The international conference “The Challenges of Social Transformations” took place in Piran, Slovenia, 25th-27th of September 2014. It was organized by the support of UNESCO MOST programme, the Junior Sociologists Network of the International Sociological Association, and EU financed MMWD project along with the School of Advanced Social Studies.

The main topic of the conference was in exploring the different types of transformations. These include a wide range of political, economic and cultural dimensions that can be observed from the macro level of social systems and structural changes to the micro levels of varieties of aspects of individuals’ lives. The frames of the transformations were not limited to the European space and covered a broader understanding of European culture with the possibility of inclusion of the issues dealing with the transformations in Post-Soviet countries, Western Balkans and the Middle East. The main aspect of the selection criteria were the quality of the text and the relevance to the transformations issues.

During three days of the conference more than forty scholars have presented the results of their scientific works. The conference had united scholars from different part of the world. There were representatives from Eastern, Central and Western Europe, USA, South Korea and India.

In addition to the rich program, the Multi-Workshop on Making Migrations Work for Development (MMWD Project) has been organized. The video recording of the workshop presentations is available online.

After the conference, participants have sent their articles for publishing in the journal Research in Social Change. The selected numbers of articles were chosen by the editorial commission for being published in the book: Late Modernity in Transformation: Migrations, Culture and Economics.