

10:00-10:15 Coffee break

10:15-12:15 Session 1: Culture, Gender, and Alienation Moderator: Marvin Prosono, Missouri State University, USA

**10:15-10:45 Miriam Adelman**, *Women's Subjectivities and Corporealities – Deconstructing "Alienated Femininity" through Equestrian Practices.* 

**10:45-11:15** Bila Sorj, Gender and the New Paradigm of Public Policies in Brazil.

**11:15-11:45 David G. Embrick**, Exporting Diversity Ideology: Transnational Corporations and Maintaining White Male Solidarity in a Globalized Economy.

**11:45-12:15** Richard Miskolci, Brothers and Machos: An Ethnography of the Closet in Online Male Homoerotic Relations.

12:15-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:30 Session 2: Alienation and Globalization.

Moderator: Vessela Misheva, Skövde University & Uppsala University, Sweden

**13:30-14:00 Marvin Prosono**, *Brazil in the Cinematic Imagination: An Instance in the Global Extradition of Alienation.* 

14:00-14:30 Alvaro N. Calara, Urbanization and Ethnicity: A Global-Local Dialectic.

14:30-15:00 Lauren Langman, Globalization from Below.

**15:00-15:30 Andrew Blasko**, *Is Alienation an Inalienable Human Right?* 

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break

16:00-18:00 Session 3: Alienation and Democracy

**Moderator:** Andrew Blasko, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden

**16:00-16:30** Lennita Ruggi and Rosimeire Barboza da Silva, Questioning Democracy: Violence against Homeless People in Brazil.

**16:30-17:00 Dirk Michel-Schertges**, *The Knowledge Society – Progress and Property vs. Human Development.* 

**17:00-17:30 Tova Benski**, Alienation as "Emotional Liberation" among Women Peace Activists in Israeli Society.

**17:30-18:00 Karori Signh,** *Tamil Ethnic Alienation and Secessionist Movement in the Post-Colonial Sri Lanka:* Dynamics of Democratization and Scope for Reconciliation

18:15-19:00 RC36 Board Meeting

19:30 RC36 Dinner

#### 25 July 2011

9:00-11:00 Session 4: Alienation and Community Life

Moderator: Miriam Adelman, Universidade Federal do Paraná, Curitiba, Brazil

9:00-9:30 Luis Berrucuecos, Alienation, Lifestyle and Healthcare in an Indian Community in Mexico.

**9:30-10:00 P. Balan**, Making Democracy Work: Community Participation in the Local Governance in Kerala.

**10:00–10:30 Daniela Sant Ana**, Collective Action on Natural Resources: The Participation of Rural Communities in the Management Council for the Environmental Protection Area of Guaratuba, Parana.

**10:30-11:00** Akbar Valadbigi, Studying the Elements of Work Alienation in the Orumiyeh White Cement Factory.

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-13:15 Session 5: New Theoretical Approaches to Alienation

Moderator: Dirk Michel-Schertges, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark

**11:15-11:45 Tanya Jukkala**, Suicide: An Interpretation of Alienation from a Luhmannian Perspective.

**11:45-12:15 Vessela Misheva**, Alienation from a Symbolic Interactionist Perspective.

**12:15-12:45 Gabriel Peters**, The Theory of Action in Light (and in the Shadow) of Schizophrenic Alienation: An Essay in Insane Epistemology.

12:45-13:15 Lennart Räterlink, The Neighbor and the Art of the Impossible: On the Zizekian Political Act.

13:15-14:00 Lunch

14:00-16:30 Session 6: Alienation, (Dis)integration, and Modern Political Life

Moderator: Tova Benski, College of Management, Rishon Lezion, Israel

**14:00-14:30** Annie Dymetman, From Mediation to Transmediation: Perceptions of Alienation.

**14:30-15:00 Ong Beng Kok**, A Marxian Form of Work Alienation: A Critical Examination of its Relevance from a Case of Sales Workers.

15:00-15:30 Shannon Walsh, "Radical Chic" and the Demise of Collective Power in Contemporary South Africa.

**15:30-16:00** Luke Sinwell, The Role of Opposition Political Parties in Social Movement Struggles in Soweto, Johannesburg: Unlikely Partners, Strategic Outcomes.

**16:00-16:30 Latif Norov**, Increasing Social and Economic Mobility to Promote Broad-Based Economic Growth.

#### 16:30-16:40 Conference Closing

#### 16:40-17:15 Coffee break

#### 17:15-18:15 RC36 Business Meeting

- 1. Opening and Welcome by the President
- 2. Interim Conferences Second ISA Forum of Sociology 1-4 August 2012, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 3. Report of the Secretary membership situation/newsletter
- 4. Board members' reports
- 5. Financial report
- 6. Travel grants for young scholars
- 7. RC36 publications and discussion forums (Facebook, Linkedin?)
- 8. World Congress of Sociology
- 9. Other business from the floor

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