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XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology

Facing an Unequal World: Challenges for Global Sociology

Yokohama, Japan

13–19 July 2014

The call for proposals for the 2014 congress in Yokohama is now official and the deadline has been posted on our ISA website:

<http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2014/rc/rc.php?n=WG02>

As you will see, WG02 is entitled to 14 sessions (including the business meeting). Submissions should include the following information:

- 1 Title of the session
2. Format of the session (select from the following):
 - Paper presentation session – four-five 20 minute presentations
 - Featured or Keynote Speaker
 - Round Table – a larger number of shorter interventions on a specific theme
 - Joint session – identifying the other participating RC
 - Author meets critics – a debate around an important recent publication that could be presented by the author(s), with commentators and open discussion
 - Other formats – workshop, book presentation etc.
- 3 A 250-word description of the session
- 4 Language(s) of the session
- 5 Full name, affiliation, and contact details of the session organizer(s) and/or session chair(s), if different.

Additionally, WG02 is participating in the submission of integrative session proposals for a joint session with RC08 History of Sociology and RC35 Conceptual and Terminological Analysis on Postcolonial Sociologies. The ISA will decide on the submitted integrative sessions in mid-February.

Please send your session proposals by 1 March 2013 to Manuela Boatcă, at manuela.boatca@fu-berlin.de.

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Other forthcoming conferences

Habitus, War and Civilisation

Department of Sociology, University of Graz.
Graz 25–27 April 2013

To register for this conference, already announced in the previous newsletter, contact Dieter Reicher at dieter.reicher@uni-graz.at.

The conference is to honour Helmut Kuzmics on the occasion of his retirement from his chair at Graz in May 2103. Over the last decade, Helmut's work has centred especially on matters relating to war, but over the course of his career he has written on a wide range of topics, including national habitus, the arts, mass media and culture, and sociological theory. We shall welcome papers, or proposals for conference sessions, on the whole range of his work.

The deadline for the sessions on war and the bellicose side of social life has already passed, but abstracts for the session on *Popular Culture and Civilisation* will be accepted until the end of February. If you wish to present a paper in this session, please email Jason Hughes at jason.hughes@brunel.ac.uk.

Network for the Critical Study of Global Capitalism 2013 Conference Global Capitalism in Asia and Oceania

Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, 28–29 June, 2013

The Ship Inn, Conference Centre
Corner Stanley & Sidon Streets
Southbank Parklands, Brisbane, Australia

Outside Asia, much is made of the Asian Century, the rise of Asia, the economic potential of Asian markets, regional trade agreements with Asia, and building Asia-relevant capabilities to support all these. Such instrumental views are shaping the ideological landscape of many parts of the West. For those from within and outside Asia who are interested in critical studies of global capitalism other topics are much more pressing.

These include the different models and manifestations of global capitalism that are being adopted across Asia, as well as the links between such models and ongoing political developments in the region. Questions arise about the implications of newly energized "Asian capitalism" for current economic and social relationships- about current forms of economic division and exploitation, increasing social polarization and state based authoritarianism. Related questions also come up about oppositional activist practices that are arising and contemporary modes of policing such dissent.

The purpose of this conference is to focus critical studies of global capitalism on Asia, Australia, and the Oceania region, to provide opportunities for interested scholars and activists to explore related issues.

Workshops Topics that we invite abstract/paper submissions for:

- The transnational capitalist class in Asia, Australia, and Oceania.
- The so-called Asian century; potential winners and losers.
- Diverse forms of neo-liberalism in Asia.
- Transnational capital and the state.
- State repression and militarization.
- Financialisation and tax havens.
- The political economies of international education
- Global corporate networks intersecting with Asia and Australia.
- Capitalism, class and power relations in these regions.
- Workers in the Asia and global assembly lines.
- Social and political movements, protest and activisms.

CONFERENCE WEB SITES:

<http://www.net4dem.org/mayglobal>

<http://netglobalcapitalism.wordpress.com>

Abstract Submission Deadline: Submissions of abstracts should include a 100-word abstract and a brief biographical statement for each participant by 30 April 2013 to Jerry Harris at gharris234@comcast.net.

Paper Submission Deadline: Papers must be submitted by 30May 2013 to Emily Kersing at Emily.Kersing@monash.edu.

Papers will be circulated within the workshop group with an aim towards publication.

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Power and Justice in the Contemporary World-Economy

Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, August 9, 2013

<http://powerandjustice.com> | Pre-register by February 23, 2013 to *present* | Register by July 1, 2013 to *attend*.

This one-day conference will focus on highlighting sociologists' contributions to contemporary struggles for social justice around the world. Conference streams will focus on topics like:

- Alternatives to capitalist development
- Biofuels and global warming
- Can we have development AND justice?
- Challenges in international development
- Criminal justice and injustice
- Current affairs in major regions of the world
- Development
- Economic and social rights
- Economy and society
- Environmental footprints
- Environmental justice
- Faces of globalization
- Food security
- Food sovereignty
- Human rights
- Indigenous movements
- Indigenous nationhood
- Indigenous peoples' struggles
- International law and institutions
- Local struggles for rights and/or justice
- Peace movements
- Policing and social control
- Race, class, and gender in the world-system
- Social movements
- Strengthening civil society
- The international treaty system
- The political economy of the world-system
- The politics of austerity
- The rise of the surveillance state
- The transnational capitalist class
- Transnational corporations
- World-systems and ecosystems

The conference program is open and all proposals for participation on topics related to power and justice in the contemporary world-economy will be considered.

TO PARTICIPATE: There are multiple ways you can participate in this conference.

(1) To attend without presenting, simply register at powerandjustice.com by July 1, 2013. Registration fees are \$20 for full-time employed professionals, \$10 for students, retired professionals, and others who are on limited budgets.

(2) To participate by giving a presentation, pre-register at powerandjustice.com by February 23, 2013 and select the presenter option. Presenters will be asked to present their knowledge or expertise on their chosen topic, not an academic research paper. For example, an expert on global inequality would be expected to summarize the state of academic knowledge about inequality levels and trends, not present the results of a specific research paper. If you register as a potential presenter, you will be asked to provide a 100-word description of the topic(s) on which you would like to present. We are open to all suggestions and will organize panels based on the submissions we receive.

(3) To propose an invited panel (a fully-staffed 90 minute panel of presenters) please contact Salvatore Babones at sbabones@inbox.com as soon as possible.

(4) To volunteer to chair a panel, simply check the appropriate box on your registration and we will contact you to make arrangements.

CONFERENCE PAPERS: All conference participants (both presenters and non-presenters) who **pre-register by February 23** will have the opportunity to submit a conference paper that will be fully peer-reviewed and included in an online conference proceedings volume. You need not present at the conference to take advantage of this facility, though you do have to register. Initial papers will be due April 29, 2013. Final papers (revised based on peer review feedback) will be due July 1, 2013. Pre-registrants will be contacted in late February about the opportunity for paper submission after the close of pre-registration.

NOTE: The conference is being held the day before the opening of the ASA annual meeting in NYC.

The Department of Sociology at the University of Utah, with assistance from the Department of Sociology at Brigham Young University, will host the 3rd annual conference of the Sociology of Development section of the American Sociological Association, October 24-25, 2013, on the University of Utah campus in Salt Lake City, Utah. The conference theme will be “**The Future of Development**,” focusing on current research that provides foundation and direction for promising lines of future scientific inquiry on Development, with an emphasis on works that crosscut social, economic, political, and ecological spheres.

Potential topics for papers include the relationships between “development” (broadly construed) and:

Economy	Labor
Environment	Migration
Gender	Militarization
Globalization	Population
Health	Regionalization
Human Rights	State
Inequality	Urbanization

The above is a partial list. All development-related topics and methodological perspectives are welcome.

The organizers anticipate publishing selected papers from the conference in multiple journal special issues TBD.

The organizers plan to give awards for the best papers authored by faculty and graduate students. To qualify for an award, authors will be expected to submit electronic copies of completed manuscripts to the organizing committee by October 1, 2013.

Plenary speakers will be announced in early 2013.

Instructions for Submissions

- Send extended abstracts (3 page maximum) to socofdevelopment@soc.utah.edu
- Include institutional affiliations and email addresses for all authors
- The deadline for submissions is May 1, 2013
- Authors will be notified if their submissions have been accepted by July 15, 2013
- All questions should be sent to Andrew Jorgenson, chair of organizing committee, at socofdevelopment@soc.utah.edu

Note: There is no fee for registration. Partial funding to defray costs of airfare/lodging may be available for some participants, pending budgetary constraints and with preference for junior scholars and international scholars traveling from developing nations. Please specify in your submission whether you would like to be considered for a funding travel award.



Annual Black History Month Conference, 18 October 2013, The University of Leeds Building the Antiracist University (BAU): Next Steps

The introduction of the Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000 for the first time placed a statutory duty on HEIs in the UK to eliminate racial discrimination and promote racial equality. In many institutions there was a knowledge vacuum and little guidance on how to move forward. Stimulating institutional change towards the construction of the Antiracist University was the aim of the Centre for Ethnicity and Racism Studies (CERS) toolkit, which was concerned to develop a maximal, transformative approach to institutional change, rather than a minimal meeting of legal obligations. Over 300 HEIs established racial equality schemes by 2008 and improved experiences and opportunities in this sector, particularly for black and minority ethnic students are evident (National Students Survey 2002-2012, HEFCE 2012). However, progress in this field has slowed and a focus on the goals of eliminating racial discrimination, promoting racial equality and engendering change in organisational culture as well as approaches to curriculum and pedagogy has dissipated so that building the antiracist university remains urgent in 2013.

This interdisciplinary, international conference invites contributions from HEI equality and diversity practitioners, trade unionists and academics in the areas of:

- 1) Institutional whiteness: How is it produced and reproduced through affect, structures and processes? How might it be resisted and transformed?
- 2) Transforming organizational cultures: What are the challenges of such transformation? What are the conflicts and contradictions of transforming HEIs 'from within'? Are our efforts always destined to be turned into another managerial process? What role does intersectionality play in transforming organizational cultures?
- 3) The Black and minority ethnic (BME) presence and experience in HEIs: how can we best map the presence and experiences of BME staff and students? Can we draw in meaningful ways on these experiences to produce change in HEIs' approaches to curriculum, pedagogy, recruitment, retention and progression?
- 4) Developing curriculum interventions: what can be done to enable anti-racism within a context of professional autonomy, disciplinary inertia and organizational resistance?
- 5) Widening participation and organizational change: What does widening participation mean in the context of anti-racism? Should anti-racism be a part of the outcomes of higher education curricula?
- 6) Future directions for racial equality and diversity in a post-race era; what are the implications and symptoms of 'post-race' for HEIs? What impact does 'post-race' have on the possibility for the development of anti-racist strategies?
- 7) Other areas relevant to the conference theme.

We welcome contributions from a variety of disciplines, theoretical perspectives and methodological approaches, the products of academic research as well as activists' and practitioners' perspectives and reflections on this theme. We hope to publish a selection of papers from the conference either as a special issue in a refereed journal or an edited collection.

Confirmed Keynotes: Professor Jerlando Jackson University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA, Professor Velile Notshulwana, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa, Professor Heidi Safia Mirza, Institute of Education, UK.

Please send your **250 word abstracts by June 30th** to the abstracts committee at:
bhmc@leeds.ac.uk

Conference organisers: Dr Shirley Tate and Dr Paul Bagguley, CERS, School of Sociology and Social Policy, The University of Leeds, UK.

<http://www.sociology.leeds.ac.uk/research/ethnicity-racism/cers/>

Conference the Collected Works of Norbert Elias in English

College Court Conference Centre
University of Leicester, UK,
20–22 June 2014

This conference, to mark the completion of the 18-volume Collected Works of Norbert Elias in English (on which, see below) will be held in Leicester – where Norbert Elias taught from 1954 until the early 1970s. Craig Calhoun, now the Director of the London School of Economics, has agreed in principle to give the opening address. More details will be given in the next WG02 Newsletter, but expressions of interest will be welcome: please email Dr John Goodwin at jdg3@leicester.ac.uk.

The Collected Works of Norbert Elias in English near completion

Stephen Menzell

Norbert Elias is among the most important (and least appreciated) social thinkers of the twentieth century. His theory of modernity was prescient, insightful, and vindicated by discoveries he could not have dreamed of. Historians, sociologists, economists, psychologists, and neuroscientists can all profit by reading his eminently readable writings. The publication of this new and accessible edition of Eliass works is an important event in intellectual life. – STEVEN PINKER, Harvard College Professor of Psychology, Harvard University, and author of *The Better Angels of Our Nature: A New History of Violence and Humanity*.

Norbert Eliass work and inspiration become increasingly important each year; the Collected Edition a quarry filled with treasures. Any historian interested in long-term processes must necessarily grapple with the work of this great twentieth-century sociologist, who fused sociology and history into one encompassing vision. – BRUCE MAZLISH, Professor of History Emeritus, MIT

Norbert Elias was one of the most original minds in the human and social sciences in the twentieth century. The publication of his collected works is an extremely important contribution to the contemporary intellectual and academic scene. – the late S. N. EISENSTADT, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Norbert Elias (1897–90) has been a major inspiration for research in comparative sociology. Most sociologists will know his *magnum opus*, *On the Process of Civilisation* (previously published under the title *The Civilizing Process*), and historians hold *The Court Society* in particularly high regard. But, by the end of his life, he had published far more: a total of 15 books and well over a hundred essays. His works (some originally written in English and some in German) extend the theory of civilising processes in major contributions to the historical understanding of the growth of knowledge and the sciences, of sport and leisure, of art and literature, and of the whole long-term development of human society. Elias was a sociological imperialist, who preferred to call himself a human scientist!

The great German publishing house of Suhrkamp completed the publication of Eliass *Gesammelte Schriften* in 2007, and in the early 2000s the Norbert Elias Foundation, Amsterdam, entered into agreement with the leading Irish academic publishers, UCD Press, to bring out a corresponding English edition of the collected works in 18 volumes, as follows:

- 1** *Early Writings*
- 2** *The Court Society*
- 3** *On the Process of Civilisation*
- 4** *The Established and the Outsiders*
- 5** *What is Sociology?*
- 6** *The Loneliness of the Dying and Humana Conditio*
- 7** *Quest for Excitement: Sport and Leisure in the Civilising Process*
- 8** *Involvement and Detachment*
- 9** *An Essay on Time*

- 10 *The Society of Individuals*
- 11 *Studies on the Germans*
- 12 *Mozart and Other Essays on Courtly Art*
- 13 *The Symbol Theory*
- 14 *Essays I: On the Sociology of Knowledge and the Sciences*
- 15 *Essays II: On Civilising Processes, State Formation and National Identity*
- 16 *Essays III: On Sociology and the Humanities*
- 17 *Interviews and Autobiographical Reflections*
- 18 *Supplements and Index to the Collected Works*

All but three volumes have been published already, and *Studies on the Germans* is in press. The *Interviews* will appear later in 2013. The final volume, containing the consolidated index and two hitherto unpublished essays, on Sigmund Freud and on Lucien Lévy-Bruhl, will be published in spring 2014.

The volumes contain many writings not until now available in English: one book – *Humana Conditio* (especially relevant to International Relations) – and about a third of the essays. Even the essays that had previously been published in English were widely scattered, many of them not at all easy to obtain, so the three volumes of essays are especially important.

Under the patronage of the historian Sir Keith Thomas, a past president of the British Academy, and with the help of an editorial advisory board consisting of Richard Kilminster (chair), Eric Dunning, Johan Heilbron and Robert van Krieken, I myself have been acting as General Editor. The handsome hardback volumes have been produced – *sub specie aeternitatis* – to the highest scholarly standards. Translations have been revised to achieve as great a measure of consistency as possible between volumes, texts checked against original typescripts, quotations verified, bibliographical references completed, cross-references to other volumes inserted, and explanatory notes added where necessary.

The volumes are available at a permanent discount of 20 per cent if they are ordered directly from the publishers website: www.ucdpress.ie.

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Willfried Spohn memorial grant

Readers are reminded that we have established a grant in memory of Willfried Spohn, co-founder of our working group and a scholar of East Central Europe and Latin America. WG02 offers two conference grants per year of €500 each, intended to enable junior scholars to present their research at international academic gatherings. Ideally, these should be the ISA or IIS World Congress, the ISA Forum, or an ISA Interim Conference, but other events organized by WG02 members or dealing with WG02 research foci can also be taken into consideration.

Applicants should:

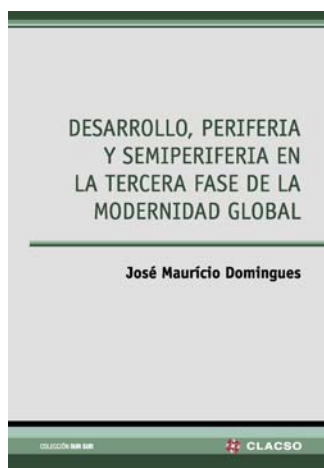
- be members of the ISA Working Group 02 Historical and Comparative Sociology
- have an academic degree in Sociology (preferably PhD)
- present a paper at the academic event for which they require the grant
- have a research focus on Latin America and/or East Central Europe

Applications, including a CV, proof of the conference paper being accepted, and the upcoming conference programme should be sent to wg02@gmail.com at least two months before the event using the subject line application Willfried Spohn memorial grant.

Publication by member of WG02

José Maurício Domingues, *Global Modernity, Development, and Contemporary Civilization: towards a Renewal of Critical Theory* (London: Routledge, 2012).

José Maurício Domingues, *Desarrollo, Periferia y Semiperiferia en la Tercera fase de la Modernidad Global* (Buenos Aires: CLACSO, 2012). 74 pp.



Note: The author sent us a PDF of the complete text of his (Spanish) book. In future, if you want your publications to be mentioned in the newsletter, please send us a brief abstract as a Word document.

In Memoriam: Amanda Rohloff (1982–2012)



Dr Amanda Rohloff, who died aged 30 on the 5 December 2012, was an extremely gifted academic who had just embarked on a promising career as a sociologist. She had only just joined WG20 in 2012, but many readers may remember meeting her at the last ISA World Congress in Göteborg in 2010, or at other conferences in recent years.

Mandy was born in 1982 and grew up in Wellington, New Zealand, the youngest of three children (her two brothers, Jason and Colin) born to Judy and Maurie Rohloff. She excelled at hockey as a teenager, and won a number of awards and trophies through her participation in the sport. She was a very able student at school, performing sufficiently well to gain access to the Victoria University of Wellington. At VUW, Amanda first studied for a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Anthropology, Criminology and Sociology, graduating in 2005. It was the sociological component of this degree, particularly the lectures by David Pearson, that awakened her intellectual passions and energies. In 2007, she completed a BA Honours in Sociology, achieving an outstanding result: a first class degree with grades of A+, A+, A+ and A. Upon graduation, Mandy won an LB Wood Travelling Scholarship from the New Zealand Vice Chancellors Committee. While still an undergraduate she had made contact with Stephen Mennell – an old friend of David Pearson’s – who recommended her to go to Brunel University, London, to study for her PhD with me. The scholarship enabled her to move to the UK, and at Brunel she was also awarded the Peter Caws Prize (of which she was the first ever recipient) and an Overseas Research Student Award. Her thesis examined climate change and the sociological concept of Moral Panic.

Essentially, Mandy’s aim with her thesis was to use the case of increasing public concern about climate change as a kind of empirical testing ground in relation to which she would integrate an analysis of short-term moral panics with a consideration of much longer-term civilising and decivilising processes. My first thought on discussing the thesis topic with her at our initial supervision session was that she might be a climate change denier (she was anything but) – surely this was something about which we were not panicking enough? But,

as she soon pointed out to me, this (common) reaction to her research topic said as much about the received ideological baggage of the moral panic heuristic – for example, that by definition such panics were inevitably disproportional and misguided – as it did about our own increasing sensitivity towards the environment, in turn linked to widening circles of mutual identification. Through examining long-term shifts in public and scientific understandings of, and attitudes towards, climate change, Mandy traced the ascendancy of a carbon temperance movement – a greening of demands to restrain and curb our excessive consumption of the planet's finite resources. Today, the movement finds its clearest expression in guides to ethical living; in the rise of corporate environmental statements; and, for instance, in growing demands for right thinking individuals to account for and offset the carbon emissions that result from the pursuit of interests relating to work, leisure and spare time activities. Mandy explored the implications of such developments, ultimately considering whether these contributed to facilitating a concerted human response to the challenges of climate change, or indeed, greater denial and ignorance of the problem and a reluctance to act in meaningful ways.

Along with a time-series analysis of various documentary sources, Mandy also conducted a number of interviews with environmental activists and non-activists. She pilot-tested her interview questions on me. I remember feeling exhausted at the end of the interview. In the space of about 30 minutes her probing questions and prompts had laid bare my own deeply personal – and, I might add, entirely contradictory and inconsistent – stance on climate change. Mandy had a highly penetrating academic mind, and treated almost everything in life, including her own personal challenges, with acute scientific interest. Such challenges included a medical condition – epilepsy – which commenced, seemingly from nowhere, after her first seizure in 2004. It was typical of Mandy that she accepted her illness without complaint, and doggedly refused to let it get in the way of doing whatever she wanted. Most recently, she commenced some sociological research on people with epilepsy, and had conducted endless personal experiments with diet and nutrition to manage her own condition. However, it was this illness that, sadly, appears to have been the primary cause of her death.

At Brunel, Mandy immersed herself in university life, soon becoming centrally engaged with the staff–student liaison committee, and subsequently becoming a prominent School representative for postgraduate research students. She later came to take the lead in a series of initiatives, perhaps the most notable of which was her role in organising the Moral Panics in the Contemporary World conference that took place at Brunel in December 2010. The conference was a highly successful international event attended by in excess of 120 participants, including some of the most prominent names in the academic field such as Stanley Cohen and Jock Young. Other key speakers included high-profile journalists such as the BBC Panorama documentary maker, James Oliver whose programme on the Baby P affair sparked a major national debate about social care and child protection in the UK. The conference attracted considerable highly positive media attention including, the from the *Times Higher Educational Supplement*, BBC Radio 4s *Thinking Allowed*, and the British Sociological Association (BSA) newsletter *Network*. It is testament to Mandys superb organisational skills that the conference actually turned in a not insubstantial profit. The remaining funds were used, again with Mandy taking the lead in every case, to secure a special reserve collection of books on moral panics in Brunel University Library; for the development of a website with archive footage of all the keynote presentations from the conference (www.moral-panic.com); and, most significantly, the establishment of an international moral panic studies research network, complete with working paper series and social media feed which, at the time of writing, has a large, international membership,

including many major figures from the field.

Amanda was well known on campus, where to support her PhD research she also worked in the library and taught undergraduates. As a very active member of the postgraduate community, she was greatly admired, and came to be known as Amanda the Wise! Exceptionally generous, helpful and friendly, she had an uncanny ability to tackle bureaucracy to get results – ask Mandy seemed the default answer to many queries on campus from students, and increasingly, from colleagues on the academic staff. She was successfully nominated for the Jock McKeon Prize for inspirational leadership – an award she was due to collect formally, together with her PhD, at the graduation ceremony of July 2013. Mandy obtained her PhD with only minor amendments in August of 2012. By this time, she had already developed a publications record that rivalled that of some senior members of academic staff. Alongside articles in prominent sociological journals, numerous book chapters, and a number of international conference presentations, she had already co-edited a special issue of the journal *Crime, Media and Culture*, and had co-edited a book on moral panics entitled *Moral Panics in the Contemporary World*, which is to be published by Bloomsbury Academic in 2013. She had numerous other projects in development. The list of her achievements goes on: it includes the establishment of a BSA study group on moral panics, and the active involvement in another on alcohol research; a book contract with the prestigious academic publisher Routledge; and most recently, her full-time appointment as a Postgraduate Research Fellow in Sociology at Brunel University funded by the Wellcome Trust.

To those who were fortunate enough to have known her, Mandy was a deeply thoughtful, giving, passionate and inspirational figure. She had a broad range of personal interests, a good number of which centred on her attraction to all things gourmet. This including foraging for wild mushrooms, cake making and decorating, and drinking fine wines and whiskeys. Mandy never quite recovered from her first taste of coffee in the UK. She could scarcely believe that us Brits could tolerate the appalling stuff that was served up to us in all but the highest-end cafes! Her death comes as a great shock; a huge, gaping loss to us both personally and professionally. It is all the more poignant given that she was just at the start of what was sure to be an absolutely stellar academic career. However, she came to the UK to live the academic life, and that she did with tremendous gusto and flair. She succeeded in realising her principal aim of obtaining a PhD, and, in the process of doing so, achieved so very much more. She cast her personal and intellectual net far and wide. She will be terribly and painfully missed by so many – family, friends and colleagues alike.

Jason Hughes

Brunel University, London, UK

Mandy's PhD supervisor, colleague and friend.

Note: the above obituary is reprinted from *Figurations – Newsletter of the Norbert Elias Foundation*, issue 38. If you wish to be added to the mailing list, please send your *postal* address to the Secretary, Norbert Elias Stichting, J. J. Viottastraat 13, 1071 JM Amsterdam, Netherlands, or email figurations@norberteliasfoundation.nl.