

## **Theatricalization of Politics in Contemporary Media and Arts**

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ISA RC14 proposes for the 13th European Sociological Association conference (August 29 -September 1, 2017) a joint session with ESA RN18 on the theme “Theatricalization of Politics in Contemporary Media and Arts”.

*Theatricalization* is an important aspect of social life in general, of political life in particular. Aspects of the political scene and action are given in *mass* and *new media dis-course* as well as in mass cultural productions (as “*narratives*” of the contemporary society). Given that people understand reality first of all on the *symbolic* level, the analysis of these narratives is an ideal approach of the meaning given to politics and communication nowadays: images of the economic crisis, of the migrants and/or refugees, of identities (given by media discourse or by mass cultural productions), constitute a basic imprint of the expressions of the current “*social myths*”. In this sense we invite papers based on the analysis of emblematic *media events* or on the *political “stories”* narrated in *TV serials* and *cinema*.

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