

# Newsletter

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## Editorial

Dear colleagues:

The Second ISA Forum held in Buenos Aires (Argentina) past August has been a great success. For those of you who could not be there, I hope you can get a sense of the quality of the debates and discussions which took in our RC47 sessions, in this brief Newsletter. The next important collective effort will be the organisation of the ISA World Congress in Yokohama (Japan) in July 2014. Our RC47 colleagues Prof. Shujiro Yazawa and Prof. Dai Nomiya are deeply involved in the organisation of this critical global event, giving our RC an opportunity to contribute to the organisation of the World Congress. We warmly welcome you to participate in this cooperative endeavour and help us organise panels, presentations and thematic, integrative and working sessions.

This issue of our newsletter continues the effort to circulate information on RC47 activities. It is divided into three sections: *message from Japan, ISA Forum of Buenos Aires and Conference reports*. Firstly, Dai Nomiya explains the efforts that the Japanese Organising Committee is doing in order to facilitate the participation of RC47 members in the next ISA World Congress of Sociology. Secondly, we highlight briefly the main sessions and discussions in Buenos Aires within our RC and present the treasury report of RC47 to Forum and RC47 business meeting. Finally, among the conference session, we share in this issue the Conference report of the 'South-South Forum: coloniality of power and social sciences'. This was a event associated with the ISA Forum of Buenos Aires with the aim of strengthening critical social sciences in the Global South, in which Breno Bringel has participated as a representative of RC47 in its organizing committee.

You are all invited to follow all updates about the ISA World Congress as well as our RC47 initiatives (conferences, books, call for papers and much more) on our website: [www.isarc47.org](http://www.isarc47.org). In addition, you are all invited to renew your RC47 membership and encourage your colleagues interested in questions of collective action and social movements to join us.

**Antimo Farro** (RC-47 President)

**Breno Bringel** (RC-47 Board Member and Newsletter Editor)

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## 1. MESSAGE FROM JAPAN

Dear RC-47 colleagues:

The ISA and the Japanese Sociological Society, organizers of the ISA 2014 World Congress of Sociology, have signed a contract in August, 2012. With this budgetary settlement, the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) in Japan is ready to move on to the next stage to prepare for the 2014 convention.

All RC-47 members from Japan are ready to work to accommodate the needs of the other RC 47 members who plan to come attend the Japan convention. Some of the tasks we will work on are:

- To make the travel as gentle as possible for foreign visitors, such as locating reasonable accommodations and restaurants.
- To enhance opportunities for an academic exchange between Asian scholars and scholars coming from other countries.
- To locate easy-access exploration opportunities with reasonable rates, such as short trips and day visits, for visitors who have not been exposed to Japanese culture and cultural heritages.

We plan to set up a new website for RC47 members, so that scholars residing outside of Japan have an easy access to all the above information prior to the trip. We will announce the website when it is done.

We hope to see all of you in 2014, Japan.

Dai Nomiya

RC-47 Board Member  
Member of the Local Organising Committee, ISA World Congress of Sociology (Japan, 2014)

## 2. SECOND ISA FORUM OF SOCIOLOGY



The Second ISA Forum of Sociology was devoted to "Social Justice and Democratization" and took place at the University of Buenos Aires in August 1-4, 2012. With a participation of 3592 persons, the Forum was a lively space for a global dialogue about transformative change. In fact, the discussion of collective action and social movements was central both at specific Research Committees and at the Plenary Sessions and Open Forum. For those who could not come to Buenos Aires, you can access the Plenary Sessions and Open Forums videos here: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/buenos-aires-2012/forum2012-videos.htm>

The full programme book of the Forum can also be downloaded here:

<http://www.isa-sociology.org/buenos-aires-2012/isa-forum2012-programme-book.pdf>

RC47 has organized 14 sessions within the main theme "Subjective affirmation, social movement changes and construction of democracy". Under the coordination of Antimo Farro and Maria da Glória Gohn RC47 programme included theoretical and more empirical discussions on social movement theories, globalization, transnational and global contestation, cosmopolitanism, conflicts, democracy, violence and the consequences of social movements. Different experiences and types of actions, mobilizations and movements were discussed, including: global social movements, cultural movements, anti-nuclear movements, urban movements, feminists, international solidarity networks, inter-subjectivity and belonging experiences, internet activism and movements 2.0 and so on. Finally, in terms of geographical focus we had two specific sessions about Latin America, one dedicated to Japan and another one to Asia more broadly. Experiences of Europe, North America and the Arab world were also presented in the sessions, enabling a globally oriented discussion, perhaps with the only exception of Sub-Saharan Africa.

### **Session 1. New Trends and Theoretical Approach in the Field of Social Mobilizations and Social Change**

*Wednesday, August 1, 2012: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM*

(Joint session with RC48 Social Movements, Collective Actions and Social Change)

Session Organizer: *Benjamín TEJERINA, University of the Basque Country, Spain*

[Emergence of a global social movement: World says no to inequality](#)

*Simin FADAAE, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany*

[Distributive grievances and socio-political blockages: The role of middle-class youth in the Israeli social protest movement](#)

*Zeev ROSENHEK, The Open University of Israel, Israel; Michael SHALEV, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel*

[21st-century collective movements](#)

*Antimo Luigi FARRO, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy*

[Globalization and social movements in the last decade: De-coupling internationalization and institutionalization?](#)

*Geoffrey PLEYERS, FNRS/UC Louvain & CADIS/EHESS, Belgium*

[State violence against protesters in Turkey](#) (Distributed Paper)

*Esin ILERI, EHESS – CADIS, France*

[Seeking for social change, struggling for culture: Collaborative creation as political action and moral orders in the case of free culture movement](#) (Distributed Paper)

*Elisenda ARDÈVOL, Internet Interdisciplinary Institute, Spain; Débora LANZENI, Internet Interdisciplinary Institute, Spain*

[Articulations among collective actions](#) (Distributed Paper)

*Graciela DI MARCO, Center of Studies on Democratization and Human Rights (CEDEHU). Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Argentina*

## Session 2. Bridging sociologies. Globalisation, cosmopolitanism and the individual

Wednesday, August 1, 2012: 10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Session Organizer: *Henri LUSTIGER THALER, Ramapo College, USA*

[The expression of memory as politics: An insight from recent mobilizations in Chile \(2005-2011\)](#)

*Marie-Christine DORAN, University of Ottawa, Canada*

[Getting a job \(but not anywhere\). job opportunities as one of the major determinants of the intrametropolitan migration flows in metropolitan area of campinas](#)

*Tiago CUNHA, Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP) – State University of Campinas, Brazil; Silvana QUEIROZ, Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP) – State University of Campinas, Brazil*

[Social justice and the centralisation of governance in the Australian metropolis; A case study of melbourne](#)

*Marcus SPILLER, SGS Economics & Planning Pty Ltd, Australia*

[New concepts of belonging in a globalized world](#)

**Eva YOUKHANA**, *University of Bonn, Germany*

[Dispositivos, sentidos y mecanismos causales de la acción colectiva contestatária](#)

**Gerson OLIVEIRA**, *Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil*

**Session 3. Anti-nuclear movements after Fukushima disaster**

*Wednesday, August 1, 2012: 12:30 PM-2:00 PM*

Session Organizer: *Shujiro YAZAWA, Seijo University, Japan*

Chair: *Seung Kuk KIM, Pusan National University, South Korea*

[Thoughts and actions of social movements concerning the nuclear in Japan](#)

**Shujiro YAZAWA**, *Seijo University, Japan*

[Transformation of the antinuclear drive in post-war Japan](#)

**Daishiro NOMIYA**, *Sophia University, Japan*

[Anti-nuclear activism in Tokyo after 3.11](#) (Oral Presentation)

**Yuko HIRABAYASHI**, *Tsuru University, Japan*

[Actors/movements around nuclear energy and radioactive contamination after 3.11 Fukushima in Japan: From the sociology of action](#)

**Eiji HAMANISHI**, *Notre Dame Seishin University, Japan*

**Session 4. Conflicts, social movements and democracy in the global era**

*Wednesday, August 1, 2012: 2:30 PM-4:00 PM*

Session Organizer: *Yvon LE BOT, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, France*

Chair: *Fernando CALDERON, Fundación UNIR, Bolivia, Marie-Christine DORAN, University of Ottawa, Canada*

[Social mobilization in the Arab world and democratization](#)

**Susana MANGANA**, *Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Uruguay*

[State repression and collective action](#)

**Fernanda PAGE POMA**, *SUNY Stony Brook, USA*

[World-historical structure and dynamics of protest waves on the global south, 1894–2010](#)

**Chungse JUNG**, *Binghamton University, SUNY, USA*

[Urban development and modernity unfinished: A reading of the phenomenon of lynching in Brazilian society, based on the work of José de Souza Martins](#)

**Isabel MARTINS**, Programa de Pós-Graduação em Ciências Sociais da Universidade Federal de Pelotas – Brasil, Brazil

[A experiência da tradução cultural nas redes transnacionais de movimentos sociais](#)

**Antonio Cesar Machado SILVA**, Universidade Federal de Sergipe, Brazil

## Session 5. Latin American social movements and social justice in the Global South

Thursday, August 2, 2012: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM

Chair: **Emilio TADDEI**, Universidad de Buenos Aires, UBA., Argentina

[Sociology, colonialism and social practices in Latin America](#)

**Paulo Henrique Martins MARTINS DE ALBUQUERQUE**, Guilherme Martins e Maria Idelvita Martins, Brazil

[Sociology of Latin-American movements: Practices and theories](#)

**Maria da Glória GOHN**, Universidad Estatal de Campinas, Brazil

[Democratizing the Brazilian public sphere: New dynamics in the relationship between the state and black social movements](#)

**Angela PAIVA**, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro- PUC Rio, Brazil

[Pink public transit in Mexico City: Evaluating women-only transportation as a feminist movement](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Amy GRAGLIA**, SUNY Stony Brook, USA

[Responsabilidad como justicia: espacios de los movimientos sociales en democracias emergentes](#)

**Céli Regina JARDIM PINTO**, UFRGS, Brazil

[Contra-hegemonic social movements and the international cooperation for development in Latin America](#)

**Flávia LESSA DE BARROS**, University of Brasília, Brazil

## Session 6. ¿Repolitización de las movilizaciones sociales en América Latina?

Thursday, August 2, 2012: 10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Chair: **Maria da Glória GOHN**, Universidad Estatal de Campinas, Brazil

[Los sentidos de la exclusión en América Latina](#)

**Luiz CASTRO-SANTOS**, Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro – UERJ, Brazil

[La conflictualidad en america Latina](#)

**Fernando CALDERON**, *Fundación UNIR, Bolivia*

[Rural EDUCATION movement, tensions in the struggle for a SOCIAL right and the signs of PUBLIC POLICIES](#)

**Maria Antônia de SOUZA**, *Universidade Tuiuti do Paraná, Brazil*

[Traveling resistance: From Egypt to Chile through Israel and Spain](#)

**Lev GRINBERG**, *ben gurion university, Israel*

[Participacion de las organizaciones de la sociedad civil en el proceso de democratizacion en córdoba, Argentina periodo 1983/ 2010](#)

**Nilda Ines TORCIGLIANI**, *Universidad Nacional de Córdoba – Escuela de Trabajo Social, Argentina*

[Globalismo, individualización y clase media](#)

**Loza JESUS**, *Universiad de Guadalajara, Mexico*

[Polifonías urbanas. complejización de las formas ejercicio de la política territorial en el marco de la instalación de los movimientos de trabajadores desocupados \(GBA- Argentina\)](#)

**María MANEIRO**, *CONICET-UBA / CEL- UNSAM, Argentina*

**Session 7. Forms of social justice: Localism and globalism in Asian context**

*Thursday, August 2, 2012: 12:30 PM-2:00 PM*

Chair: *Daishiro NOMIYA, Sophia University, Japan*

[Why are the citizens of pusan so silent?](#)

**Seung Kuk KIM**, *Pusan National University, South Korea*; **Jung Rae CHO**, *Pusan National University, South Korea*

[El movimiento de solidaridad al pueblo latinoamericano en japon](#)

**Tasuku SASAKI**, *Universidad de Kioto, Japan*

[Frame convergence into social justice: The korean engagement into transnational food sovereignty movements](#)

**Suk-Ki KONG**, *Seoul National University, South Korea*; **Hyun-Chin LIM**, *Seoul National University, South Korea*

[Japanese student movements in the global 1960s: Encounter of the local context and the transnational context](#)

**Ryoko KOSUGI**, *Harvard-Yenching Institute, USA*

[Effects in local areas of global justice movement: Anti-G8 protests in Japan, okinawa in 2000 and hokkaido in 2008](#)

**Kyoko TOMINAGA**, *The University of Tokyo, Japan*



## Session 8. Urban movements in the new metropolitan context

Thursday, August 2, 2012: 2:30 PM-4:00 PM

(Joint session with RC21 - Regional and Urban Development)

Session Organizer: *Fernando DIAZ ORUETA, Universidad de La Rioja, Spain*

Chair: *Pierre HAMEL, University of Montreal, Canada*

[Peripheral tactics, materialization and the politics of the 'future city' in rosario](#)

**Dr. Leandro MINUCHIN**, *University of Manchester, United Kingdom*

[Marginal urban claims to the city in emerging versus peripheral economies](#)

**Maria Cristina CIELO**, *Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, Ecuador*

[Squat the squares, occupy the buildings](#)

**Miguel A. MARTÍNEZ**, *Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain*; **Angela GARCÍA**, *Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain*

[The struggle against "stuttgart 21" old wine in new bottles or a novel form of civil protest?](#)

**Johannes NOVY**, *Technical University Berlin, Germany*

[Movilizaciones urbanas populares en el Santiago de Chile actual: ¿Hacia una metrópolis más justa y democrática?](#)

**Nicolás VERGARA**, *independent researcher, Chile*

[Graffiti as a social struggle for recognition: A comparative perspective between rio de janeiro and berlin](#)

**Tereza VENTURA**, *State University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

[Stuttgart 21 and the paradox of direct democracy](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Frank ECKARDT**, *Bauhaus-Universität Weimar, Germany*

[Social movements, urban reforms and participation: A comparison between marseilles and montreal](#)(Distributed Paper)

**Caroline PATSIAS**, *Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada*; **Sylvie PATSIAS**, *Institut d'études politiques d'Aix-en-Provence, France*

[Urban movements in istanbul: From local to global, from global to local](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Nezihe Basak ERGIN**, *Girseun University, Turkey*

[La modificación del espacio urbano: Praxis de lucha de los movimientos sociales](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Cristina REYNALS**, *Investigadora, Argentina*; **Roxana CRUDI**, *Investigadora, Argentina*; **Alessio SURIAN**, *Investigador, Italy*; **Juan FERENAZ**, *Investigador, Argentina*

[Artist movements to legalize loft living in soho in the 1960s and 1970s](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Hideaki SASAJIMA**, *Osaka City University, Japan*

["Origen, historia y preocupaciones de los movimientos socio-ambientales en sergipe"](#) (Distributed Paper)

**Matheus Pereira Mattosfeizola FELIZOLA**, UFS- UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DE SERGIPE E UFRN- UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DO RIO GRANDE DO NORTE, Brazil; **Fernando Bastos BASTOS**, UFRN- UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DO RIO GRANDE DO NORTE, Brazil

### **Session 9. When, where, and how do movements matter? Consequences of social movements**

Thursday, August 2, 2012: 4:15 PM-5:45 PM

Session Organizer: *Larry ISAAC, Vanderbilt University, USA*

[Does protest work? contentious collective action and social spending in latin america, 1970-2008](#)

*Barbara ZARATE, Oxford University, United Kingdom*

[Outcomes of US union mobilization for workplace leave in California and Pennsylvania](#)

*Cassandra ENGEMAN, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA*

[The conditions and the consequences of the movement demanding the civil society institutions: The case of NPO law in Japan](#)

*Shun HARADA, The University of Tokyo, Japan*

[La tríada de la política urbana de conciliación de clases en Brasil](#)

### **Session 10. Social Movement 2.0**

Friday, August 3, 2012: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM

Chair: *Antimo Luigi FARRO, Università di Roma La Sapienza , Italy*

[Indignados and occupiers: A reactive, creative and democratic movement](#)

*Geoffrey PLEYERS, FNRS/UC Louvain & CADIS/EHESS, Belgium*

[Contribution to the theory of social movements on the internet](#)

*Mariana GIORGETTI VALENTE, USP, Brazil*

[Re-visiting mannheim: Memory, global collective action and inter-subjectivity](#)

*Henri LUSTIGER THALER, Ramapo College, USA*

[Spreading the word: Collective action and networking in a web 2.0 driven generation](#)

*Sandra RODRIGUEZ, University of Montreal, Canada*

## Session 11. Authors meets actors: Dialogues between academia and Latin American social movements

Friday, August 3, 2012: 10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Chair: Manuel Antonio GARRETON, University of Chile, Chile

### [Educación, formación política e internacionalismo en los movimientos sociales rurales latinoamericanos contemporáneos](#)

**Flavia BRAGA VIEIRA**, Universidad Federal Rural de Río de Janeiro, Brazil; **Breno BRINGEL**, Instituto de Estudos Sociais y Políticos – Universidad Estatal de Río de Janeiro (IESP-UERJ), Brazil

### [Nuevos actores en el movimiento por los derechos de los adolescentes en são paulo: La cooptación, el corporativismo, la institucionalización – una confrontación entre las evaluaciones académicas y de los propios activistas](#)

**Maria do Carmo ALBUQUERQUE**, Universidade Bandeirante, Brazil

### [Urban composition – artists, publics and social-spatial transformation](#)

**Andrea PHILLIPS**, Goldsmiths, University of London, United Kingdom; **Fulya ERDEMCI**, SKOR Foundation for Art and Public Domain, Netherlands

### [Neoliberal policies, HIV-related vulnerability and AIDS activism in Mexico](#)

**Hector Eloy RIVAS SANCHEZ**, PhD Student, Canada

### [La experiencia de acción colectiva en la vila acaba mundo: Una reflexión sobre la construcción de conocimiento](#)

**Renata VARELLA**, IESP-UERJ, Brazil

## Session 12. Radical movements examine a political and social order

Friday, August 3, 2012: 12:30 PM-2:00 PM

Chair: Antimo Luigi FARRO, Università Roma Sapienza, Italy, Silvana QUEIROZ, Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP) – State University of Campinas, Brazil

### [Building popular-democratic alternatives in latin america: A comparative analysis of post-neoliberal movements in Venezuela and Argentina](#)

**Efe Can GURCAN**, Simon Fraser University, Canada

### [Forms of the european spring: The no tav movement](#)

**Raffaele SCIORTINO**, State University Milan, Italy; **Emiliana ARMANO**, State University Milan, Italy

### [1968 and the modernity's crisis: The brazilian student s movement as a new “social actor”](#)

**Aline Michelle Nascimento AUGUSTINHO**, Universidade Estadual Paulista “Júlio de Mesquita Filho”, Brazil; **Roberta CAVA**, UFSCAR, Brazil

### [Black Social Movements. Colombia and Brazil](#)

**Cristiano RODRIGUES**, IESP – UERJ , Brazil

### Session 13. Civil society against violence

Friday, August 3, 2012: 2:30 PM-4:00 PM

Chair: *Hyun-Chin LIM, Seoul National University, South Korea, Suk-Ki KONG, Seoul National University, South Korea*

#### [Comparing \(In\)security in public spaces](#)

*Sophie BODY-GENDROT, University Paris-Sorbonne, France*

#### [Enclaves del poder sub-nacional y procesos de democratización en medellín, santa cruz y guayaquil](#)

*Verónica SILVA REINOSO, UNAM, LOS ANDES, Mexico; Cristina PINEDA ECHEVERRI, UNIVERSIDAD DE LOS ANDES, Colombia*

#### [La razón de la violencia. un análisis de la revista cristianismo y revolución en la Argentina de los años sesenta y setenta](#)

*Daniela SLIPAK, Universidad Nacional de San Martín/Ecole des Hautes Etudes/Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina*

#### [Post cold war civil society mobilization in Colombia](#)

*Louis ESPARZA, California State University, Los Angeles, USA*

### 14) Climate justice, 'buen vivir' and voluntary simplicity: New lifestyles and political commitments

Saturday, August 4, 2012: 10:45 AM-12:15 PM

(Joint session with RC24 Environment and Society)

Chairs: *Maria da Glória GOHN, Universidad Estatal de Campinas, Brazil and Geoffrey PLEYERS, FNRS/UC Louvain & CADIS/EHESS, Belgium*

#### [Operationalizing climate change reflexivity: New insights into social response](#)

*Debra DAVIDSON, University of Alberta, Canada; Rich STEDMAN, Cornell University, USA*

#### [Movimientos sociales y bienes comunes naturales](#)

*José SEOANE, Universidad de Buenos Aires UBA, Argentina; Emilio TADDEI, Universidad de Buenos Aires, UBA., Argentina; Clara ALGRANATI, Universidad de Buenos Aires UBA, Argentina*

#### [Construyendo alternativas, negociando significados: Luchas por el \(anti\)desarrollo y traducción en el activismo transnacional](#)

*Breno BRINGEL, Instituto de Estudos Sociais y Políticos – Universidad Estatal de Río de Janeiro (IESP-UERJ), Brazil*

### RC47 Business Meeting

On Saturday, August 4, we celebrated our Business Meeting with the participation of the following RC-47 board members: Antimo Farro, Maria da Glória Gohn, Breno Bringel, Geoffrey Pleyers, Dai Nomiya, Eiji Hamanishi and Shujiro Yazawa. Due to low presence of RC47 members, the discussion was limited to reports of the President and the Secretary and a brief debate on the future agenda of our RC during the next two years, with special emphasis on the next world congress in Japan.

Eiji Hamanishi reported RC47 membership in good standing (111 in August 2012) and the budget account as follows:

- July 2010: 2,130 euro (from ex treasure: Prof. Hamel)
- August, 2012: 1,790 euro (-320 euro: seminar on Radical Youth in Paris 20-21 October, 2011)

### 3. SOUTH-SOUTH FORUM COLONIALITY OF POWER AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

El día 6 de agosto de 2012 se celebró en la Facultad de Ciencias Sociales de la Universidad de Buenos Aires (UBA) el Foro Sur-Sur como evento asociado al II Fórum ISA de Sociología 2012. Auspiciada por la Asociación Argentina de Sociología (AAS), el Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO), el Forum Universitario Mercosur (FoMerco), la Asociación Latinoamericana de Sociología (ALAS) y la Asociación Centroamericana de Sociología (ACAS), la jornada estuvo dividida en tres partes: i) un mesa de apertura formada por autoridades de la facultad de Ciencias Sociales de la UBA, Alberto Bialakowsky, Alicia Palermo, Silvia Lago, Paulo Henrique Martins y Breno Bringel, en la que se contextualizó los orígenes del Foro, sus objetivos y su relevancia; ii) intervenciones breves de los siguientes ponentes invitados: Mona Abaza (Egipto), José Mauricio Domingues (Brasil), Herminia Foo Kong (México), Eduardo Gruner (Argentina), Nora Garita (Costa Rica), Arnaldo Antunes (Brasil); iii) debate abierto y plenaria final.

En sus intervenciones los ponentes invitados llamaron la atención a distintos elementos de importancia fundamental para el avance del debate Sur-Sur. Tuvieron especial destaque los siguientes interrogantes y ejes de discusión:

- la importancia de delimitar una agenda de investigación común a partir de problemáticas convergentes para las ciencias sociales de los países del Sur;
- la transferencia e intercambio de conocimiento para los procesos de transformación social;
- el uso estratégico de las redes sociales y la creación/potenciación de redes colaborativas;
- la necesidad de avanzar en la discusión de qué teoría crítica se puede producir desde el Sur;
- la delimitación de ciertas premisas para tejer un diálogo crítico entre diferentes tradiciones sociológicas e intelectuales para garantizar la pluralidad y la autonomía intelectual hacia una sociología global no-eurocéntrica;
- la recuperación y la actualización del legado crítico de la reflexión social y política producida para interpretar y transformar la realidad;
- la rearticulación en el escenario contemporáneo de teoría y praxis; la ruptura con la colonialidad del poder y del saber;
- el cuestionamiento del modelo productivista y de la burocratización y tecnificación de la actividad intelectual en marcha en muchos de nuestros países;
- la realización de un análisis más sistemático de la actual crisis estructural del capitalismo y sus consecuencias en los países del Sur Global.

Tras un breve receso, en la siguiente sesión del Foro Sur-Sur se abrió una discusión entre todos los presentes (aproximadamente unas 70 personas provenientes de diferentes países de América Latina y el Caribe, además de Egipto, Estados Unidos y algunos países de Europa). Dicho debate trajo a colación nuevas inquietaciones y perspectivas para la generación de nuevas prácticas académicas de integración intelectual Sur-Sur. Se pueden destacar aquí, a modo de síntesis, los siguientes ejes privilegiados de discusión:

- el lugar del Norte en el diálogo Sur-Sur y la imposibilidad de generar una crítica

desde el Sur sin mirar hacia el Norte;

- las múltiples posibilidades de definir el Sur y la importancia de tener en cuenta tanto nociones afines (periferia, subalternidad, suburbio, etc.) como la heterogenidad y las asimetrías dentro del Sur.

- la formulación de interpretaciones teóricas que sepan capaces de captar las novedades y transformaciones de la sociedad actual, incluyendo el potencial emancipatorio de las redes y movimientos sociales;

- la distribución del poder dentro y fuera de la universidad;

- la necesidad de repensar las relaciones con los colegas, pero también con los estudiantes, incluyendo los aspectos pedagógicos a la hora de construir horizontalmente y colectivamente el conocimiento;

- la lengua y el lenguaje como barrera o potencial para la articulación del Sur Global a la hora de comunicarse con otras realidades, potenciar sinergias y generar intelegibilidad, relacionar lo fragmentado y visibilizar lo invisibilizado.

- el papel de la universidad, su función social y la crítica a la mercantilización del conocimiento y de la educación

- el compromiso con los actores sociales y con la defensa de lo público;

Finalmente, cabe subrayar que se propusieron diferentes salidas iniciales a cada uno de estos ejes de discusión, pero fundamentalmente se avanzó en un diagnóstico de temas y desafíos estructurantes de carácter teórico, metodológico, epistémico/epistemológico y político. Asimismo, se resaltaron, a modo de debate final, una serie de desafíos prácticos centrales para la articulación del potencial crítico del Sur Global que sirven como guión para las actividades futuras de esta iniciativa más allá de este primer encuentro realizado en Buenos Aires, a saber: la necesidad de acercarse a Asia y África y de crear mecanismos y dispositivos que permitan entablar un diálogo Sur-Sur; la potenciación de iniciativas ya existentes y la generación de nuevos espacios de convergencia, a los cuales el Foro Sur-Sur pretende seguir contribuyendo tras este primer impulso. De este modo, más que un evento, el Foro debe ser visto como un espacio en movimiento, una asamblea intelectual, para aunar puntos de reclamo y lucha; producción y difusión de conocimiento; y generación de puntos de encuentro y de debate para la participación intelectual, universitaria, pública y social en temas relevantes para diferentes realidades del Sur. Sin desechar otras posibilidades, se entiende que un buen principio sería institucionalizar el Foro Sur-Sur como foro permanente de discusión, con reuniones presenciales a celebrarse de forma paralela a los Congresos de la Asociación Internacional de Sociología y, en su caso, de otras asociaciones regionales y subregionales de África, Asia y América Latina.

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