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Letter from the President, No. 1, October 1998 by Alberto Martinelli

The Aims of our Common Work

While we are entering the third millennium there is a greater need than ever for sociological imagination, scientific excellence, intellectual probity, and moral commitment to a better world, a world more peaceful and more respectful of the dignity of all women and men. The ISA can contribute significantly to meet this need.

The objectives set 50 years ago by UNESCO's Social Science Council in promoting the ISA and parallel worldwide associations - such as knitting together social science scholars of the world in order to increase international understanding, bettering social science knowledge for benefitting mankind, promoting research in fields crucial to the establishment of a peaceful world order - are still well alive and important, and must be taken very seriously in our daily work. But they must be put into the context of the contemporary global world, which is characterized by the growing tension between the increasingly global integration and interdependence in technology, finance, information, and the continuing fragmentation of societies, cultures, and political systems.

International non-governmental organizations, in general, and international scientific and professional associations in particular, should become - and will more and more become - major actors of the world stage. Key decisions of global impact should not be left only to the governments of the most powerful nation-states and to international governmental organizations, to multinational corporations and global financial networks, to political-ideological alliances and religious fundamentalism, since all those actors inspire their conduct to power and gain, or tend to impose a given *Weltanschauung*.

International scientific associations can play a beneficial, countervailing role insofar as they are able to build truly global communities of scholars and inspire their conduct to universalistic principles, on the basis of which everyone is evaluated in terms of her/his scientific achievements, capacity to teach, and professional ethics, and not in terms of gender, ethnicity, age, or nationality.

In order to play this beneficial role in a global world the ISA must become a truly international and global organization itself. Our association has gone a long way since its foundation almost 50 years ago. The ISA has grown from a small scientific society with a few dozen members mostly from the US and Western Europe to a large international organization with 3300 individual and 150 collective members from 89 countries and more than 4000 active participants to our world congresses. The ISA has progressed toward internationalization more than most other international scientific associations, as the composition of most research committees as well as many of its activities show, from the regional conferences to the Worldwide Young Sociologists' Competition, to the official adoption of multi-linguism in our Statutes.

But more must be done, and can be done. As I stated in setting my priorities as a nominee for president, the ISA should become a truly global association while enhancing the different cultural heritages. And, as the Report of the Bureau of International Sociology writes, "the acknowledgment of the role of language in

the development of individual and collective identities must be rendered compatible with sociology's search for universality".

Let me give a few examples of the kind of initiatives I have in mind to pursue this goal. First, ISA will sponsor and actively support selected comparative projects, developed by international teams, where sociologists from economically weaker countries can be significantly helped and where non ethnocentric models can be worked out. We will encourage scientific cooperation not only between the 'north' and the 'south' of the world, but also between different regions of the 'south' itself without the mediation of the core countries. Second, we will organize a traveling International Summer School for the best young sociologists; the participants can be selected with the same procedure of the International Young Sociologists' Competition, the teachers should be major figures in our discipline, the host institutions can rotate and 'travel' to different parts of the world. We can hope that relations of friendships and habits of working together will last in the hearts and minds of participants and will build strong ties and

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commitments to future cooperation. Third, through our Research and Publications Committees, we will encourage Research Committees to publish a series of textbooks in Sociology with a truly global, non parochial perspective which can contribute to internationalise the curriculum. I am myself engaged in the drafting of the proposal for a multilingual dictionary of key sociological concepts - the first of its kind - with the aim of enhancing our consciousness of the intellectual history of concepts and of the major differences in the production and use of the basic categories of sociological analysis in different languages. Fourth, in cooperation with the national and regional associations, we will organize a series of regional conferences, continuing with work done by Immanuel Wallerstein.

Through these initiatives the ISA will be able to help us to better our work as sociologists both in research and teaching. An international association is an ideal setting for confronting and exchanging experiences, disseminating information, diffusing innovations and monitoring their effects. As ISA members, we do not fully exploit the great opportunities for cooperation in research and teaching which stem from the international networks we have built. We will closely cooperate with national and regional associations of sociologists in this respect. We will consider the possibility of organizing prizes for the sociological book of the year, the best educational program, the recognition of excellent life-long careers in sociological work, and the like.

A third major concern of my presidency will be the enhancement of the prestige of sociology as a discipline. As we know, individual sociologists can become presidents of great republics such as

Brazil and Venezuela, influential intellectuals and opinion makers, leaders of collective movements, government experts, etc. But, as a whole, the influence of sociological knowledge is not fully recognized in international and national institutions, in productive organizations, as well as in many professional fields. I am not arguing here that sociology should be only applied sociology, or become a kind of 'sociological engineering'; I am saying that were the sociological perspective more taken into account by international organizations, government agencies, and corporations, major mistakes stemming from an over-technocratic or over-economic view of man and society could be avoided; and that were sociological theory and method more widely and usefully employed than they are now in the professional education of doctors, managers, judges, lawyers, civil servants, social workers, nurses, architects, engineers, media professionals, etc. the quality of these professional services will be better. Concrete actions in these areas include producing high-quality sociological research books, making the sociologists' voice heard in the public discourse, designing higher education curricula with professional associations, disseminating information about employment opportunities in international organizations.

In particular, I will commit myself to supporting those sociological communities which are under attack by authoritarian governments. I am in fact convinced that a basic priority of an international scientific organization is the staunch defence of the basic rights and freedom of scientific inquiry, intellectual debate, and freedom of teaching.

As President, I also intend to strengthen and better our organization along the lines of my speech on the elections evening: accountable leadership, team work, transparent and democratic decision making. I believe that the ISA's president is a *primus inter pares* and that decisions should be taken collectively. In my view, democratic leadership is the art of promoting and coordinating cooperation in order to achieve common goals in the interest of our constituency and of our institution. This does not imply of course that I am not prepared to take full responsibility for ISA's activities and the accurate implementation of our decisions.

I will do whatever I can to make the whole ISA a place of genuine and active debate about the fundamental issue that face us as scholars and concerned members of the world community. The three pillars of our institutional fabric are the national associations, the research committees, and the individual members. Together with the Executive Committee - which already works as a real team and a group of friends - I am committed to work in closer cooperation with all of them.

I am proud of representing the world sociological community. Let us work together for sociological excellence in research and teaching and for the scientific and social legitimization of our discipline in a genuinely global association.

Lettre du Président, No. 1, Octobre 1998 de Alberto Martinelli

Les objectifs de notre travail commun

Alors que nous entrons dans le troisième millénaire, il existe un besoin toujours plus fort d'imagination sociologique, d'excellence scientifique, de probité intellectuelle et d'engagement moral pour un monde meilleur, un monde plus pacifique et plus respectueux de la dignité de tous les femmes et hommes. L'AIS peut contribuer de manière à satisfaire ce besoin.

Les objectifs établis il y a 50 ans par le Conseil des Sciences Sociales de l'UNESCO lors de la promotion de l'AIS et d'associations mondiales analogues - tels que ceux d'unir les spécialistes en sciences sociales du monde entier en vue de développer la compréhension internationale, d'améliorer la connaissance en sciences sociales pour le bien de l'humanité, de promouvoir la recherche dans les domaines décisifs à l'établissement d'un ordre mondial pacifique - sont toujours à l'ordre du jour et importants, et doivent être pris très au sérieux dans notre travail quotidien. Mais ils doivent être replacés dans le contexte du monde global contemporain, caractérisé par la tension croissante entre d'une part l'intégration toujours plus globale et l'interdépendance de la technologie, des finances et de l'information, et d'autre part la fragmentation continue des sociétés, des cultures et des systèmes politiques.

Les organisations non gouvernementales internationales, en général, et les associations professionnelles et scientifiques internationales, en particulier, doivent devenir - et elles le deviendront de plus en plus - les acteurs principaux de la scène mondiale. Les décisions fondamentales ayant un impact global ne doivent pas être laissées uniquement aux gouvernements des États-Nations les plus puissants et aux organisations gouvernementales internationales, aux compagnies

multinationales et aux réseaux financiers globaux, aux alliances politique-idéologiques et au fondamentalisme religieux. Car tous ces acteurs sont inspirés dans leur comportement par le pouvoir et le profit ou tendent à imposer une *Weltanschauung* donnée.

Les associations scientifiques internationales peuvent jouer un rôle salubre et compensateur à condition d'être capables de construire des communautés de scientifiques véritablement globales et d'être inspirées dans leur comportement par des principes universalistes, selon lesquels chacun est évalué en fonction de ses réalisations scientifiques, capacité à enseigner, éthique professionnelle, et non en fonction des genre, ethnies, âge ou nationalité.

Afin de jouer ce rôle salubre dans un monde global, l'AIS doit elle-même devenir une organisation véritablement internationale et globale. Notre association a parcouru un long chemin depuis sa fondation il y a presque 50 ans. L'AIS, partie d'une petite société scientifique d'une douzaine de membres originaires principalement des États-Unis et d'Europe de l'Ouest, est devenue une grande organisation internationale comprenant 3300 membres individuels et 150 membres collectifs originaires de 89 pays, et réunissant plus de 4000 participants actifs lors de nos congrès mondiaux. L'AIS s'est internationalisée davantage que la plupart des autres associations scientifiques internationales; en témoignent la composition de la plupart de ses Comités de Recherche, nombre de ses activités, des conférences régionales au Concours Mondial de Jeunes Sociologues et l'adoption officielle du multilinguisme dans nos Statuts.

Mais davantage doit être fait et peut être fait. Ainsi que je l'ai déclaré en tant que candidat à la présidence lors de la présentation de mes priorités, l'AIS doit devenir une association véritablement globale tout en valorisant les différents héritages culturels. Et, ainsi qu'il est écrit dans le Rapport du Bureau de Sociologie International, "la reconnaissance du rôle de la langue dans le développement des identités individuelles et collectives doit être compatible avec la recherche de l'universalité par la sociologie".

Laissez-moi donner quelques exemples du type d'initiative que j'ai à l'esprit pour poursuivre cet objectif. Premièrement, l'AIS sponsorisera et soutiendra activement des projets comparatifs sélectionnés, développés par des équipes internationales, où des sociologues de pays économiquement plus fiables pourront être aidés de manière significative et des modèles non ethnocentriques élaborés. Nous encouragerons la coopération scientifique non seulement entre le "nord" et le "sud" de la planète mais aussi entre les différentes régions du "sud" lui-même sans la médiation des pays centraux. Deuxièmement, nous organiserons une Université d'Été Internationale itinérante pour les meilleurs jeunes sociologues; les participants pourront être sélectionnés selon la même procédure que celle du Concours Mondial de Jeunes Sociologues, les enseignants devront être des personnalités majeures de notre discipline, les institutions hôtes pourront se succéder et voyager dans différentes parties du monde. Nous espérons que des relations d'amitié et des habitudes de travail en groupe lieront les cœurs et les esprits des participants et déboucheront sur des engagements solides dans de futures coopérations. Troisièmement, au sein de nos Comités de Recherche et de Publications, nous encouragerons les Comités de Recherche à publier une série de recueils de textes de sociologie dotés d'une perspective véritablement globale, non paroissiale, qui pourra contribuer à internationaliser le programme d'études. Je suis moi-même occupé à la rédaction d'une proposition de dictionnaire multilingue de concepts sociologiques fondamentaux - le premier du genre - dans le but d'augmenter notre conscience de l'histoire intellectuelle des concepts et des grandes différences de production et d'emploi des catégories fondamentales de l'analyse sociologique dans différentes langues. Quatrièmement, en coopération avec les associations nationales et régionales, nous organiserons une série de conférences régionales, dans la poursuite de l'oeuvre d'Immanuel Wallerstein.

Grâce à ces initiatives l'AIS pourra nous aider à améliorer notre travail de sociologues à la fois dans la recherche et l'enseignement. Une association internationale est un cadre idéal pour la confrontation et l'échange d'expériences, la propagation de l'information, la diffusion des innovations et le suivi de leurs effets. En tant que membres de l'AIS nous ne profitons pas complètement des grandes occasions de coopération dans la recherche et l'enseignement qui naissent des réseaux internationaux que nous avons construits. Nous coopérerons étroitement avec les associations nationales et régionales de sociologues à ce sujet. Nous étudierons la possibilité d'organiser des prix pour le livre sociologique de l'année, le meilleur programme d'enseignement, les longues et brillantes carrières en sociologie, et autres mérites de ce genre.

Une troisième préoccupation principale de ma présidence sera le rehaussement du prestige de la sociologie en tant que discipline. Ainsi que nous le savons, des sociologues individuels peuvent devenir présidents de grandes républiques telles que le Brésil et le Venezuela, des intellectuels influents et des faiseurs d'opinion, des leaders de mouvements collectifs, des experts gouvernementaux etc. mais, dans l'ensemble, l'importance de la connaissance sociologique n'est pas complètement reconnue dans les institutions internationales et nationales, dans les organisations productives ainsi que dans de nombreux domaines professionnels. Je ne soutiens pas, là, que la sociologie doive

seulement être de la sociologie appliquée, ou devenir une sorte d'ingénierie sociologique, je dis que si la perspective sociologique était davantage prise en compte par les organisations internationales, les organismes gouvernementaux et les sociétés commerciales, on pourrait peut-être éviter de grosses erreurs dues à une approche de l'homme et de la société trop technocratique et trop économique; et si la théorie et la méthode sociologiques étaient plus largement et utilement employées qu'elles ne le sont actuellement dans la formation professionnelle des médecins, des cadres, des juges, des juristes, des fonctionnaires, des infirmières, des architectes, des ingénieurs, des professionnels des médias, etc., la qualité de ces services professionnels serait meilleure. Des actions concrètes dans ce domaine englobent la réalisation de livres de recherche sociologique d'excellente qualité, faire entendre la voix des sociologues dans le discours public, élaboration de programmes d'études d'enseignement supérieur avec les associations professionnelles, la diffusion de l'information concernant les possibilités d'emploi dans les organisations internationales.

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En particulier, je m'engagerai personnellement à soutenir ces communautés sociologiques en butte aux gouvernements autoritaires. Je suis en fait convaincu qu'une des priorités essentielles d'une organisation scientifique internationale est de défendre fermement les droits fondamentaux et la liberté de l'investigation scientifique, du débat intellectuel et de la liberté d'enseignement.

En tant que Président, je me propose également de consolider et d'améliorer notre organisation dans la ligne de mon discours du soir des élections: une direction responsable, un travail d'équipe, une prise de décision transparente et démocratique. Je pense que le président de l'AIS est un *primus inter pares* et que les décisions doivent être prises collectivement. D'après moi, une direction démocratique est l'art de promouvoir et de coordonner la coopération afin de réaliser des objectifs communs dans l'intérêt de nos électeurs et de notre institution. Cela ne signifie pas, bien évidemment, que je ne suis pas disposé à assumer la responsabilité des activités de l'AIS et de l'exécution exacte de nos décisions.

Je ferai tout mon possible pour faire de l'AIS dans son ensemble un lieu de débat authentique et actif sur les questions fondamentales qui se posent à nous en tant que scientifiques et membres intéressés de la communauté mondiale. Les trois piliers de notre construction institutionnelle sont les associations nationales, les comités de recherche et les membres individuels. Avec le Comité Exécutif - qui fonctionne déjà comme une véritable équipe et un groupe d'amis - nous nous sommes engagés à travailler en étroite coopération avec chacun d'eux. Je suis fier de représenter la communauté sociologique mondiale. Travaillons ensemble pour l'excellence sociologique dans la recherche et l'enseignement et pour la légitimation scientifique et sociale de notre discipline dans une association authentiquement globale.

Carta del Presidente, No. 1, octubre 1998 por Alberto Martinelli

Los objetivos de nuestro trabajo común

Al entrar en el tercer milenio hay una necesidad, más grande que nunca, de imaginación sociológica, excelencia científica, honestidad intelectual, y compromiso moral para un mundo mejor, un mundo más pacífico y con más respeto para la dignidad de todas las mujeres y hombres. La AIS puede contribuir significativamente a satisfacer esta necesidad.

Los objetivos definidos hace 50 años por el Consejo de Ciencias Sociales de la UNESCO en la fundación de la AIS y otras asociaciones mundiales paralelas - tal como unir los científicos sociales del mundo para incrementar el entendimiento internacional, mejorar el conocimiento en las ciencias sociales para el beneficio de la humanidad, promocionar la investigación en campos cruciales para el mantenimiento de un orden mundial pacífico - siguen estando vivos y debemos tenerlos en cuenta en nuestro trabajo diario. Pero deben ser vistos en el contexto del mundo global contemporáneo, que se caracteriza por la tensión creciente entre la integración global que aumenta y la interdependencia entre tecnología, finanzas, información, y la continua fragmentación de sociedades, culturas y sistemas políticos.

Las organizaciones internacionales no-gubernamentales, en general, y las asociaciones internacionales científicas y profesionales, en particular, deben llegar a ser - y llegarán a ser cada vez más - los actores principales de la escena mundial. Las decisiones clave sobre el impacto global no deberían dejarse solo a los gobiernos de las más poderosas naciones-estados ni a las organizaciones internacionales gubernamentales, ni a las corporaciones multinacionales, ni a las redes financieras globales, ni a las alianzas político-ideológicas, ni al fundamentalismo religioso, porque todos estos actores inspiran su conducta en el poder y ganancia, o tienden a imponer un *Weltanschauung* establecido.

Las asociaciones científicas internacionales pueden jugar un papel beneficioso y de contrapeso en la medida en que sean capaces de construir verdaderas comunidades globales de científicos e inspirar su conducta en los principios universalistas, según los cuales cada uno es evaluado en función de sus logros científicos, capacidad de enseñar, y ética profesional, y no en función del género, etnia, edad o nacionalidad.

Para jugar este papel beneficioso en un mundo global la AIS tiene que llegar a ser una verdadera organización internacional y global. Nuestra asociación ha hecho un largo camino desde su fundación hace 50 años. La AIS empezó como una pequeña sociedad científica con una docena de miembros, en su mayoría de los Estados Unidos y Europa occidental, y ha llegado a ser una gran organización internacional con 3300 miembros individuales y 150 colectivos de 89 países y más de 4000 participantes activos en nuestros congresos mundiales. La AIS ha progresado hacia la internacionalización más que la mayoría de las otras organizaciones científicas internacionales, como lo muestra la composición de la mayoría de los comités de investigación así como sus numerosas actividades, desde las conferencias regionales hasta el Concurso Mundial de Jóvenes Sociólogos, o incluso la adopción oficial del multilingüismo en

nuestros estatutos.

Pero se debe hacer más, y se puede hacer más. Como ya dije en la presentación de mis objetivos en la candidatura a la presidencia, la AIS debe llegar a ser una verdadera asociación global al mismo tiempo que intensifica las diferentes herencias culturales. Y, como dice el Informe del Bureau de Sociología Internacional, "el reconocimiento del papel del idioma en el desarrollo de la identidad individual y colectiva debe ser compatible con la búsqueda por parte de la sociología de la universalidad".

Permítame dar unos pocos ejemplos de la clase de iniciativa que tengo en mente para conseguir este objetivo. Primero, la AIS patrocinará y apoyará activamente proyectos comparativos escogidos, presentados por equipos internacionales, donde los sociólogos de los países económicamente más débiles puedan obtener ayuda y donde se puedan desarrollar modelos no etnocéntricos. La AIS animará la cooperación científica no sólo entre el "norte" y el "sur" del mundo sino también entre diferentes regiones del "sur" mismo sin la

"Estoy de hecho convencido de que la prioridad básica de una organización científica internacional es la defensa incondicional de los derechos básicos y la libertad de la investigación científica, del debate intelectual y de la libertad de enseñanza."

mediación de los países centrales. Segundo, la AIS organizará una Escuela Internacional de Verano, de carácter ambulante para los mejores jóvenes sociólogos; los participantes serán seleccionados con el mismo procedimiento que en el Concurso Mundial de Jóvenes Sociólogos, los profesores serán los mejores en nuestra disciplina, y las instituciones anfitrionas puedan rotar y 'viajar' a diferentes partes del mundo. Esperamos que las relaciones de amistad y hábitos de trabajo juntos seguirán en los corazones y mentes de los participantes y que construirán fuertes lazos y compromisos hacia una futura cooperación. Tercero, a través de nuestros Comités de Investigación y Publicaciones, la AIS animará a los Comités de Investigación a publicar una serie de libros de texto en Sociología con una perspectiva verdaderamente global y no parroquial y que puedan contribuir a la internacionalización de los currícula. Personalmente estoy envuelto en la preparación del proyecto de un diccionario multilingüe de conceptos claves en sociología - el primero en su clase - con el propósito de aumentar nuestra consciencia sobre la historia intelectual de los conceptos y de las principales diferencias en la producción y utilización de las categorías básicas del análisis sociológico en los diferentes idiomas. Cuarto, en cooperación con asociaciones regionales y nacionales, la AIS organizará una serie de conferencias regionales, continuando el trabajo hecho por Immanuel Wallerstein.

A través de estas iniciativas la AIS será capaz de ayudarnos a mejorar nuestro trabajo como sociólogos tanto en la investigación

como en la enseñanza. Una asociación internacional es un lugar ideal para confrontar e intercambiar experiencias, diseminar información, difundir innovaciones y observar sus efectos. Como miembros de la AIS, no aprovechamos suficientemente las grandes oportunidades para la cooperación en la investigación y la enseñanza que nacen de las redes internacionales que hemos construido. La AIS cooperará estrechamente en esta dirección con asociaciones nacionales y regionales de sociólogos. Se considerará la posibilidad de establecer premios para el libro sociológico del año, para el mejor programa educativo, para el reconocimiento de una destacada carrera profesional en el trabajo sociológico, etc.

Una tercera gran preocupación de mi presidencia será la mejora del prestigio de la sociología como una disciplina. Como todos sabemos, algunos sociólogos pueden llegar a ser presidentes de grandes repúblicas como Brasil y Venezuela, intelectuales influyentes y formadores de opinión, líderes de movimientos colectivos, expertos gubernamentales, etc. Pero, como un todo, la influencia del conocimiento sociológico no está plenamente reconocida en instituciones internacionales y nacionales, en organizaciones productivas, y tampoco en muchos campos profesionales. No estoy argumentando aquí que la sociología debe ser solo sociología aplicada, o deba ser una clase de "ingeniería sociológica"; estoy diciendo que si la perspectiva sociológica fuese más tenida en cuenta por las organizaciones internacionales, agencias gubernamentales y corporaciones, se podrían evitar la mayoría de los errores producidos por una visión del hombre y la sociedad excesivamente tecnocrática y economicista; si la teoría y el método sociológicos fuesen utilizados más ampliamente y provechosamente que hasta ahora en la educación profesional de médicos, ejecutivos, jueces, abogados, funcionarios, trabajadores sociales, enfermeras, arquitectos, ingenieros, profesionales de los medios de comunicación, etc. la calidad de estos servicios profesionales sería mejor. Las medidas concretas en estos campos incluyen la publicación de libros de investigación sociológica de alta calidad, hacer oír la voz de los sociólogos en el debate público, el diseño con asociaciones profesionales de los programas de estudios universitarios, la

diseminación de información sobre oportunidades de empleo en organizaciones internacionales.

En particular, me comprometo a apoyar a aquellas comunidades sociológicas que están amenazadas por gobiernos autoritarios. Estoy de hecho convencido de que la prioridad básica de una organización científica internacional es la defensa incondicional de los derechos básicos y la libertad de la investigación científica, del debate intelectual y de la libertad de enseñanza.

Como Presidente, intentaré también fortalecer y mejorar nuestra organización siguiendo las líneas de mi discurso en la noche electoral: dirección transparente, trabajo en equipo, toma de decisiones clara y democrática. Creo que el presidente de la AIS es un *primus inter pares* y que las decisiones deben ser tomadas colectivamente. En mi opinión, la autoridad democrática es el arte de promocionar y coordinar la cooperación para lograr objetivos comunes en el interés de nuestros miembros y nuestra institución. Esto no implica, por supuesto, que yo no esté preparado para asumir plena responsabilidad en las actividades de la AIS y la puesta en práctica de nuestras decisiones.

Haré todo lo posible para hacer de toda la AIS un lugar de sincero y activo debate sobre los problemas fundamentales que afrontamos como académicos y como miembros conscientes de la comunidad mundial. Los tres pilares de nuestro tejido institucional son las asociaciones nacionales, los comités de investigación y los miembros individuales. Me comprometo junto con el Comité Ejecutivo - que ya trabaja como un verdadero equipo y un grupo de amigos - a trabajar con todos ellos en la más estrecha cooperación.

Me siento orgulloso de representar a la comunidad sociológica mundial. Vamos a trabajar juntos para la excelencia sociológica en la investigación y la enseñanza y para la legitimación científica y social de nuestra disciplina en una verdadera asociación global.

ISA Executive Committee Fall 1998 - Summer 2002

We are presenting below short biographical notes about ISA Executive Committee members elected at the XIV World Congress of Sociology in Montreal for the period Fall 1998 - Summer 2002. Eight members were elected by the Research Council (Christiansen-Ruffman RC32, Fritz RC46, Ferrari RC12, Gonzalez RC14, Klandermans RC48, Platt RC08, Pronovost RC13, Weingart RC23), eight by the Council of National Association (Bawin-Legros, Briceño-Leon, Erinosh, Offe, Patel, Sitas, Therborn, Yazawa) while the President (Martinelli) and four Vice-Presidents (Díez-Nicolás, Inglis, Sales, Sztompka) were elected by the Assembly of Council.

President Alberto Martinelli, Italy

Current Position

Dean of the Faculty of Political Sciences and Professor of Sociology and Political Sciences at the University of Milano, Italy.

Selected publications

Among his most recent books in English are: "Economy and Society. Overviews on Economic Sociology", with N.J. Smelser, Sage 1990. "International Markets and Global Forms", Sage 1991. Recent Social Trends in Italy, McGill University Press 1998.

Organizational experience

ISA Vice-President for Programme (1994-98) and Past-President of the Research Committee on Economy and Society. He is member of the Italian National Council of Science and

Technology. He is President of the Commission for International relations of the University of Milan.

Priorities

The ISA is almost 50 years old. It has performed a very relevant task in fostering the advancement of Sociology and the scientific cooperation of sociologists of many different countries. Yet, much more should be done and can be done according to these priorities.

First, the ISA should become a truly global association while enhancing the different cultural heritages. This can be achieved in a variety of ways: fostering dialogue and cooperation among sociologists of different countries; sponsoring international comparative research projects, organizing international conferences on such topics as compatible development, international migrations, global cultural trends and local cultures, and the like; using its scientific publications as active means for disseminating sociological knowledge within and outside the

discipline; recruiting more members from Africa, Asia and Latin America; helping sociologists with less economic resources with funds for access to ISA activities.

Second, the ISA should contribute to better our work as sociologists both in research and teaching. In order to achieve this goal, it should monitor innovation in sociological research and teaching and favour the exchange of experiences among its members; it should inform its members of research financing opportunities and help to get them; it should promote the production of textbooks both general and in special fields - in a global, non parochial perspective; it should help developing international research projects, with special attention to younger sociologists and sociologists from countries where the discipline is less institutionalized.

Third, the ISA should enhance the influence and the prestige of sociology as a discipline. This means: making sociological advance and counselling better employed in international organization, such as UN, WHO, ILO, OECD, World Bank and the IMF, etc.; helping sociologists to work with those organizations by listing research and employment opportunities; consolidating and enhancing the role of sociological research and teaching in major professional fields - public policy, medicine, law, management, mass media, etc.; producing books of sociological applied theory for public administrators, doctors, judges and lawyers, managers, mass media professionals.

Fourth, and in order to achieve the previous goals, the ISA as an organization should be strengthened and bettered. This requires that the President acts as a coordinators and a promoter, capable of stimulating the intellectual energies of the Association's institutional and individual members; the Executive Committee works as a real team and a group of friends for the common goal; the scientific autonomy of Research Committees is strengthened, while providing them with more continuous organizational support; the cooperation of ISA with the regional and national associations and their cooperation among themselves are enhanced. In this respect, I think we should repeat and generalize previous experiences, asking the Research Committees and the national and regional associations to produce 'state of the art' reports - focussing on major theoretical results, methodological questions, institutional arrangements. These reports could eventually lead to a general report to be presented by the Executive Committee at the World Congress.

Vice-President for Programme Piotr Sztompka, Poland

Current position

Professor of Theoretical Sociology at the Jagiellonian University at Krakow (Poland). He has been a Visiting Professor at numerous universities in the US, Europe and Latin America. Member of Academia Europaea (London), and American Academy of Arts and Sciences (Cambridge, MA). Recipient of New Europe Prize 1995.

Selected publications

Among his twelve books, published internationally, there are: "Society in Action - The Theory of Social Becoming", Polity Press 1991, "The Sociology of Social Change", Blackwell 1993, "Agency and Structure, Gordon Breach 1994", "Robert K. Merton on Social Structure and Science" (ed), Chicago University Press 1996.

Organizational experience

Member of ISA from 1972, and speaker as well as session organizer at all World Congresses since that time. Co-founder (with J.Alexander) of the Research Committee on Sociological Theory (RC 16), and from 1994 member of the Executive Committee and Programme Committee of ISA. Organizer of two ISA international conferences.

Priorities

Extending the international academic exchanges in the periods between World Congresses, by means of ISA-sponsored thematic conferences, regional meetings, specialized symposia,

all leading to internationally accessible publications.

Introducing **regular ISA-sponsored prizes** for the best book of the year, and the medals for distinguished career in sociology, granted to three persons every fourth year (at the World Congresses).

Developing new, **discursive and adversarial formats of the sessions at the World Congresses** (round-tables, debates and contests among representatives of opposite orientations, evaluations of the life-work of eminent authors by a group of critics with a response from the author, critical evaluation of influential books in the presence of the author, spontaneous debates among leading authors on the vital social issues etc.)

Preparing the **World Congress at Brisbane, 2002**, with a focus on the future of sociology in the just beginning 21st century. Under the title Sociology for the New Millennium, or Sociology at the Verge of the New Millennium, the programme should discuss expected orientations, trends, methodological and conceptual breakthroughs in sociology, as the possible responses to the vast agenda of challenges, problems and issues raised by the human societies in the coming age.

Vice-President for Research Arnaud Sales, Canada

Current position

Doctorat d'État Lettres et Sciences Humaines (Sociology), Université de Paris VII, France, (1977). Full Professor of Sociology, Université de Montréal, Québec, Canada

Selected publications

"La Bourgeoisie industrielle au Québec, Montréal", Presses de l'Université de Montréal, 1979. "Décideurs et Gestionnaires, étude sur la direction et l'encadrement des secteurs privé et public", avec Noël Bélanger, Québec, Editeur Officiel du Québec, 1985. Louis Maheu and Arnaud Sales (under the direction of), "La recomposition du politique", Montréal, P.U.M. and Paris, L'Harmattan, 1992.

Organizational experience

Vice-Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Montreal (1987-92), a faculty with an enrollment of over 10,000 students; AS was in charge of the Humanities and Social Sciences sector, consisting of over 20 departments and three faculties. Chair, ISA Research Committee on Economy and Society(1990-94). Member, ISA Executive Committee (1994-98). International Vice-President, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (1995-97). Organizer of several international conferences.

Priorities

Academic: - Ensure the continuity of ongoing projects initiated by Stella Quah during her term; - Encourage and support development of academic activities by RCs which constitute the academic heart of the ISA; - Be responsive to proposals, suggestions and requests from RCs as sources of new ideas; - Ensure that ISA RC administrative meetings are always tied with major academic conferences as Stella Quah and I did in Montreal in 1997. With the collaboration of the Research Committees, a conference would be organized for the year 2000 with a possible theme: "Social Transformations at the Turn of the Century: Sociological Theory and Current Empirical Research"; - With a view to promoting regular scientific exchanges among RCs, which are critical to the integration of the specializations inherent to our discipline, encourage groups of several RCs working in related fields to join forces and organize a joint conference to be held between the Montreal and Brisbane Congresses; - Discuss new formulas (for example, featured speakers and roundtables) for introducing special Research Committee sessions at the Brisbane World Congress.

Administrative: - Promote in a collegial spirit and with assistance from the ISA Secretariat, the smooth operation of RCs by maintaining regular communication with elected officers, namely as regards scientific activities, membership and

international recruiting. Apply the Guidelines on Performance Evaluation approved at the ISA Research Council Meeting held in Montreal, August 1997. - Substantially increase funding the RCs receive from the ISA. Given the importance of RCs within the ISA, they currently receive very limited financial assistance, especially for the publication of newsletters which help promote membership. - Facilitate the expansion of their membership worldwide, which is vital to the ISA, and particularly improve the integration of membership data bases between the Research Committees and the ISA Secretariat through a modern data interchange system.

Vice-President for Publications Christine Inglis, Australia

Current position

Associate Professor in the School of Social and Policy Studies in Education, and Director, Multicultural Research Centre, University of Sydney.

Three principal writings

"Multiculturalism: New Policy Responses to Diversity" .Paris: UNESCO MOST Policy Papers no.4 (1996); "Making Something of Myself..." Educational Attainment and Social and Economic Mobility of Turkish Young People in Australia AGPS, Canberra (1992) with J.Elley and L. Manderson Asians in Australia: The Dynamics of Migration and Settlement .Sydney/Singapore: Allen & Unwin/ISEAS (1992) for which she was the main editor and wrote the Introduction as well as the Concluding chapter with C. T. Wu.

Organisational experience

Her organisational experience with ISA began in 1982 when she was elected as a Board member for RC05, a position which she held until 1990 when she was elected Vice-President and then, in 1994, President of RC05. In 1994 she was elected by the Research Council to the Executive Committee of the ISA. As a member of the EC she has i) chaired the sub-committee organising the Third Worldwide Competition for Young Sociologists; ii) been a member of the Programme Committee organising the Montreal Congress Program; iii) of the Finance Committee and, iv) of the Research Coordinating Committee. Other international organisation experience includes being a member of the committee which organised the first Asia Pacific Regional Conference of Sociology in Manila in 1996 which led to the formation last year of the Asia Pacific Sociological Association. She also organised in 1989 a joint conference in Singapore for the Centre for Advanced Studies of the National University of Singapore, the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies and the Asian Studies Association of Australia.

At the national level she has had extensive organisational experience with the Asian Studies Association of Australia serving on the Executive from 1980 to 1990 as General Councillor (1980-82), National Curriculum Officer (1982-84), Convenor of the Biennial Conference (1984-86) and Secretary (1986-90). As National Curriculum Officer she initiated with support from the Curriculum Development Centre of Australia a publication on Asia distributed to all Australian schools. As Secretary she was directly involved in the ASAA's 5 separate monograph publication series and in 1989 she was a founding member of the ASAA's Editorial Board for its "Women in Asia" series, an involvement which continued until 1996.

Priorities

International scholarly publishing is being affected by rapid technological changes associated with electronic publishing. Of even greater potential concern for more traditional monograph publications are the impact of international economic changes and reductions in subsidies coinciding with a declining library and general market. When combined with issues associated with publication in languages other than English there is a need to continually review how the ISA's contribution to the development

of Sociology internationally can be continued and enhanced from its already solidly established role. Her work in the Asia-Pacific Region and, especially in the Young Sociologists Worldwide competition, underlies her interest to give priority to exploring how the publishing programme of the ISA can be developed to strengthen the development of sociology outside Europe and North America. The monographs based on the ISA Regional Conferences published in conjunction with the 1998 World Congress are an important initiative and the location of the 2002 ISA World Congress in Brisbane, Australia provides an important momentum for further developing ISA's contribution to greater diversity in international sociological publishing.

Vice-President for Membership and Finance

Juan Díez-Nicolás, Spain

Current position

Professor of Sociology at the Complutense University of Madrid. His academic experience includes positions as Vice-Dean at the Economics Faculty and Vice-Rector of the University of Malaga (1971-73), Rector of the Spanish Open University (1974-77), Founder and Director of the Population and Human Ecology Department at the Complutense University of Madrid (1975-93).

Selected publications

His publications include around 15 books and 160 articles in professional journals.

Organisational experience

President of the Spanish Federation on Sociology (1994-98). Member of ISA Executive Committee and its Membership and Finance Committee since 1994. At present he is a member of the Steering Committee of the World Values Study, having participated in the 1990 and 1995 waves, a member of the Planning Committee of the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (elected in 1994 and re-elected in 1998), a member of ISSP since 1993, and consultant for the Sigma Project at OECD. He has shown managerial experience not only in the academic world, but also in the public administration, having been appointed to many different positions at the Director general and Deputy-Secretary levels by the Spanish Government, particularly during the political transition to democracy (1973-82). He has represented Spain at numerous committees at UNESCO, OECD, the Council of Europe, the EEC of the UN, having been member of the Bureau, Vice-Chairman and Chairman (for two terms) of the European Population Committee of the Council of Europe. He is fluent in all three official languages of the ISA.

Priorities

1. **To promote and increase membership**, not only individuals, but especially institutions, to ensure much more self support for ISA activities from members themselves, and with the goal of providing more facilities for members from less developed countries.

2. **To encourage and financially support academic thematic conferences** based on the following conditions: (i) that the conference is promoted by a national association of a less developed country, and (ii) supported by at least three Research Committees that will help elaborate the academic programme, and (iii) that at least 50 individual ISA members from at least 10 countries commit themselves to attend the conference and participate in the discussion, and (iv) that a report of the conference, including presented papers, is made available to ISA.

3. **To seek financial support from national and international, public and private organizations**, including foundations, big companies, etc., to cover the initiatives which emanate from the Executive Committee and the Research Committees, and to advise both bodies of the possibilities to obtain the necessary resources.

Members of the Executive Committee

Bernadette Bawin-Legros Belgium

Current position

Professor and Director of the Department of Social Sciences at the Université de Liège, Belgium. Member of the Council of Administration of the Université de Liège. Member of the Commission for Social Sciences at the National Scientific Research Fund.

Selected publications

"Famille, Mariage, Divorce". Mardaga, Bruxelles 1988. "Parenté, Transmission, Mémoire". Université de Liège et Université de Genève 1991. "Sociologie de la Famille: Le lien familial sous question", De Boeck, Bruxelles, 1996.

Organizational experience

President, Belgian French Sociological Association (1983-87). Member, Executive Committee, Association Internationale des Sociologues de Langue Française (1985-96). Co-chair (with J. Kellerhals), AISLF Family Research Committee. Member, Expert Council of Fonds International de Coopération Universitaire.

Roberto Briceño-León Venezuela

Current position

Professor of Central University of Venezuela and Director of Social Sciences Research Laboratory.

Selected publications

Author of nine books and several articles in scientific journals. Books to be highlighted: The perverse effects of oil exportation; The ill house: sociology of Chagas disease, and Social classes and individuals in Venezuela.

Organizational experience

He has been president of the Venezuelan Sociological Association and is at present global secretary of the International Forum for Social Sciences and Health. Has been active in the organization of the Latin American Congress of Sociology and the Congresses of Social Sciences and Medicine and speaks the three official languages of ISA.

Linda Christiansen-Ruffman, Canada

Current position

Professor of Sociology at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, Canada, is about to finish her term as Coordinator of an inter-university graduate programme in Women's Studies, the first joint degree programme there. At present she is working on 3 funded collaborative and

comparative research projects, one each at the local, national and international levels.

Selected publications

"Fragile Truths: Twenty-Five Years of Sociology and Anthropology in Canada", with co-editors William K. Carroll, Raymond F. Currie and Deborah Harrison, Ottawa 1992. "Women and Work: Feminist Research in Progress" with Francine Descarries and Mary Lynn Stewart, Ottawa 1993 (published in French as *Les femmes et le travail: La recherche féministe en cours*) and the edited book in the ISA series published for Montreal, 1998 on "Feminism and Social Knowledge".

Organizational experience

She has been Vice-President, President and Past President of three scholarly organizations: the Atlantic Association of Sociologists and Anthropologists, 1975-77; the Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women (CRIAW), 1985-88; and the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association, 1988-91. Her contributions have been recognized by her receipt of Honorary Membership in CRIAW in 1990 and the Outstanding Contribution Award of the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association in 1994. Her participation in the ISA began in 1974 when she presented a paper at the Toronto World Congress. She has served as the elected Chair of Research Committee 32 on Women in Society (WISISA) from 1991-94 and organized the full programme for Bielefeld. She has been a member of the ISA Executive Committee, 1994-98.

Olayiwola Erinoshó Nigeria

Current position

Professor of Sociology and Head, Ogun State University, Ibadan, Nigeria.

Selected publications

Seventy publications, the most recent being: "African Social Welfare Systems in Perspective", *International Social Science Journal*, 140, June, 1994. *Female Genital Mutilation in Nigeria*, Inter-African Committee (Nigeria), 1997. *Health Sociology*, Ibadan: Sam Bookman Publishers 1998. "The Impact of Macroeconomic Policies on Nigeria's Health Sector", forthcoming in J.F.E. Ohihenuan (ed.), *Policy and Institutional Processes for Sustainable Human Development in Africa*, Witswaterstand University Press.

Organizational experience

Foundation Dean of Faculty of Social and Management Sciences and Professor of

Sociology, Ogun State University (1985-90). Research Professor and Director, Social Development Division, Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research, Ibadan (1993-94). External Examiner to thirteen Departments of Sociology in Nigeria. President, Nigerian Anthropological & Sociological Association (1987-95). President (1990-91) and Executive Secretary (1998-) of the Social Science Council of Nigeria. Board Member, ISA Research Committee on the Sociology of Mental Health (1978-). Honorary Consultant to WHO (1985-96). Consultant to USAID, Nigeria (1990 & 94), UNDP African Bureau New York (1996-97), World Bank (1989).

Vicenzo Ferrari Italy

Current position

Practising Lawyer since 1965. Professor of Sociology of Law and Director of the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of Law, Milan University, Italy.

Selected publications

Author and editor of about 100 scientific writings, among them, recently: "Funzioni del diritto", Roma Bari 1978 (Spanish edition *Funciones del Derecho*, Madrid 1989, Greek edition *Leitourgies tou Dikaiou*, Thessalonika 1992), "Giustizia e diritti umani", Milano 1995. "Lineamenti di sociologia del diritto", vol. I, *Azione giuridica e sistema normativo*, Roma Bari 1997 (Spanish edition forthcoming). Editor-in-chief, *Sociologia del diritto*. Member, Editorial Board, Associations, *Droit et Société* and *Ratio Juris*.

Organizational experience

Member of the Board of Directors, International Institute for Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain, 1989-. Member of the Board of ISA Research Committee on Sociology of Law, 1978-, and President 1990-94. Member of the ISA Executive Committee, 1994-98. Visiting professor in a number of foreign universities, recently at Stanford, 1995, Externado de Colombia, Bogota, 1996-97, UNAM Mexico, 1998, Ain Shams Cairo, 1998. Languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish, spoken, read and written; Portuguese, read.

Jean Marie Fritz USA

Current position

Associate Professor of Planning and Health Policy at the University of Cincinnati (USA). Her work has been supported by numerous grants and

fellowships including ones from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Kellogg Foundation and the International Research and Exchanges Board. Professor Fritz has lived and worked in Poland and Sweden and conducted workshops in Italy, Ireland and Mexico.

Selected publications

She is the author or editor of over 60 publications including four editions of "The Clinical Sociology Resource Book" and "Clinical Sociological Perspectives on Illness and Loss: the Linkage of Theory and Practice". Her articles have appeared in publications such as the Journal of the American Medical Association, Preventive Medicine and Readings in Social Psychology as well as Sociologies Cliniques (France), Sociologia Clinica e Sistemi Socio-Sanitari (Italy) and Estudios de Criminología (Spain).

Organizational experience

She currently is a member of the Executive Committee of the International Sociological Association, the Executive Board of ISA Research Committee on Sociotechnics - Sociological Practice and the Executive Board of the American Health Planning Association. She is a past president of the Sociological Practice Association and a recipient of that organization's Distinguished Career Award. She also has been chair of the Sociological Practice Section of the American Sociological Association and president of Research Committee on Clinical Sociology within the International Sociological Association. At the request of a regional office of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Professor Fritz mediates cases that come before the Commission.

Jorge González Sánchez Mexico

Current position

Programme Coordinator of Contemporary Cultures studies, CIS, University of Colima, Mexico

Selected publications

"Más(+) cultura(s). Ensayos sobre realidades plurales", Mexico, CNCA, 1994
Metodología y Cultura (with J. Galindo) Mexico, CNCA, 1994. "La cultura en Mexico. Cifras clave (I)", Mexico CNCAy University of Colima, 1996

Organizational experience

Mesa Ad-Hoc Popular Cultures, ISA Xth World Congress, Mexico, 1982. 1er Encuentro Sociedad y Culturas Populares, UAM, Mexico, 1982. 2nd Worldwide Contest for Young Sociologist (Spanish language Jury). Red de Comunicacion Compleja, 1985-1998 (Mexico, Colombia y Brasil) More than 20 publications about analysis of the symbolic dimension of society in

international reviews (Italy, UK, USA, Brazil, Colombia, France, Peru)

Bert Klandermans The Netherlands

Current position

Professor of Applied Social Psychology, Free University, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The emphasis in his work is on the social psychological consequences of social, economical and political change.

Selected publications

He has published extensively on the social psychological principles of participation in social movements and labor unions. In these areas he is one of the leading experts in the world. He is the editor of "Social Movements, Protest and Contention", a book series published by the University of Minnesota Press. Four main publications: "Mobilization and participation in a social movement: Social psychological expansions of resource mobilization theory", American Sociological Review, 1984. "Potentials, networks, motivations, and barriers: Steps towards participation in social movements" (with Dirk Oegema), American Sociological Review, 1987. "Erosion of a movement's support: The unwanted effects of action mobilization" (with Dirk Oegema), American Sociological Review, 1994. The Social Psychology of Protest, Blackwell, 1997.

Organizational experience

President, Dutch Association of Political Psychology, 1994-96. Scientific Director, Kurt Lewin Institute (the Netherlands graduate school of social psychology and its applications), 1996-. Dean of Education, Department of Psychology and Pedagogics, Free University, 1995-99. Chairman, ASA Collective Behavior and Social Movement Section, 1996-97. President, ISA Research Committee on Social Movements, Collective Behavior and Social Change, 1994-98.

Claus Offe Germany

Current position

Professor of political science at the Institute of Social Science of Humboldt University, Berlin, holding a chair for political sociology and social policy.

Selected publications

Three last book publications in English are "Varieties of Transition, Modernity and the State, both Polity 1996", and "Institutional Design in Post Communist Societies", co-author, Cambridge UP 1998.

Organizational experience

Board Member, German Sociological Association. Member, ISA Programme Committee (1995-98).

Sujata PATEL India

Current position

Professor of Sociology, University Poona, Pune, India

Selected publications

The Making of Industrial Relations. Ahmedabad Textile Industry 1918-1939. Delhi, Oxford University Press 1987. Bombay. Metaphor for Modern India. Bombay, Oxford University Press 1995, Co-edited with Alice Thorner. Bombay. Mosaic of Modern Culture. Bombay Oxford University Press 1995, Co-edited with Alice Thorner.

Organizational experience

National: Chair, Department of Sociology, SNDT Women's University, Bombay, India 1992-95. Expert, Board of Studies In Sociology, University of Bombay and Goa, India. 1995- Editorial Advisory Committee, Sociological Bulletin, 1997-. International: Member, Regional Advisory Council for South Asia, Social Science Research Council, New York, 1998-. Member, International Research Collaborative Committee, Social Science Research Council, New York, 1998-.

Jennifer Platt England

Current position

Professor of Sociology, University of Sussex, England.

Selected publications

"A History of Sociological Research Methods in America 1920-1960". Cambridge University Press (1996). "La réception des Règles en Angleterre et aux Etats Unis (1930-1970)" in ed. M. Borlandi & L. Mucchielli, "La Sociologie et sa Méthode: Les Règles de Durkheim un siècle après", L'Harmattan (1995). "Migration and globalization in intellectual life: a case study of the post-1956 exodus from Hungary" (with P. Isard) in ed. A. Brah et al., "Future Worlds: Migration and Globalization", Macmillan (1998).

Organisational experience

National: Own university: Head of Department 1976-78, 1988-90, 1998-; Sub-Dean (Academic Affairs) School of Social Sciences, 1980-83; Founding Director of Graduate Studies (for humanities and social sciences) 1988-90; Founding Director, Graduate Research Centre in the Social Sciences, 1994-7. In Britain: Editor, Sociology, journal of British Sociological Association, 1985-87; President, BSA, 1987-89; Member, Executive Committee of the Association of Learned Societies in the Social Sciences, 1987-93; Member, several committees of the Economic and Social Research Council (national research funding body); Member, Sociology panel, national Research Assessment Exercises, 1988, 1992.

International: In the ISA: Secretary, Research Committee on the History of

Sociology, 1992-8; Member, Executive Committee, 1994-8; convenor of the Sub-Committee on Performance Evaluation for Research Committees, 1996-7; Organiser, various World Congress sessions past and for 1998. Member, Editorial Board, The American Sociologist, 1997-.

Gilles Pronovost

Canada

Current position

Professor, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, Canada

Selected publications

"The Sociology of Leisure". SAGE: Current Sociology, forthcoming. "Loisir et société. Traité de sociologie empirique". Presses de l'Université du Québec, 1997. "Médias et pratiques culturelles", Presses de l'Université de Grenoble 1996. "Sociologie du temps", De Boeck, Brussels 1996.

Organizational experience

President, Association canadienne des sociologues et anthropologues de langue française, 1989-93. President, ISA Research Committee on Sociology of Leisure, 1994-98. Chair, Local Organising Committee of the XIV World Congress of Sociology. Member, Editorial Board 1995-, "Current Sociology".

Ari Sitas

South Africa

Current position

He is a writer, dramatist and sociologist. He is the Dean of Social Science at the University of Natal in Durban, South Africa, and holds a chair in the Sociology Department. He is the current President of the South African Sociological Association and is part of the task team working on the future of the discipline for the new education structures in the country. He has played a leading role in the formulation of policies in the areas of education, culture, labour and human resource development - areas on which he has published extensively. He has just been appointed as chair of the Research Advisory Committee for the Urban Strategy section of the Durban Metropolitan Council to direct research on the reconstruction and transformation of the city's quality of life.

Selected publications

His latest work, "Theoretical Parables for the Remaking of a Sociology of Civic Virtue in the South" is about to be published. He has co-edited the Southern Africa volume for the ISA's Heritage and

Future of Sociology series, titled "Gathering Voices".

Göran Therborn

Sweden

Current position

Director of the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study in Uppsala. He has been appointed Full Professor in two disciplines (sociology and political science), in three countries (Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden). He has worked in four continents (Europe - East, as European Chair of Social Policy in 1996, and West -, North America, South America, and in Australia) and on all parts of the world (at least with regard to the history of the right to vote, and to the institution of the family).

Selected publications

His writings include, Science, Class, and Society (London, Verso, 1976), Why Some Peoples Are More Unemployed Than Others (London, Verso, 1986), European Modernity and Beyond. The Trajectory of European Societies 1945-2000 (London, Sage, 1995). Publications in nineteen languages so far.

Organizational experience

He became a member of the ISA in 1974, and is a member of the outgoing Executive Committee. He is member of the ISA Research Committees on Comparative Sociology, Labour Movements, Political Sociology, Social Policy, and Theory. He organized the ISA National Council meeting in 1992, and co-organized the ISA Nordic regional meeting in 1997. He was President of the Swedish Sociological Association in 1990-91, and of the Nordic Association in 1992-94. He was a member of the EC of the European Sociological Association in 1995-97. He is chairman of a national interdisciplinary research committee of one of the Swedish Research Councils, on Global Processes from a European Perspective. He was a member of the Scientific Council of the Swedish Labour Market Board in 1992-97, and the representative of the social sciences on the Cabinet Advisory Council on Research, Sweden, in 1989-91. He speaks all the official languages of the ISA, although none of them faultlessly.

Peter Weingart

Germany

Current position

Professor of sociology and sociology of science at the University of Bielefeld,

Germany since 1973. Director of the Institute of Science and Technology Studies, University of Bielefeld. Former director of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research (1989-94)

Selected publications

Human by Nature. Between Biology of the Social Sciences, edited with Peter Richerson, Sandra Mitchel, Sabine Maasen, New Jersey 1998. Rasse, Blut und Gene, with J. Kroll and K. Bayertz, Frankfurt 1988. With S. Maasen, The Order of Meaning: The Career of Chaos as a Metaphor, Configurations, 5, 1997.

Organizational experience

Member of numerous editorial boards and advisory committees. Chairman of the Local Organizing Committee of the ISA World Congress of Sociology in Bielefeld, 1994.

Shujiro Yazawa

Japan

Current position

Professor of Sociology and Global Issues, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo, Japan.

Selected publications

"American Intellectuals: Portraits of New York Intellectuals", Tokyo University Press 1996 (in Japanese). "Insurgents Against the Global Order: A Comparative Analysis of the Zapatistas in Mexico, American Militia and AUM Shinrikyo" (with M. Castells and E. Kiselyova), Berkeley Journal of Sociology, Vol.40, 1996 (in English). "Japanese Sociology: Its Continuous Efforts for the Development of Inter-societal and Inter-cultural Knowledge and Information", North American Studies, International Journal of Sociology No.6 (in English).

Organizational experience

National: Executive Committee Member of the Japan Sociological Society (1985-88): Founding editor-in-chief of International Journal of Japanese Sociology (1991-93). President, International Liaison Committee of Japan Sociological Society (1997-2000). International: Member, ISA Programme Committee (1986-90). Member, Editorial Board, Current Sociology (1986-94). Member, ISA Executive Committee and Subgroup of Young Sociologist Competition (1994-98). Organiser, ISA Executive Committee meeting and Toyko Conference (1997). Board Member, ISA Research Committee on Social Movements and Social Classes.



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Social Knowledge: Heritage, Challenges, Perspectives

Publications and video-tapes of the ISA Regional Conferences

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International Sociological Association organized in 1996 and 1997 ten regional conferences around the globe, each addressing the theme of the recently held XIV World Congress of Sociology (Montreal, July 1998): **Social Knowledge: Heritage, Challenges, Perspectives**. The ten regional conferences each has produced a small book, discussing the state of sociology and its future not in the region but as seen from the region. There was also commissioned a special volume on this question as seen from the point of view of world feminism, and moreover a Southeast Asia volume was prepared after the Congress.

These volumes collectively represent a genuine insight into the range of views about sociology as it has developed in the different regions of the world. A world debate infused with the background of reading these 12 volumes may help us make a significant step forward in the construction of a genuinely international mode of analysis and create a common baseline of contributions by sociologists from around the globe.

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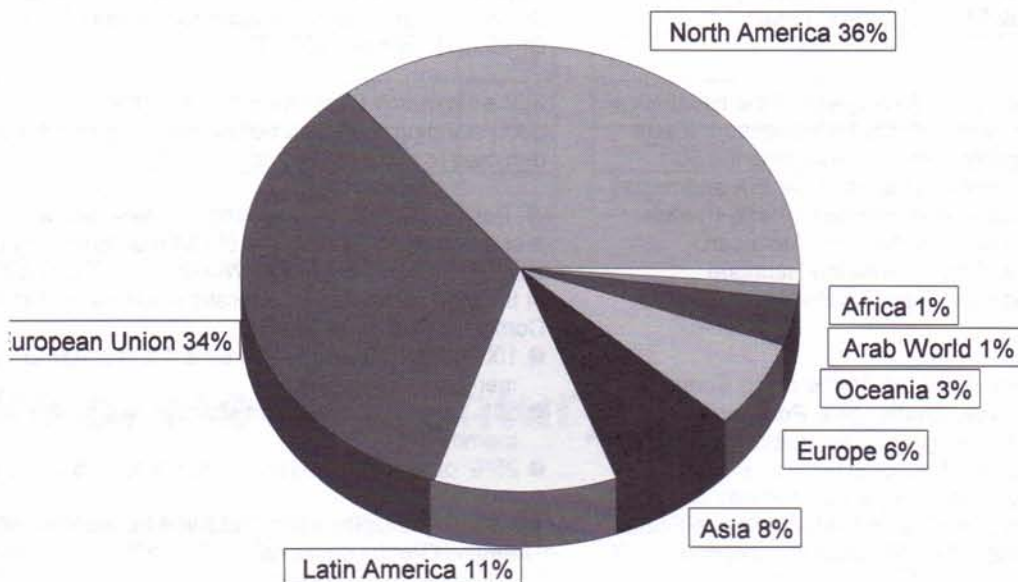
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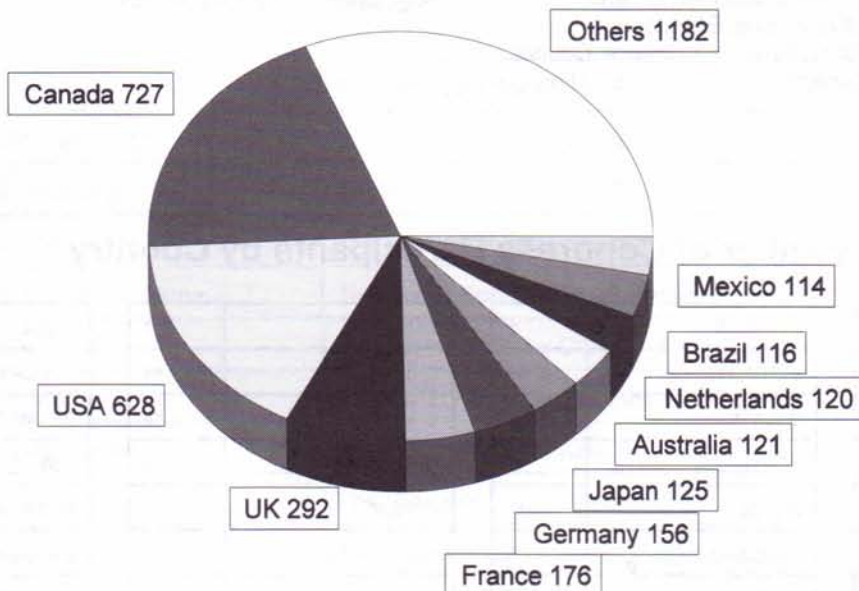
ISA XIV World Congress of Sociology

Registered Congress Participants: 3757

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Report on the ISA XIV World Congress of Sociology, Montreal 1998

The XIV World Congress of Sociology celebrated at the Congress Convention and Université du Québec à Montréal on July 26 - August 1, 1998, attracted 3757 participants from 89 countries who attended over 600 sessions of symposia, research committees, working and thematic groups. 3171 abstracts were published in a congress issue of *Sociological Abstracts*. (Note: ISA members interested in purchasing copies of Programme Book and/or Sociological Abstracts, please contact ISA Secretariat, fax 34-91-3524945, Email: isa@sis.ucm.es)

Montreal Congress was the last ISA congress of the twentieth century and took place 50 years after ISA's foundation. It was opened with a commemorative session celebrating the 50th History of ISA at which several ex officers of the ISA addressed the public and video messages from Rafael Caldera, President of Venezuela and Past President of the Latin American Sociological Association, and from Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of Brazil and Past ISA President 1982-86, were shown.

The Programme Committee chose the theme of the Congress "**Social Knowledge: Heritage, Challenges, Perspectives**" to stimulate an intellectually challenging debates about the fundamental issues that confront social scientists on the turn of the centuries. This general theme was articulated into six more specific topics of the Symposia: Changing Identities and Social Orders; The Quality of Modern Life; Unequal Development;

Natural Parameters of Social Existence; and Social Science and Power: Knowledge for What?. Moreover, three plenary sessions of the Congress were devoted to: "The Heritage of Sociology, the Future of Social Science" a presidential address given by the out-going ISA President, Immanuel Wallerstein; "Social Knowledge and the Multiplicity of Languages and Cultures" chaired by Alain Touraine; and "The Future of Sociology and Social Sciences in the Twenty-first Century" chaired by Alberto Martinelli.

During the Congress week there were also held several meetings of the ISA administrative bodies: Executive Committee and its sub-committees, Research Council, Council of National Associations and Assembly of Councils. Election

results are published on the previous pages of this *Bulletin*, and below are listed the most important decisions taken by the Executive Committee.

Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups

1) Three new Research Committees are established: Research Committee 51 on Sociocybernetics (formerly WG01); Research Committee 52 on Sociology of Professional Groups (formerly WG02); and Research Committee 53 on Sociology of Childhood (formerly WG03).

2) If a Research Committee has less than 25 ISA members in good standing two years before the Congress it is automatically demoted to Working Group.

3) For the 2002 Brisbane Congress sessions will be allocated proportionally to the number of ISA members in good standing each Research Committee, Working and Thematic Group has at the time of allocating congress sessions. A Research Committee will be entitled to:

- 100% of available session slots if it has 100 ISA paid-up members
- 50% of available session slots if it has 50 ISA paid-up members
- 25% of available session slots if it has 25 ISA paid-up members

The same principles will be followed for the Working and Thematic Groups sessions.

Collective members

ISA membership of collective members who have not paid their membership dues for two consecutive years will be automatically discontinued.

ISA Code of Ethics

A sub-committee on ISA Code of Ethics composed of Vincenzo Ferrari (Chair), Linda Christiansen-Ruffman, Juan Díez-Nicolá and Göran Therborn will continue its work on drafting a code. ISA members are requested to send to the ISA Secretariat their suggestions for the committee.

Number of Congress Participants by Country

ALGERIA	3
ARAB EMIRATES	2
ARGENTINA	58
ARMENIA	1
AUSTRALIA	121
AUSTRIA	15
BARBADOS	2

BELARUS	2
BELGIUM	39
BOLIVIA	1
BOSTWANA	1
BRAZIL	116
BULGARIA	6
CAMEROON	1

CANADA	727
CHILE	15
CHINA	15
COLOMBIA	6
CONGO	1
COSTA RICA	3
CROATIA	1

CUBA	2
CZECH REPUBLIC	7
DENMARK	50
EGYPT	7
EL SALVADOR	1
ESTONIA	5
FINLAND	83

FRANCE	176
GERMANY	156
GHANA	1
GREECE	23
GUATEMALA	1
HAITI	4
HONG KONG	5
HUNGARY	12
ICELAND	1
INDIA	38
INDONESIA	2
IRAN	2
IRELAND	15
ISRAEL	42
ITALY	95
JAPAN	125

KOREA	18
KOREA, REP.DEM.	1
KUWAIT	1
KYRGYZSTAN	1
LATVIA	2
LEBANON	1
LITHUANIA	4
LYBIA	1
MALAYSIA	5
MALTA	3
MAURITIUS	1
MEXICO	114
MOROCCO	4
NETHERLANDS	120
NEW ZEALAND	10
NIGERIA	5

NORWAY	63
PERU	7
PHILIPPINES	5
POLAND	20
PORTUGAL	41
PUERTO RICO	1
ROMANIA	1
RUSSIA	58
SAUDI ARABIA	3
SENEGAL	2
SINGAPORE	6
SLOVAKIA	3
SLOVENIA	11
SOUTH AFRICA	31
SPAIN	101

SRI LANKA	1
SWEDEN	68
SWITZERLAND	31
TAIWAN	14
THAILAND	4
TRINIDAD TOBAGO	7
TUNISIA	6
TURKEY	14
UKRAINE	5
UNITED KINGDOM	292
URUGUAY	20
USA	628
VENEZUELA	32
YUGOSLAVIA	3

Books of the XX Century

One of the major aims of the Montreal Congress, the last ISA congress organized in the twentieth century, was to make a critical assessment of sociological heritage. In this framework the ISA Programme Committee carried on in 1997 an opinion survey in order to identify ten most important books for sociologists. ISA members were asked to list five books published in the twentieth century which were most influential in their work as sociologists. 16% of ISA members (455 out of 2785) participated in the survey.

A special Congress round table session *Books of the XX Century* was organized by Piotr Sztompka, Jeffrey Alexander, Hans Joas, Stephen Mennel, Bernard Phillips, Ann Rawls and Loic Wacquant discussed the continuing significance of the selected books.

Further details on the survey are available on Internet at <http://www.ucm.es/info/isa/books/> or from ISA Secretariat in Madrid.

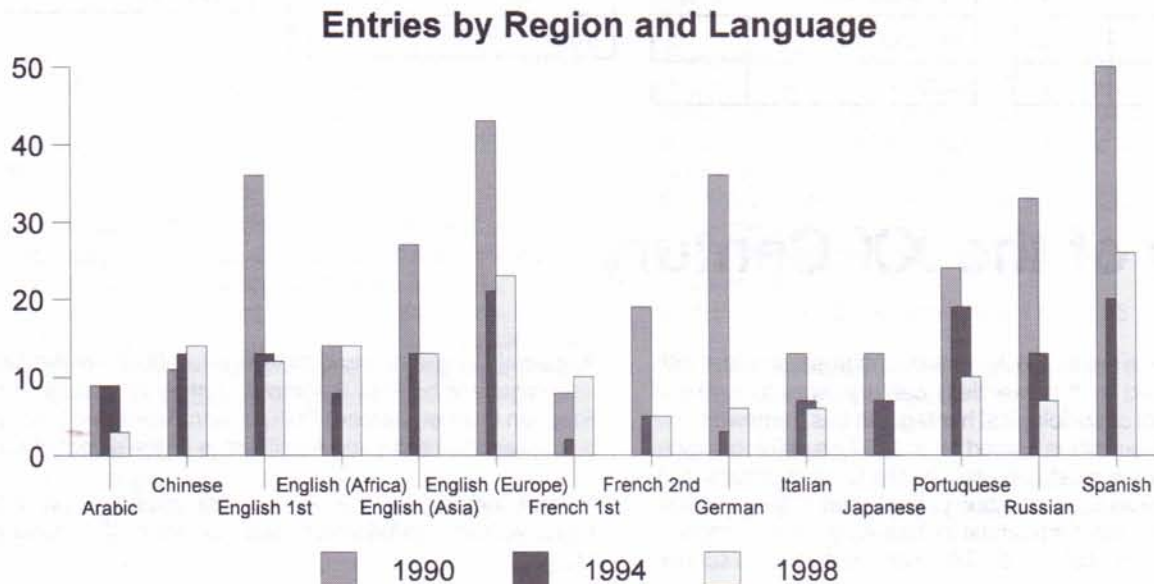
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1	Weber, Max	Economy and Society	20,9
2	Mills, Charles Wright	The Sociological Imagination	13
3	Merton, Robert K.	Social Theory and Social Structure	11,4
4	Weber, Max	The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism	10,3
5	Berger, P.L. and Luckmann, T.	The Social Construction of Reality	9,9
6	Bourdieu, Pierre	Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgment of Taste	9,5
7	Elias, Norbert	The Civilizing Process: Power and Civility	6,6
8	Habermas, Jürgen	The Theory of Communicative Action	6,4
9	Parsons, Talcott	The Structure of Social Action	6,2
10	Goffman, Erving	The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life	5,5

Winners of the Third Young Sociologists Worldwide Competition 1995-1998

From the total of 19 regional winners (there were also 12 highly commended essays, see *ISA Bulletin* 76-77 for more details), the Grand Jury eventually identified 5 overall winners after three rounds of judging. In 1994, 7 winners were selected and, in 1990, there were 5 winners. The five winners of the 1998 competition are:

- ☆Boris HOLZER (Germany): *Wunder mit System-Der Wirtschaftliche Aufstieg Ostasiens und die Rolle soziokultureller Muster*
- ☆Cristina IANELLI (Italy) : *Educational Choices in Italy*
- ☆Matar MBAYE (France): *Les attitudes des entrepreneurs senegalais de la petite entreprise de production face a la rigidite technique*
- ☆Anton OLEYNIK (Russia) : *The Costs and Prospects of Economic Reforms in Russia - an institutional approach*
- ☆Jennifer PARKER (USA): *The Corporate Fast Food Restaurant as Transnational Community: global and local interactions among an immigrant workforce in New York City*

For the Third Competition 1995-1998, a total of 138 eligible entries were received which were distributed across languages and regions as follows:



In Memoriam:

Elizabeth King 1949-1998

by Martin Albrow,
Founding Editor of *International Sociology*

Liz King, Associate Editor of the ISA journal *International Sociology* from 1984-1994, was found drowned on the shore of Chania, Crete on 24th April. All who remember her work in establishing that journal will recall the tireless dedication and effort she expended first in Cardiff, Wales and then in Bielefeld, Germany. The journal itself could not have begun without her special skills and a very large number of sociologists who knew her in that role will feel that a good friend has passed away.

Elisabeth Regina Utz was born in Germany of German parents. Her father was a village baker in Wilchingen, just inside the Swiss border, and after school there she attended a business studies course in Waldshut, Baden. At the age of 21 she came to London to learn English, eventually making it into another mother tongue,

something which gave her enormous pleasure. She followed a course of education which culminated in her obtaining a first class degree in sociology from the Polytechnic of Central London in 1979. Throughout that time she worked in clerical, secretarial and administrative positions in firms and university departments. After a brief period in Liverpool, she arrived in Cardiff in 1981 and came into contact with the Sociology Department through her husband Michael King from whom she soon separated, remaining on good terms thereafter. She took a number of short-term jobs and became part-time secretary to the editor of *Sociology* in 1984, having worked previously on a translation of Niklas Luhmann's *Soziologie des Rechts* for the publisher Routledge.

When the ISA, through Margaret Archer's initiative, resolved to establish a new journal which would be equally accessible to sociologists world-wide, no matter what language they commanded, the presence of Liz in Cardiff was an essential ingredient in the formula which led to the founding of *International Sociology* with its first issue in 1986. She was completely in

command of correspondence with authors and with all language editing and preparation for publication. Everyone benefitted from the loving care she devoted to their work, and many became close friends through correspondence which often continued for years after the initial contact. The co-editing of the volume specially prepared for the Madrid Congress, *Globalization, Knowledge and Society* (1990 London: SAGE) entirely from notable contributions to the journal in its first four years, was only the most public evidence of her work.

Such was her dedication that she uprooted from her Cardiff home in 1990 to take the journal to Bielefeld and ensure that the first crucial change of editorial work but also the general administration of the Journal, liaison with the publisher and with the ISA as Secretary to the Publications Committee. Despite the pleasure of all around she felt she could not move yet again, this time to Rome, and so she left her work with the ISA in 1994, though not her letter writing.

She had formed the idea that Crete could become her sanctuary for a more profound life and that she might be able to write on her own account. The experience proved very stressful and she returned to Britain to resume administrative employment but found it very difficult to settle, returning to Crete after her father's death, building a new circle of friends, asking again 'the big question of where we are heading in this uncertain world' as she wrote in a letter, and discovering that 'the most beautiful European words are Greek'.

Liz always looked for the infinite in everyday small things which is why we all benefited from her selfless concern for the details we got wrong. She resisted attempts to guide her into the academic work which her intellect could easily have sustained, preferring always to serve the needs of others. She took the greatest pleasure in small gatherings of friends, preferably with some alcohol, when the threads of her work and feelings were interwoven with theirs. For her the journal was a living ideal, for them she made it human.

She consciously chose a life in Crete in which she wrote 'there is obviously a price to be paid in the 'disenchanted West' for delving into the emotional and semi-mystical 'life-world'. Sociologists will continue to give thanks in our work that we had the privilege of being part of her dream for so long she decided on her 'return to nature'.

Adam Podgórecki 1925-1998 by William M. Evan, University of Pennsylvania

Adam Podgórecki, who did pioneering work in the field of sociology of the law and was a uniquely creative intellectual, died of a heart attack at his home in Ottawa on August 18, 1998. Born in Cracow, where he received his M.A. in Sociology and a Ph.D. in Law at Jagiellonian University, he eventually joined the Faculty of Warsaw University in 1956. He was inspired by Leon Petrazycki's ideas on law and society and Maria Ossowska's pioneering work in the sociology of morality. An independent thinker, Podgórecki soon came into conflict with the academic guardians for the Polish Communist Party devoted to maintaining political orthodoxy.

Recognized internationally for his original ideas, he received many invitations from abroad such as the Law School of Northwestern University, All Souls College, Oxford, the University of Pennsylvania, the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral

Sciences at Stanford, the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities, and the Center for Socio-Legal Studies at Wolfson College, Oxford.

In 1972 Podgórecki co-founded the first university department in Poland devoted to socio-legal and criminological research. When the university authorities expelled him and a group of his close associates for 'anti-state academic activity', he reluctantly left Poland and, after one and half years at the University of Oxford, he accepted a professorship in sociology at Carleton University in Canada. This finally enabled him to pursue his scholarly work free of the political constraints in his homeland.

During two decades of his exile from Warsaw, Podgórecki conducted an extensive program of scholarly research in Polish as well as in English. Among his 12 books published in Polish, especially noteworthy are his 1962 *Sociology of Law* and his *A Sociological Theory of Law*, published in 1991 with Giuffrè, Milano, and republished earlier this year, in Polish.

Among his 14 books published in English, I would like to mention his 1973 *Knowledge and Opinion about Law*, which he initiated as a collaborative research project with colleagues from various European countries, his 1991 *A Theory in the Sociology of Law*, and his *Multidimensional Sociology*, co-authored with his intellectual companion and wife, Maria Los. The most recent of his books are *Social Oppression* (1993), *Polish Society*, (1994), and *Higher Faculties: A Cross-National Study of University* (1997).

I had the good fortune of meeting Adam in 1961 on his first visit to the United States. In the course of a wide-ranging conversation on the problems and challenges of the sociology of law, we decided to submit a proposal to the Secretariat of the International Sociological Association to establish a Research Committee on the Sociology of the Law. Fortunately, our proposal was accepted. Together with colleagues from around the world we initiated a program of conferences and comparative research projects, which are continuing to this day. Adam Podgórecki was also a member of the ISA Executive Committee in 1970-74 and a founding father of the Research Committee on Sociotechnics.

A sociologist steeped in law, philosophy and literature, Podgórecki had a long-standing concern with problems of ethics. Given the diversity of social and political systems, there is a need for a set of transcending moral standards, which Podgórecki sums up his theory of global ethics with some of the following propositions:

1. Those who belong to the category of human beings have a duty to be reliable sponsors for all other living creatures.
2. All living creatures are responsible for the whole environment and universe which they share.
3. According to global ethics a human being is not the 'lord of other living creatures', but a cohabitant on the same planet. Human beings have a double responsibility because of their ability to diagnose the present and forecast the process of decomposition and destruction (Podgórecki, Si-Tien: *The Unknown Chinese Thinker*, Carleton University Press, Ottawa 1993, pp. 77-79.)

The core of Podgórecki's theory of 'global ethics' was developed more than 30 years ago when his idea of human beings as custodians of the Earth, rather than its masters, was a radical departure from occidental conceptions.

Podgórecki's scholarly work evoked the admiration of social scientists throughout the world. We will miss his brilliance, his wit and his integrity.

Publications of the ISA

From the incoming Editor of *International Sociology*

Saïd Amir Arjomand

It is a great privilege and challenge to take over the editorship of *International Sociology* on the eve of the new millennium, and a decade after a major turning point in world history. Coming on the crest of continuous technological and socio-cultural change, the dramatic political events of 1989 marked a turning point in world history as major as the industrial and democratic revolutions. The 'long twenty-first century' they inaugurated promises to comprise a global social transformation as momentous as the Great Transformation that gave birth to classical sociology. The international sociological community in our generation faces the challenge of understanding the current epochal transformation in historical and comparative perspectives. *International Sociology* is far better placed than the major national sociological journals to lead this historic enterprise; and I take my professional responsibility as its incoming Editor at this critical juncture most seriously.

As the journal of the International Sociological Association, *International Sociology* will continue to represent the research and scientific interests of its members. At the same time, it can and should meet the above challenge. The classic themes of social change, development and modernization, with their significant recent extensions - globalization and world economic, political and cultural systems - have gained new life with the expansion of the markets, the rule of law and democracy, and the human rights revolution. It is natural for *International Sociology* to be in the

forefront of research in these fields. These are obvious domains of sociological inquiry, and yet Sociology has not responded to the challenge of covering them as readily as have such neighboring disciplines as Political Science.

The present editorial policy of publishing special issues will be continued, and one of the four yearly issues will be used for the promotion of significant themes in international sociology. In identifying such themes for special issues, I would be grateful for advice from different Research Committees of the ISA. The new location of *International Sociology* in the United States should also have long-term consequences. The sociological community in the United States is at present under-represented in international sociological research, membership in the ISA, and contributions to and readership of *International Sociology*. This relative parochialism of American sociology can and should be remedied. As the incoming Editor, I consider it my responsibility to encourage the participation of the American sociological community in *International Sociology* and will urge other members of the editorial team in the United States to do the same.

Please send your comments and suggestions to
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Editorship of the *Sage Studies in International Sociology*

The Publications Committee of the ISA is seeking a successor to Neil Guppy, whose term as Editor of the *Sage Studies in International Sociology* will come to an end in 1999.

Sage Studies in International Sociology is a series of edited volumes, many of which contain papers presented at World Congresses of Sociology. Nearly 50 volumes have been published since the series was launched in 1974. The policy is to publish at least two volumes each year.

The ISA is seeking an outstanding sociologist with wide intellectual interests who will be able to secure the publication of high quality work of truly international interest. The comparative focus of many volumes is one of the series' most distinctive characteristics.

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Committee.

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Enquiries should be addressed to the Chair of the Selection Committee:
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For information on submission of articles, contact: The Editors, *Critical Horizons*, Ashworth Centre for Social Theory, HPS Dept, University of Melbourne, Parkville 3052, Victoria, Australia, tel: 61-3-934447287, fax: 61-3-9344 7959, email: johnfr@truck.its.unimelb.edu.au

Feminist Theory

Feminist Theory is a new international interdisciplinary journal being published by SAGE Publications in April 2000. The journal is being launched to provide a forum for critical analysis and constructive debate within feminist theory. The journal will be edited by Gabriele Griffin (Kingston Univ, UK), Rosemary Hennessy (SUNY, Albany, USA), Stevi Jackson (Univ York, UK) and Sasha Roseneil (Univ Leeds, UK). They will be supported by Associate Editors and an International Advisory Board. *Feminist Theory* will be genuinely interdisciplinary and will reflect the diversity of feminism, incorporating perspectives from across the broad spectrum of the humanities and social sciences and the full range of feminist political and theoretical

stances.

For further information about publishing in or subscribing to *Feminist Theory* contact: Jane Makoff, SAGE Publications, 6 Bonhill Street, London EC2A 4PU, Email: jane.makoff@sagepub.co.uk, SAGE website: www.sagepub.co.uk

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For more information and subscription: Sheffield Hallam University Press, Adsetts Centre, Sheffield S1 1WB, UK, email: m.moseley@shu.ac.uk

Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies

Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, an International Journal of Interdisciplinary and Interfaith Dialogue, seeks manuscripts for an issue on The Restoration of Philosophy: Interdisciplinary Perspectives. There is a growing liberal-moderate-conservative consensus that the contemporary crisis of society, East and West, is due not so much to material constraints, lack of information, or technological innovation, but rather a shortage of virtue - the classical Greek *arete* or excellence and the cardinal Pauline virtues of faith, hope and love. Could philosophy provide the key to rediscovering a culture of virtue and a more civil society and community in an increasingly interdependent world? And would such a philosophy have to embrace all knowledge, truth, and faith as *sophia* and *paideia*?

Deadline for submitting manuscripts: 1 January 1999. Send 3 both-sided copies of 15-25 pages and 150-word abstract, typed, double-spaced, in-text citation format, author identification on a separate sheet only to: O. Gruenwald, JIS Editor, IIR, 1065 Pine Bluff Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107, USA.

Punishment & Society

Punishment & Society is a new international journal that will provide an interdisciplinary forum for research and scholarship dealing with punishment, penal institutions and penal control. Edited by David Garland and Andrew Coyle, the journal aims to advance and refine the impressive body of work that has emerged over the last two decades, and to be a source of informed commentary and criticism regarding the penal policies and practices of our time.

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ISA Research Committee on Housing and the Built Environment

The Research Committee on Housing and the Built Environment of the International Sociological Association invites submissions for the first *Jorge E. Hardoy Memorial Prize for Best Paper by a Researcher from a Developing Country*. This prize was instituted to honor the late Jorge Hardoy and to recognize current work similarly concerned with improving the living conditions of low-income households in the developing countries.

Papers must contribute new insights into housing and the built environment, broadly viewed, in the developing world. Topics may be theoretical or empirical; local, national, or international in scope; and need not represent any particular discipline. Text must be in English. Maximum length is 25 pages, double spaced, including notes and bibliography, with 1.5" margins all around. Abstract of no more than 200 words is required. Name, address and title must appear on a separate cover page, without identifiers in the paper itself.

Submissions will be evaluated and ranked by a distinguished Board of Reviewers. The winner will receive US \$ 250 and a special certificate. The paper will also be published in *Habitat International*, along with other qualifying submissions. To be eligible, papers must be received by June 30, 1999. Please, send four copies to Willem van Vliet, College of Architecture and Planning, CB 314, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309-0314, USA, Email: willem@spot.colorado.edu

Grants from European Science Foundation

The Standing Committee for the Social Sciences of the European Science Foundation has launched a new scheme of small grants to support the development of social science research at the European level. The purpose of the grant scheme is to offer social scientists the facility of "seed money" to both build and strengthen research contacts, to test innovative ideas and to develop potential collaborative research projects. While applications in any topic field which meet these general criteria are welcomed, the SCSS would be particularly interested in receiving proposals on the following topics: Entrepreneurial Cultures in Small and Medium Sized Enterprises in Europe; The

Ageing and European Population and its Socio-Economic Consequences; Social Networks, Trust and Community Building in Europe.

Further information: Beatriz Garcia Diaz-Ambrona, Exploratory Research Grant Scheme in the Social Sciences, European Science Foundation, 1 quai Lezay-Marnesia, 67080 Strasbourg Cedex, France, tel: 33-3-88767142, fax: 33-3-88370532, email: beagda@esf.org

Grants from World Society Foundation

The Foundation for the Promotion of Social Research on World Society - *World Society Foundation* - funds selected proposals for research on the structure of and change in

world society. The next deadline for applications is June 30, 1999, for projects to start in 2000.

The funding activity of the Foundation also results from the contributions contained in the three volumes of the series *World Society Studies* published by Campus (Frankfurt 1990) resp. Transaction Publishers (New Brunswick, NJ 1992 and 1994).

Further detailed information is available at <http://www.unizh.ch/wsf>

Printed documentation as well as the applications form may be ordered at the following address: World Society Foundation, c/o Sociological Institute, University of Zurich, Rämistr. 69, 8001 Zurich, Switzerland, fax 41-1-6344927

Calendar of Future Events

For more details on the conferences organized by the ISA Research Committees, Working and Thematic Groups, see ISA web site at: <http://www.ucm.es/info/isa>

January 6-9, 1999

II International Congress on Electronic Media and Citizenship in Information Society: Politics & Internet

Place: Tampere, Finland

The congress welcomes the participation of decision makers from all levels of politics and public sector, researchers in political and social science and information and communication technology, NGOs and representatives of commerce and industry as well as members of the public.

Information:

<http://www.dipoli.hut.fi/pi99/>
CongCreator CC, PO Box 762,
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Tel. 358 9 440 882, Fax: +358 9 492 810
secretariat@concreator.com

February 18-21, 1999

International Sunbelt Social Network Conference

Place: Charleston, South Carolina, USA

The ISSN Conference is a major forum for social scientists, mathematicians, computer scientists, and all others interested in social networks. The conference provides an opportunity for individuals interested in theory, methods, or applications of social networks to share ideas and common concerns. If you wish to organize a session, contact the organizers at the addresses below. To submit a paper, send an abstract of no more than 200 words by email or in an ASCII file on diskette for DOS platforms and a hard copy to one of the organizers no later than *December 15, 1998*.

Program Coordinators: John SKVORETZ,
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Information will be updated regularly at the INSNA web site:

<http://www.heinz.cmu.edu/project/INSNA/>

April 6-9, 1999

British Sociological Association Annual Conference

Place: University of Glasgow, UK

Theme: For Sociology

Information: 1999 Conference, BSA, Unit 3F/G, Mountjoy Research Centre, Stockton Road, Durham, DH1 3UR, UK, tel: 44-191-3830839, fax: 44-191-3830782,
Email: britsoc@dial.pipex.com.

May 26-29, 1999

Public and Private Sector Partnership: Furthering Development

Place: University College Cork, Ireland

The overall aim of this Conference is to bring together professionals and academics working in the area of or with an interest in Partnership for Business Development. Proposals for paper presentations, based on concluded or ongoing research, case-studies, working-papers and/or review papers, and PhD/MPhil research progress, shall be submitted by *February 15, 1999* to either Luiz MONTANHEIRO, Sheffield Business School, Policy Research Centre, Stoddart Bldg, Sheffield S1 1WB, UK, Email: l.c.montanheiro@shu.ac.uk or Margaret LINEHAN, National Univ, Strategic Learning Research Programme, University College Cork, Ireland,
Email: m.linehan@ucc.ie

June 14-20, 1999

Seminar on Migrant and Ethnic Minority

Families

Place: Berlin, Germany

The XXXVIth Seminar of the Committee for Family Research (RC 06) of the International Sociological Association is dedicated to the investigation of migrant and ethnic minority families.

The scope of the seminar includes migration-related themes like the change of family structures, intergenerational relationships in migration processes, the influence of families on migration decisions, on culture contact and on the process of incorporation in the receiving societies kinship and family patterns in transnational action spaces, and minority-related themes like maintenance of cultural diversity and ethnicity in intergenerational relationships, socialization and social placement in minority situations, effects of group inequality, discrimination and distance to the majority culture on families, the role of families in ethnic business, effects of family policies on migrant and minority families. Especially welcome are papers on migrant and minority families in a comparative perspective and with regard to migrants and minorities in non-western societies. It is planned to edit a book, based on selected contributions to the seminar. Seminar language will be English.

Members of the RC06 as well as non-members are invited to participate in the seminar and to send their proposals (approximately 2 pp.) preferably until December 31, 1998, but not later than March 31, 1999. Proposals suitable to the thematic scope of the seminar will be accepted on the basis of "first come, first serve".

The seminar is restricted to 40 participants. Seminar attendance will be approved after acceptance of the proposal and the full payment of the seminar fees in advance. The seminar fees (USD 800 per person for RC06 members and their accompanying persons, USD 860 for non-members) will include full boarding and lodging, a sightseeing tour of Berlin.

Please direct all correspondence to the organizer:

Prof. Dr. Bernhard Nauck, Department of Sociology, Chemnitz University of Technology, Reichenhainer Str. 41, D-09107 Chemnitz, Germany, Tel 49-371-5312402, Fax 49- 371-531 2387
mail: Bernhard.Nauck@phil.tu-chemnitz.de

June 16-18, 1999

4th ASEAN Inter-University Seminar on Social Development

Place: Pattani, Thailand

Set up in 1993, the ASEAN Inter-University Seminar series aims to promote common pursuits in exploring social issues in the ASEAN countries.

Theme: *Southeast Asia into the 21st Century: Critical Transitions, Continuity and Change*. Panels will be organized based on the following sub-topics: Rural and Urban Poverty and Inequality; Industrialisation and Labour Regimes; Families Strategies and Survival in SE Asia; Gender, Economy and Politics; Security & Strategic Relations in SE Asia; The Local and the Regional in Development; Science, Technology and Society; Globalisation, Crisis and Local Response; Values and Myths: Ancient and Modern; Environment and Society. Papers (in English) and suggestions for the organization of panels are welcomed. Send an abstract of less than 250 words by *March 30, 1999*.

Information: ASEAN Seminar Secretariat, Dept Sociology, National Univ Singapore, 10 Kent Ridge Crescent, Singapore 119260, Fax: 65-7779579, Tel: 65-874-6408

June 26 - July 1, 1999

World Conference of Science

Place: Budapest

Theme: *Science for the Twenty-First Century. A New Commitment*. Jointly organized by UNESCO and International Council for Science (ICSU), the conference will analyse where the natural sciences stand today and where they are heading, what their social impact has been and what society expects from them. Finally, it will establish what efforts need to be made to make science advance in response to these expectations and to the challenges posed by human and social development. Information: Secretariat World Conference of Science, UNESCO, 7 place de Fontenoy, 75352 Paris, France, Fax: 33-1-45685823, Email: confsci@unesco.org

July 7-10, 1999

International Symposium on Society and Resource Management

Place: Brisbane, Australia

The conference will provide an interdisciplinary forum where professionals and practitioners gather to discuss the ways social, cultural, economic and environmental resource management issues can be integrated. Dialogue is expected to: increase understanding of social and cultural aspects of natural resource management issues; improve decision-making in natural resource management; enhance public participation and democratic processes in natural resource decision making and programs; examine how institutional arrangements and objectives facilitate and constrain linkages between social scientists and natural resource managers.

Geoff Lawrence (g.lawrence@cqu.edu.au) and Vaughan Higgins form Institute for Sustainable Regional Development, Central Queensland University, organise the Rural Sociology and Political Economy Section of the symposium. Scholars interested to present a paper in that section, please contact the organizers by Email with a proposed paper title. Suggestions for panel topics are welcomed.

For more information see

<http://www.geosp.uq.edu.au/issrm99>

July 11-15, 1999

34th World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology

Place: Tel Aviv, Israel

The theme of the Conference, *Multiple Modernities in an Era of Globalization*, addresses one of the central intellectual and scientific challenges that bridge between this century and the next one: our understanding of the convergence and divergence of culture, identities and social structures in an era of intensifying relations among societies.

Information: IIS Congress Secretariat, Ortra Ltd., Nirim 1 St., POB 9352, Tel Aviv 61092, Israel, tel: 972-3-6384444, fax: 972-3-6384455,

Email: iis@ortra.co.il

On the occasion of the IIS Congress the below ISA Research Committees will held their seminars:

RC10 Research Committee on Participation and Self-Management

Interim Seminar on Challenges Confronting Participation and Organizational Democracy in an Era of Globalization

Information: Michal PALGI, Kibbutz Research Inst, Univ Haifa, 31905 Haifa, Israel, tel: 972-4-8240418, fax: 972-4-8240409, Email: palgi@research.haifa.ac.il

RC17 Research Committee on Sociology of Organization

Theme: Organizational Adaptation to Globalization

Session organized in conjunction with the participation of the RC17, Sociology of Organization.

Deadline for submission of titles and presenters is: November 30, 1998.

Deadline for submission of Abstracts is: February 15, 1999.

Please address proposals and/or inquiries to the session's organizer:

Prof. Yitzhak Samuel

Chair, Department of Sociology & Anthropology

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Tel: 972-4-82-49-646

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RC18 Research Committee on Political Sociology

Theme: Multiple Modernities in an Era of Globalization

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Email: david.farrell@man.ac.uk

RC36 Research Committee on Alienation Theory and Research

Interim Regional Seminar on Researching Alienation in the Light of Globalization

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July 18 - 21, 1999

International Society for Political Psychology

XXII Annual Scientific meeting

Place: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

For complete information see web site: <http://ispp.org/>

or contact: Sam McFarland, Program Chair Dept Psychology, Western Kentucky Univ, Bowling Green, KY 42103, USA

Email: sam.mcfarland@wku.edu, tel: 1-502-745-4408

August 4-8, 1999

62ND Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society

Empowering Communities: Revisiting Democracy and Globalization.

Place: Chigaco, Illinois, USA.

Program participation: By February 1, 1999 send proposals for panels and sessions, and abstracts for poster and papers to Carolyn Sachs, 1999 RSS Program Chair, Dept of Ag Econ/Rural Sociology, Penn State Univ, University Park, PA 16802, USA, fax: 1-814-8653746, csachs@psu.edu

General Information:

website: www.missouri.edu/~rss/

email: ruralsoc@cc.wvu.edu

August 18-20, 1999

Citizenship and Public Administration at the Information Age: Constructing Citizen-Oriented Society for the Future

Place: University of Tampere, Finland

The purpose of this conference is to discuss, in a multinational and multidisciplinary context, the role of citizens and public administration in the emerging information society.

Information: Matti MALKIA, Dept Administrative Sciences, Univ Tampere, POB 607, 33101 Tampere, Finland, email: malkia@uta.fi, Fax: 358-3-215-6020, Tel: 358-3-215-6362,

<http://www.uta.fi/laitokset/hallinto/1999-IS-conference>

August 18-21, 1999

4th European Conference of Sociology

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