The International Sociological Association (ISA) Research Committee 25, ‘Language and Society’, is calling for sessions proposal, both for RC25 and joint sessions to be included in the IV ISA Forum of Sociology in Porto Alegre, Brazil, July 14-18, 2020. The RC25 motto in this conference will be “Looking at Language to Shed Light on Challenges.” The RC25 program will gather 16 sessions.

Each session will accommodate about 4 paper presentations, with the possibility to include distributed paper, and a collective discussion.

RC25 conceives study of language broadly and welcomes all varieties of sociological analyses of language/representations. We therefore encourage proposals taking up from a sociological perspective issues concerning language, talk, signification, categorizations, communication and language diversity.

We invite you to submit a session proposal (approximately 300 words) in English, Spanish and/or French by March 15, 2019 through ISA online system, which is available on the following page:

No extension of deadlines is possible.

All session proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:
- relevance to the RC25 mission (http://www.language-and-society.org/)
- relevance to general ISA membership
- potential for regional diversity in the session

Session organizers should be aware that both ISA and RC25 memberships are mandatory for session organizers and presenters, because the number of sessions is related to the size of the membership. In the case of joint session, co-organizers and presenters may choose to be member of both ISA and of our RC partner.
Session organizers should be aware of some deadlines:
- the final list of RC25 sessions will be published on April 8, 2019
- online abstract submissions will open on April 25 until September 30, 2019
- the proposals will be reviewed and selected between October 7 and November 4, 2019
- accepted abstract which could not find a place in the initial session chosen by presenter(s) will be relocated to other sessions between November 5 and November 25, 2019
- notification letters will be sent to authors on December 2, 2019

For a more detailed description of session organizers role, you can visit:

Please send all proposals through the informatics system. For any questions, do not hesitate to contact program organizers:

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