This is the fifth issue of LANGUAGE & SOCIETY, the Newsletter of the Research Committee 25 of the International Sociological Association (ISA). This issue of the Newsletter will provide readers with important information about the activities of our Research Committee.

First of all, you will find the full report of the RC25 Business meeting, which took place during the ISA World Forum of Sociology in Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1-4 August 2012. You will also find information about the opportunity to publish your work in the e-journal “Language, Discourse, & Society”. Please remember that the call for articles for Language, Discourse & Society is open on a permanent basis; at the moment the third issue is almost ready, and it will be published by the end of December. You will find the call for papers for Language, Discourse, & Society in the Newsletter.

Once more, I would like to thank the contributors of the first two issues of Language, Discourse & Society for the high quality of their articles. In case you have not read the first and the second issue of Language, Discourse & Society, feel free to download them at: http://www.language-and-society.org/journal/issues.html.

Language, Discourse, & Society is an international peer reviewed journal with a scientific board composed by the members of the RC25 executive board. It is published twice annually in electronic form, and it will be open to articles dedicated to all aspects of sociological analyses of language, discourse and representation. The journal has its ISSN code and it’s going to be listed in the most important databases of Open Access Journals. In this newsletter you will also find important information regarding the awards launched by the Research Committee on Language & Society of the International Sociological Association, one for graduate students and one for scholars.

The Newsletter you are reading contains a news section about conferences, publishing opportunities and relevant information from the members. I would like to stress that the Newsletter has benefited from feedback from readers in the past, so please send
information about conferences, grants and publishing opportunities which might be of interest for other RC25 members.
As usual, if you have any suggestions or criticisms, please do not hesitate to contact the Newsletter editor at: federico.farini@unimore.it

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Dear Colleagues,

As you know, the ISA convened its Second International Forum in Buenos Aires, Argentina this past August. For the ISA, this was a long overdue return to Latin America—it had been 30 years since our last meeting in Mexico in 1982. On behalf of our RC, I want to offer special thanks to ISA president Michael Burawoy, ISA vice-president of research, Margaret Abraham, and the local organizing committee lead by Alberto Bialakowsky and Alicia Palermo, for all that they did to bring the conference to South America.

The Forum proved to be a vibrant intellectual environment with 3,600 people from 84 countries attending. The Forum theme of Social Justice and Democratization had deep resonance as scholars gathered at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) to attend more than 650 sessions and four plenaries on themes of: social justice and democratization, gender and human rights, social and economic inequalities, and public sociology. UBA, is a free public university in the heart of the city—this presented both challenges and opportunities. Surrounded by small shops, parks and cafés, the university was, in many ways, an ideal location.

Our RC 25 theme, The Language of Justice was an excellent fit with the program and was well received. We featured 14 sessions, including two joint sessions: one with RC54 The Body in Social Sciences entitled Empowerment, Language & the Body and another with RC 14 Sociology of Communication, Knowledge and Culture entitled Language and Discourse in Online Social Media. Our sessions included English, Spanish and Portuguese. All sessions were well attended—most had fully packed rooms—and generated many animated discussions. I missed two of our sessions but I suspect that others will agree when I say that we hosted the most consistently exciting panels that I have seen at any conference. The level of excellence was impressive and inspiring.

I want to recognize and appreciate all of the session organizers who worked diligently (despite the troubles of a new registration system) to create diverse sessions with impressive intellectual substance. I also thank each of the scholars who presented in our sessions. Your scholarship not only advanced the field of language and society, it also effectively demonstrated the importance of sociological analyses of language to scholars outside of the field who have interests in substantive areas such as inequality.
Finally, I thank all of our executive board for their support in organizing this conference—most especially our treasurer Melanie Heath who co-organized our reception and facilitated grants and awards; Stéphanie Cassilde who oversaw the Award Committee and presented a plaque to the winner (in absentia); and to Amado Alarcón who worked tirelessly on many fronts to ensure a successful conference. You can read more about the reception and the award in this newsletter.

Buenos Aires was an exciting city for the conference full of exceptional restaurants, museums, tango shows—and for the more daring, tango lessons! I look forward to building on our many successes in 2014 when we will be in Yokohama, Japan!

In the meantime, all best wishes for the holidays and the coming new year!

Celine-Marie Pascale
President, RC 25

We began a wonderful evening of socializing and networking that brought together about twenty RC25 members with a toast at Mamarracha to the continuing success of our section.

Our dinner reception followed at La Escondido in the trendy Palmero district of Buenos Aires. We enjoyed a glass of sparkling wine and delicious empanadas before moving outside to the patio where we spent a lovely evening getting to know one another and sampling the wonderful bife de chorizo, pollo, and asado, which is an Argentinian staple, and other delightful vegetarian dishes. I want to offer special thanks to Germán Dario Fernández, a doctoral student at the Universidad de Buenos Aires and the École of Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris, for locating this wonderful restaurant and acting as our host.

Melanie Heath
Treasurer, RC 25
Dear Colleagues,

Greetings! As part of our ongoing communication I want to share with you the following.

1. Post ISA 2012 Forum of Sociology

   a. Abstracts posted on the ISA Forum website

   b. Forum 2012 Plenary session online videos
      The plenary session videos are posted at http://www.isa-sociology.org/buenos-aires-2012/forum2012-videos.htm

   c. Social Justice and Democratization Space: http://sjdspace.sagepub.com/
      I would like to strongly encourage you as Presidents of the Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups to help build up the Social Justice and Democratization space. It is vital to have ISA members creatively conceptualize and effectively utilize cyberspace for more equitable knowledge production, exchange, dissemination, and action by people across the globe. ISA’s strength, success, and sustainability in the future will be partially contingent on our ability to be continuously sociological relevant, resourceful and innovative in shaping our world. RC/WG/TG members can make an invaluable contribution to this site.

2. Initial Guidelines for Program Coordinators for the XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology, Yokohama, Japan, July 13-19, 2014.
   Attached are the initial guidelines for the RC/WG/TG Program Coordinators for the XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology. We are also working closely with Confex to design a detailed online handbook that we hope will be helpful and user friendly to Program Coordinators and Session Organizers.

3. Designating Program Coordinators 15, January 2013 Deadline
   This is also a reminder to please provide to Izabela at isa@isa-sociology.org the name of the designated Program Coordinator for your RC/WG/TG as well as a deadline for submission of sessions’ proposals, keeping in mind that a final list of sessions needs to be received at the ISA Secretariat by April 7, 2013 for posting on the Congress website.
4. Proposals for Integrative Sessions: 15, January 2012 Deadline
This is a follow up reminder of the **15 January 2013 deadline** for submitting proposals for Integrative Sessions which involve at least 3 Research Committees, Working and/or Thematic Groups, 3 National Associations or a combination of the two. Please consult ISA Congress website for guidelines for applying for integrative sessions [http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2014/integrative-sessions.htm](http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2014/integrative-sessions.htm)

5. Global Dialogue Newsletter

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RC 25 BUSINESS MEETING REPORT
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA 2012

The Executive Board members present were: Celine-Marie Pascale, Amado Alarcón, and Melanie Heath. Non-voting board members also in attendance were Stéphanie Cassilde and Marta Soler Gallart. Approximately 8 RC25 members also attended. Marta served as secretary for the meeting.

The President of RC25, Celine-Marie Pascale, called the meeting to order and thanked members of the board for their contributions to the RC’s success. She then offered a summary of the performance of the Executive Board over the two years since our last meeting in Gothenburg, Sweden.

- We established two academic awards for scholarship. Under the leadership of Stéphanie Cassilde we established an awards committee to review articles and in 2012 granted our first award.
- We established an on-line journal, Language, Discourse & Society and created a semiannual newsletter. Under the leadership of Federico Farini we now have publications four times a year.
- We revised our bylaws. Melanie Heath conducted an online vote to ratify the changes and we should be hearing the results shortly.
- We organized a reception for RC members at the Forum. Thanks to the leadership of Melanie Heath we enjoyed a delicious meal and time to socialize with each other.

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD

Amado Alarcón, Vice-President
- We filed 14 sessions at the Forum with 4-5 papers in each session; we held 3 joint sessions; and hosted a total of 92 scholars. Let’s consider organizing different types of sessions in the future.
- We had 16 applications for the ISA travel funds. We were able to allocate only two grants, these went to scholars from B Countries who were active in our program. There was some difficulty about the timing of registration and funding requests as well as with funding scholars from C Countries because resources are so limited.
- We will be organizing for Yokahoma shortly and it is important to receive proposals for sessions from our members.

Federico Farini, Publications Editor
- Was not present at the meeting but offered a written statement that noted that the newsletter is now available on the RC 25 website and it is also emailed to members.
• We have started a new journal, Language Discourse and Society that includes articles from around the globe. Will work to include more scholarship from Latin America.
• Proposed a budget and requested funds to pay a native English speaker to copyedit the journal.

Melanie Heath, Treasurer
Presented the RC 25 Budget.
• Total deposits from dues for 2010-2012: $1025.93 USD
• Expenses for 2010-2012: $409.01 USD (asst editor for journal); $148.48 USD for web domain.
• Estimated expenses for the Forum: $750 USD for the reception; $80 USD for award plaque.

• UPDATE: We came in under-budget on both items: $505 USD for the reception and $75 USD for the award plaque.
• Updates to the RC25 bylaws were passed unanimously by the board and by the membership.

Daniela Landert, Webmaster
• Was not present at the meeting but offered a written statement; Celine-Marie was unable to open the document at the time of the meeting but notes from the report are included here.
• The most important changes to the website are that it now hosts the newsletter and the journal, Language Discourse & Society.
• A section of recommended literature was added to the site but it has not been well utilized and there are very few posts.
• The registration of our web domain and the hosting of the site are paid until 29 January 2013. This means that we will have to extend the contract at the end of this year, if we want to continue the website. Daniela suggests extending the contract with our webhost service aruba.it for another two years. The costs for two years were about 75 Euro last time (including both hosting and domain registration).

Taiwo Abioye, Secretary
• Was not present at the meeting and did not offer a report.

Stéphanie Cassilde, Chair Awards Committee (nonvoting position)
We have two awards linked to the RC 25 journal. This time we did not have any papers eligible for the graduate student award; we had five papers for the academic excellence award. The academic excellence award was presented at the evening reception.
REPORT FROM THE ISA

Celine-Marie attended the ISA business meetings and offered this overview

- There was a problem with Congrex, the company hired to organize the Forum. As a result the ISA switched some responsibilities to Confex. This created other kinds of troubles. In 2014 the Congress will be administered entirely by Confex.
- Abstracts will no longer be printed but improvements will be made to the website so that they can be accessed as a collection. Right now it is only possible to access individual abstracts.
- ISA has started Global Dialog—an online newsletter and magazine. President Michael Burawoy is inviting all RCs to participate by sharing a short (500 word) description of their sessions in Buenos Aires.
- Under Burawoy’s leadership, the ISA is also instituting ISA online which will feature debates among scholars in various RCs
- ISA is instituting an open access platform on pedagogy called Democratization and Social Justice. ISA asks members to post syllabi, course materials, photographs, etc., to share with colleagues.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Federico proposed a budget to hire a native English speaker to copyedit the journal. This would require 56 hours at $13 USD/hour over the course of a year. This would cost $728 per year.

Most members felt this was a good idea. Someone suggested publishing in Global-ish rather than English. Most board members agree is a good idea to think about the politics of language in this context but also agreed that we need good quality English if we want the journal to have weight for scholars and the possibility of being published in the future through formal publisher such as Sage.

The treasurer clarified that we can undertake this for a short time because of savings but the expense exceeds our annual income.

There was a unanimous vote to approve funding of an editorial assistant for two years. And strong agreement that we should encourage publications in languages other than English—especially French and Spanish.

Celine-Marie noted that the single weakness in the RC activities to date is in membership. We are not keeping active records or doing outreach.

Lourdes NieriFlores volunteered to start a Facebook page for the RC. We should speak to Daniela about this.

Corrine volunteered to go through the program to find people in other Sessions who work in language and invite them to join RC 25.

Celine-Marie will draft a short essay for the ISA Global Dialog. Send thoughts and ideas to her.

We need to start planning for Yokohoma. The call for session proposals will go out in early December.
Our organizing for this Forum produced very strong sessions with excellent papers that were all focused on language.

The guidelines worked well. We had a problem with not being allowed both chair and present in the same session. It meant that chairs were not always experts in the field. But chairs are not discussants so this may not be so important.

Joint sessions. We need to trade with other RCs who hosts the sessions. In 2010 RC 32 hosted the joint session with us so in 2012 RC 25 hosted the joint session with them. We need to plan for this for 2014.

ISA initiative to interview RC members is good in principle but the details are unclear.

The meeting concluded on time with appreciation from the president to the board and from the board to the president.

Additional note from Taiwo Abioye, Secretary of ISA RC25, as received by the Newsletter Editor. December 2012

- I could not attend due to financial constraints.
- Membership drive is going on, though not as successful as envisaged, probably due to the downturn in the economy in Nigeria in particular. In the last couple of months, I got 4 new members. I am working on getting more members from other parts of Africa.
- The ISA needs to remind members of the need to renew their membership before the due date.
- I commend ISA President, Michael Burawoy and his team on their efforts in this regard.
- Thanks.

Taiwo Abioye
from: Stéphanie Cassilde, Chair of the RC25 Award Committee

The first edition of RC 25’s awards was successfully launched past August in Buenos Aires. Anders Persson’s article “Front- and Backstage in Social Media” (2012) was chosen among a selection of five articles published in the two first issues of Language, Discourse & Society: it received RC 25’s Academic Excellence Award. 1

This result was officially announced at RC 25’s reception on the 2nd August 2012 in Buenos Aires. Professor Persson sent us the following statement to express his gratitude:

"I wish to thank RC 25’s awards committee and executive board for this frontstage recognition and hope that my article will contribute to the research on social media." He also acknowledged the reception of the engraved plaque.

Once more, congratulations Professor Persson!

As a chair, I would express my gratitude to the scholars that accepted the invitation to compose the awards committee for this first edition:

1. Devorah Kalekin-Fishman from the University of Haifa;
2. Viviane Resende from the University of Brasilia;
3. and Sergey Riazantsev from the Institute of Social and Political Research, Moscow.

Thank you very much for your disponibility and the expertise you dedicated to the awards committee. The choice was not straightforward!

1. For this first edition, no article was eligible for the Graduate Student Award.
The second edition of RC 25 awards will take place in Yokohama, in the context of the ISA World Congress of Sociology, with a ceremony at RC 25’s reception. I am looking forward to read your work in Language, Discourse & Society and to see you there.

Eligibility:
All published articles in Language, Discourse & Society are eligible. Regarding the deadline in relation to next Interim conference, all published articles until three months before this conference will be considered for the Awards which will be granted at this occasion. Submissions from scholars who are members of the ISA and RC25 are encouraged, but membership is not necessary to be eligible for these awards.

For the Language & Society Graduate Student Award, the candidate must be registered for a graduate degree but cannot hold a Ph.D. at the time of submission (copy of the student card should be provided together with the application). All authors holding a Ph.D. at the time of submission are considered as eligible for the Language & Society Academic Award. In case of multiple authorship, the highest degree is taken into account. Thus, if one of the authors holds a Ph.D., the article is eligible for the Language & Society Academic Award and not for the Language & Society Graduate Student Award.

Selection Process:
On the basis of an RC 25 Awards short evaluation completed by peer-reviewers during the application process of articles for Language, Discourse & Society, the journal editor will forward a selection of published articles in Language, Discourses & Society to the Award Committee. The Award Committee is formed by three scholars and a chair. It will be able to evaluate articles in English, French and Spanish. The chair of the award committee will be responsible to the Executive Board for the call for the Award Committee Members, and will chair the final award session as a moderator. She/he won’t take part in the final decision regarding which articles will be awarded. The final decision will be made only by the three scholars of the Award Committee. These three scholars can’t be members of the editorial board of Language, Discourse & Society. They also can’t be peer-reviewers for the journal.
Language, Discourse and Society recognizes the value and importance of the peer reviewer in the overall publication process – not only in shaping the individual manuscript, but also in shaping the credibility and reputation of a journal. Language, Discourse and Society is committed to the timely publication of all credible scientifically based manuscripts submitted for publication. As such, the identification and selection of reviewers who have expertise and interest in the topics appropriate to each manuscript are essential elements in ensuring a timely, productive peer review process.

As articles in English, French and Spanish may be submitted, application for potential reviewer who are able to read also in French and/or Spanish are welcome. The peer-review process even more important as it is a component of evaluation process for the new RC25 Awards (cf. the description of the awards in this issue of the newsletter): for each article, reviewers will be ask to fill a short evaluation grid to facilitate nominations for RC 25 Awards. Generally, reviewers are asked to return their comments within one month. In an effort to facilitate the selection of appropriate peer reviewers for Language, Discourse and Society, the editorial board solicits application for potential reviewers, allowing us to create a long list of scholars in the many areas of interest and expertise covered by the journal. If you would be interested in being considered as a reviewer for Language, Discourse & Society, you can email your application, in which you state your area of interest and your language expertise to Federico Farini

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5. Contributions must be original articles, not published, nor considered simultaneously for publication in any other journal or publisher.
6. There is no standard length: 6,000–8,000 words (1000-1500 in the case of book reviews) is a useful working target but where it is justified, longer or shorter pieces can be considered.
7. Title, author or authors name, affiliations, full address (including telephone, fax number and e-mail address) and brief biographical note should be typed on a separate sheet.
8. Include an abstract of 200-300 words summarizing the findings and at most five keywords.
9. Use New Times Roman, 12 point font, 1.5 space, and page numbers.
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11. Tables must be numbered (Table 1, Table 2, etc.). Number figures and photographs consecutively (Figure 1, Figure 2, etc.). Each one must include a descriptive title.
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15. Bibliography section: all references cited in the text must be listed in this section, and vice versa. List the references in alphabetical order by authors’ last names. If the same author has more than one entry list the publications in order of the year of publication. Follow this citation system:
   - In the case of electronic publications, include the electronic address of the references.
16. Use a recent version of Microsoft Word for submitting your article.

Peer Review Process

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evaluation to the corresponding author. If the article has been accepted with modifications, authors should return back a new version of the article with the modifications and/or their reasons for not doing so. The name of the referees and acknowledge to their work will appear in the last issue of each year.

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The social psychology of protest

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abstract Social psychological research has taught us a lot about why people protest. This article provides a theoretical and empirical overview. Discusses are grievances, efficacy, identification, emotions and social embeddedness, followed by the most recent approaches, which combine these concepts into dual pathway models. Finally, two future directions are discussed: (1) to shed light on the paradox of persistent participation and (2) to clarify how perceptions of sociopolitical context affect protest participation.

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Why do people protest? This question has always intrigued social scientists. Why are people prepared to sacrifice wealth, a pleasant and carefree lifestyle, or sometimes even their very lives for a common cause? This question brings us to the level of analysis of the individual and therefore to the realm of social psychology. Obviously, other disciplines like sociology and political science have protest as their study object too (for an overview, see Klandermans and Roggeband, 2007), but in this article we focus on the social psychological approach and point to literature from sociology and political science where applicable. People – social psychologists never tire of asserting – live in a perceived world. They respond to the world as they perceive and interpret it. Indeed, this is what a social psychology of protest is about – trying to understand why people who are seemingly in the same situation respond so differently. As social psychology explores the causes of the thoughts, feelings and actions of people – and primarilally how these are influenced by social context – it has a lot to offer to the study of protest participation. We illustrate this point with an overview of the state-of-the-art theoretical approaches and a review of the empirical evidence.

The question as to why people engage in protest has occupied social psychologists for at least three decades, and it has received diverging answers over the years (see Klandermans et al. [2008] for empirical evidence combining these explanations; Van Stekelenburg and Klandermans [2007] for a theoretical overview; and Van Zomeren et al. [2008] for a meta-analytical overview). In this section we try to assess where we stand and propose future directions that theorizing and research might take.

Before we proceed to the social psychological answer as to why people protest, we devote a few words to protest and protest behaviour itself. Protest is a form of collective action and of social movement participation at the same time. In this article we focus on protest participation rather than on the broader categories of collective action and social movement participation (see Snow et al. [2004] for overviews). There is a vast array of specific protest behaviours that people might exhibit. Wright et al. (1999) have proposed a framework based on three distinctions: the first between inaction and action, the second between actions directed at improving one’s personal conditions (individual action) and actions directed at improving the conditions of one’s group (collective action). The third distinction is between actions that conform to the norms of the existing social system (normative action like petitioning and taking part in a demonstration) and those that violate existing social rules (non-normative action like illegal protests and civil disobedience). This distinction is important because one may expect that the motivational
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The founders are the first Editors of Sociopedia.isa and appoint Associate Editors and an Editorial Board consisting of senior and junior experts in the field. The Editors solicit entries and subject each to a peer review process. All entries in Sociopedia.isa will be subject to a rigorous procedure of double blind peer review.

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To each article an edited discussion section is added, which is open to readers. Commentaries will be refereed by the Editors and Associate Editors. Based on the discussion, they may ask the author to write an update of his/her entry or they may ask another scholar to write a commentary or a separate entry.

2. STRUCTURE OF ENTRIES

Each article should contain several elements. Please structure the article in accordance with the indicated order. If the article doesn't meet the following requirements, the editorial board of Sociopedia.isa cannot take it into account.

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- Length: the article should not exceed 7,000 words in total, excluding the bibliography.
From: ISA
Object: conferences, publication opportunities, job openings

For conferences: http://www.isa-sociology.org/conferences.php
For job openings: http://www.isa-sociology.org/fellowship-grant-prize.php?t=420
For publication opportunities: http://www.isa-sociology.org/publications_opportunities.php

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From: the editor
Object: an important achievement for RC25 Vice-President

We are delighted to announce that our vice-president, Amado Alarcòn Alarcòn, was elected Chair of the ASA Research Council Nominating Committee! This is an honor for him and for RC25

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From: Swiss Sociological Association via Celine-Marie Pascale
Object: conference

Congress of the Swiss Sociological Association. June 26 – 28, 2013, University of Bern: "Inequality and Integration in Times of Crisis"

Since Karl Marx first described the enormous social inequalities and their potential for social change at the beginning of industrialization in the 19th century, the origins, extent, and consequences of social inequality, as well the level of inequality which a society is willing to tolerate, have been major themes in sociology. Our discipline has taken on the theme of inequality in multiple areas ranging from research on unequal educational and labor market opportunities, unequal income distributions, gender and health inequality, and inequality in life expectancy, to mention only a few. There are innumerable national and international conferences devoted to these themes. Do we need yet another one? Is inequality still a problem in our society? The answer to this question is undoubtedly yes. In particular, the economic crisis at the start of the 21st century underlines the fact that the theme of inequality has not lost its relevance. Above all, the European debt crisis inclines us to suspect that social inequality is growing. In comparison with economic boom times, almost all the European countries feel the pressure of stabilizing their economies and cutting back on public expenditures. This will also impact redistributional policies to reduce inequality and bring about new challenges for integration policies addressing the emerging disparities. At the same time as inequalities within European societies are exacerbated, disparities between states are
also rising, which will likely have adverse effects on European unification, not to mention creating new challenges for Switzerland as well.

The European debt crisis came at a point in time when global environmental and demographic problems worsened simultaneously – the aging of industrialized countries and population explosion in developing countries. The inequality effects of climate change and the unequal distribution of population growth will lead to an increase in migration and elevate the immigration pressure on the European Union and Switzerland. For this reason, Switzerland, as well as the other European countries, grapple with questions of managing migration and integration.

Inequalities – as problematic they may be – are also in some sense an opportunity. They increase the diversity of society and can bring about new ideas, innovation, and growth. Our desire and ability for social integration depends, above all, on the ultimate balance between these advantages and disadvantages. Within the framework of the various foci of the research committees, the conference will concentrate on the opportunities as well as the risks associated with these social changes.

If you would like to organize a plenary session, please submit the title of the plenary as well as the designated contributions (including titles, abstracts, and the names of the contributors) to the organizing committee by January 15, 2013 (by e-mail to sgs-kongress2013@soz.unibe.ch). A plenary session usually includes three contributions.

If you would like to organize a workshop (parallel session), please submit the theme proposal and call for papers for the workshop to the organizing committee by November 30, 2012 (by e-mail to sgs-kongress2013@soz.unibe.ch). After the organizing committee accepts the proposal, the call for papers will be published. The organizers of the workshop are responsible for collecting the submissions and selecting the contributions to be included in the workshop. The final program of the workshop (including titles, abstracts, and the names of the contributors) has to be submitted to the organizing committee by March 15, 2013 (by e-mail to sgs-kongress2013@soz.unibe.ch).

From: Marcin Kilarski, Poland  
Object: conference

In April 2013, the annual meeting of the International Arctic Science Committee called the 'Arctic Science Summit Week' will be held in Kraków, Poland. Igor Krupnik, Claudio Aporta and Sandra Juutilainen will co-chair a session under the title “Applying Local and Traditional Knowledge to Better Understanding of the Changing Arctic.”

A short summary of the session is as follows:

The Arctic has been long identified by scientists as key to our understanding of the drivers and impacts of global change. As we chart a new vision of the Changing Arctic, the perspectives and insight of Arctic residents become increasingly important to our assessment of the current and future trends, and at multiple scales. Many polar communities have documented significant shifts in the world as they knew it, in the weather, sea ice, behavior of animals, status of land and water, and the entire environmental context of their home areas. Arctic peoples' reports and understanding of change are based on careful monitoring and generations of accumulated expertise stored in stories, language, safety practices, ethics, and teaching. This session presentations will discuss the present state of partnership and communication between polar communities and scientists studying the impact of global change in the North. Prospective topics are
wide-ranging and may include: incorporation of Indigenous knowledge in scholarly studies and publications; specific examples of approaches and practices used in community-based monitoring, research and data management, in which local knowledge is translated into action; ethical issues in partnership with local communities; long-term relations among Indigenous communities, local organizations, science and management agencies, indigenous and non-Indigenous researchers; interface between natural and social drivers of change; resilience, vulnerability and sustainability of local knowledge-based practices and co-management regimes.

From: Stéphanie Cassilde, Luxembourg
Object: conference stream "Technology-Based Classification Processes in Infrastructures" within the 8th international conference on critical management studies, Manchester, UK

Classifications serve as shared systems to organize and handle knowledge in any given domain. Classifications depend on language to provide labels for classes and on linguistic and narrative practices to establish, apply and reproduce classifications. Successfully established classifications affect thinking and coordination of social activities across different settings and actors. The role of classifications is becoming more evident since organizing processes are increasingly taking place across dispersed individuals, groups, organizations and contexts, a development that is supported by technology, like information and communication technologies (ICT). Indeed, when the common understanding and coordination are not facilitated by co-location, classifications are expected to keep patterns of action aligned.

In infrastructures, multiple sources get systematized and enacted into hierarchical, temporal and spatial classifications, in order to act as sources of power. For instance in the case of online communities, enacted classifications are often collaboratively negotiated and narrated among globally dispersed laypersons, leading to emerging shifts in power between classifications of laypersons and experts. In the case of health care, enacted classifications of patients and healthcare professionals are inscribed in ICT applications and determine how patient information is generated, channelled and disclosed. In the road construction industry, enacted classifications often induce a process towards standardization which is used as input for safety regulations.

The mutual dependency of power and classifications raises the question how changes in the roles of the actors who enact classifications affect and maybe challenge power relations and classifications in a wider sense. Therefore, the “double hermeneutic” between those who are usually termed ‘subjects’ and ‘objects’ has to be revised, mutual dependency between classifications and their objects needs to be highlighted.

Submission of abstracts
We invite papers that explore the relationship between classification and technology in infrastructures. Please send abstracts or any questions to s.j.vachhani@swansea.ac.uk by 30 April 2013.

Abstracts should be a maximum 500 words, A4 paper, single spaced, 12 point font. Deadline 31st January 2013

Notification of paper acceptance: 22nd February 2013
Full papers will be expected by 1st May 2013
From: Amado Alarcón Alarcón
Object: two conferences

Conference: XI Spanish Conference of Sociology [XI Congreso español de Sociología]
Where: Madrid (Spain). Universidad Complutense de Madrid.
Organized by: Spanish Federation of Sociology [Federación Española de Sociología]
Call for papers: October 19th- December 12th. 2012.
Comment: RC24. Sociologies of Communication and Language (Coordinator: Octavio Uña Juárez, octavio.una@urjc.es. Universidad Rey Juan Carlos)
www.fes-web.org/inicio/pages.8/

Conference: VI Catalan/International Conference of Sociology [VI Congrés Català / Internacional de Sociologia]
Organized by: Catalan Association of Sociology [Associació Catalana de Sociologia]
When: April 25-27th 2013
Where: Perpinyà (France).
Call for papers: September 29th to November 16th, 2012.
Comment: RC1. Sociolinguistics (Coordinators: Joan Solé (Direcció General de política lingüística and Joquim Torres (SOCS): (Dir. Pol. Ling. sociolinguistica@ccsociologia.iec.cat)
Web: www.acs-congres.espais.iec.cat/

From: Andreas Pickel, Canada
Object: publishing opportunity

We are seeking contributions to our new working paper series National Culture and National Habitus. see: http://trentu.ca/globalpolitics/publications.php. This page provides some further information.

From: Amado Alarcón Alarcón
Object: publishing opportunity

The International Journal of Sociology of Language (IJSL) is calling for papers for a special issue dedicated to analyzing in detail the dynamics of communicative practice, language ideologies, and intercultural and transnational conflict in Hispaniola.

All papers will be submitted to a peer review process. Those interested in contributing should initially submit a title and an abstract (200 words) with three keywords. The deadline for submitting papers (7,500 words + bibliography) to the issue editor is December 31, 2012 at the following email address: valdezjuan158@gmail.com. For a style sheet consult the following site: http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/ijsl. Please forward this call for papers to any interested colleagues.
From: Mahmoud Dhaouadi, Tunisia
Object: New book

My work in Cultural Sociology since 1990 within an alternative approach to the prevailing one has resulted into the making of my forthcoming book (Cultural Sociology within Innovative Treatise: Islamic Insights on Human Symbols). It is my pleasure to inform you that it is expected to be available at Amazon Books after Nov.12, 2012.

From: Celine-Marie Pascale, USA
Object: New book


In a global landscape the representational practices through which inequalities gain meaning are central—both within and across national boundaries. Social Inequality & The Politics of Representation takes a fresh look at how inequalities of class, race, sexuality, gender and nation are constructed in 20 countries on 5 continents. Social Inequality & The Politics of Representation examines timely issues including: Muslim veiling in Austria; poverty among Otomi in Mexico; Indian immigrants in Uganda; race and class in South Africa; Romany rights in Serbia; the (mis)education of Kurdish women in Turkey; collective memory-making in Argentina; internet censorship in China; women’s sexuality in Nigeria; orphans in Russia; and transgender cultures in Malaysia.

From: Peter Eglin, Canada
Object: New publications


The website says the publication date is February 2013, but the book is actually appearing in November 2012.
From: Thomas P. Horejes, USA
Object: new book

I would like to announce that I have a book that is being published with Gallaudet University Press (this month) entitled: "Social Constructions of Deafness: Examining Deaf Language cultures in Education".

From: Amado Alarcón Alarcón
Object: New publication


Abstract: This article analyzes the market mechanisms and institutional constraints that shape the evaluation and social spread of Spanish in El Paso, Texas, USA (located on the US-Mexico border). The results are presented through an analysis of labor sectors that have different main characteristics in the linguistic intensity of work and product. Based on in-depth interviews, the study finds that linguistic management policies in low-skilled sectors are effectively «Spanish-only». However, as skills increase and there is a greater need for formal Spanish in the occupational role, we observe more constraints on how Spanish functions in work use. In sectors where demand for Spanish language skills has grown, such as call centers, linguistic management is based on acculturated heritage Spanish as a means to obtain cheap labor.

From: Stéphanie Cassilde, Luxembourg
Object: new publications


An e-book version will be available for free on the editor website (http://www.neotheque.com/1joo/index.php) in January 2013

From: Melanie Heath, Canada
Object: new book
Melanie Heath’s new book came out in April 2012:


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**From:** Máiréad Nic Craith, Ireland  
**Object:** new publication


Whether myth, novel or fairy-story, part of the human condition is to tell stories about ourselves and our society. This book focuses on stories of contemporary, European-born authors who have lived 'in-between' two or more languages and experienced different cultural and linguistic environments. Drawing on a strong theoretical framework, the book explores the human desire to find one’s 'own place' in new cultural contexts and the role of language in shaping a sense of belonging in society. The research draws substantially on original life narrative interviews with writers who write at the 'cutting edge' of languages. These oral narratives are supplemented with published memoirs in English, French, German and Irish. Throughout the author reflects on her own fieldwork as a temporary migrant in Germany.

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**From:** Nadya Georgieva-Stankova, Bulgaria  
**Object:** new publications


  Available at:  

- Georgieva-Stankov, N. 2012 „Динамика на идентичността: Българо-католическото училище в Одрин и неговата роля за формиране и поддържане на българска идентичност сред населението в Източна Тракия” (“Identity Dynamics: the Bulgarian – Catholic School in Edirne and its role for the formation and maintenance of Bulgarian identity among the Bulgarian population”). *Research project on the cultural-historical
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Surviving on the Margins
Michael Burawoy presents the issue

The Second ISA Forum was a great success. 3,600 registered participants in 55 Research Committees (RCs), Thematic Groups (TGs), and Working Groups (WGs) gathered together at the Economics Faculty of the University of Buenos Aires, August 1-4. For the success we have to thank the dedication of Margaret Abraham, ISA Vice-President for Research and President of the Forum; Izabela Barlinska and her staff at the ISA Secretariat; and Alberto Bialakowsky and Alicia Palermo, President and co-President of the Local Organizing Committee. No less important were the organizational skills and devotion of the leaders of the RCs, TGs and WGs who had to cope with overflowing demand for participation on panels. We left Buenos Aires enthused by transcontinental
discussions, impressed by Latin American sociology, ready to march forward to the Yokohama Congress in 2014.

The last time we were in Latin America was 1982 when our Congress was held in Mexico City. As Izabela Barlinska recounts in the interview published in this issue of Global Dialogue, this was a tempestuous meeting with local participants rightly incensed by English linguistic imperialism. Only some years after that 1982 Congress did Spanish join French and English as an official language of the ISA. 30 years later we were more successful in managing the language problem, with simultaneous translation of the plenaries, with a Spanish stream of sessions, with multilingual panels, and with everyone helping out in different ways to communicate across languages.

Over the last 30 years our meetings have become more inclusive along many dimensions, not least language. At the same time, English has become even more dominant as a lingua franca, increasingly adopted as the preferred second language across the planet. Undoubtedly, this has its benefits, enlarging the scope of sociology, giving many access to a wealth of new opportunities and materials. Yet, the expansion of English has generated its own inequalities: a deeper exclusion of those not familiar with English, and the creation of hierarchies among those who are. Fluency in English, far more than in any other language, brings enormous advantages whether in oral presentations or in publishing articles, and thereby becomes a marker of distinction not just globally but, no less important, within national scientific communities (where English is a second language).

As universities enter worldwide competition for symbolic status (bringing with it material rewards), so publication in international journals is at a premium. That means not just publishing in English but conducting research within frameworks and paradigms that are often alien to the problems and issues of the author’s own society. Palestinian sociologist Sari Hanafi puts it this way: “Publish globally and perish locally OR publish locally and perish globally.” Meeting this challenge means being bilingual, bi-professional, doing double work, speaking to multiple audiences. That goes for the parochial sociologies of the US and UK no less than for others. In these regards the Buenos Aires Forum has set new standards for a global sociology.

Michael Burawoy, ISA President.

From: Celine-Marie Pascale, USA
Object: New book

Cartographies of Knowledge: Exploring Qualitative Epistemologies
http://www.sagepub.com/books/Book231530/features#tabview=title

From: Taiwo, Abioye, Nigeria
Object: New book

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Roland Terborg

From: Stéphanie Cassilde, Luxembourg  
Object: web resource

The European Observatory for Plurilingualism

http://plurilinguisme.europe-avenir.com/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1

is an official association created in 2005 in order to take into account linguistic issues in social, economic, cultural and political contexts. Its aim is to maintain the diversity of languages. The website helps to share articles, conferences, calls, news and resources related to languages. It is available in 8 languages: French, German, Spanish, English, Italian, Hungarian, Romanian and Portuguese. Institutions and individuals can become member of the European Observatory for Plurilingualism. Without being a member, it is possible to receive the newsletter and to participate to the animation of the website (transmission of information, being a local correspondent, participation to translation workshops, etc.).
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