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RC04 2018 ISA Program
Dear Colleagues,

The RC04 Newsletter includes some very useful information about the upcoming ISA Congress in Toronto, July 2018, and information about recent publications by RC04 members.

The RC04 president Gary A. Dworkin in his last message as RC04 president is referring to the 2018 Toronto World Congress of Sociology that will be held from 15-21 July, 2018. Gary is stepping down after two terms as president and having a total of 18 years of service to RC04. He has served first as membership chair, then as secretary/treasurer and Newsletter editor, and twice as president. I am sure that all RC04 members will join me in extending our profound thank you and appreciation for his long years of productive service. He of course will continue to be a board member as past president. Special thanks are also due to RC04 board members whose term in their current position is coming to an end: Maria Ligia Barbosa (Brazil) Jason Chang (Taiwan) and Shaheeda Essack (S. Africa).

The Newsletter continues the publication of **Global Exchange**, intended to promote not only information exchanges, but also to facilitate collaboration among colleagues, especially collaboration that crosses national boundaries.

This is my last Newsletter as Secretary/ Editor of RC04. Thank you to all board members and to the RC04 membership for their constant support and collaboration during the eight years that I had the privilege of serving you in this position.

Marios Vryonides
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Dear Colleagues,

Elections will be held during the business meeting at the XIX World Congress of Sociology to be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on Wednesday, 18 July from 19:30-2:50. I want to encourage all RC04 members who will be attending the World Congress to attend the meeting and vote for the candidates for the 2018-2022 RC04 Board. The nominations committee, composed of Professors Maria Ligia Barbosa of Brazil and Jason Chang of Taiwan reported out the slate of candidates with one candidate for each position and two for the position of Vice Present for Asia. Even with most candidates running unopposed it is essential that members vote, as a candidate receiving no votes cannot serve. We shall also accept nominations from the floor during the business meeting. Our statutes term limit three of the current board members, while one is a candidate for a new position. Professors Barbosa and Chang, as well as Dr. Shaheeda Essack of South Africa who currently is Vice President for Africa, are term limited in their current offices.

The candidates for board positions include:

- **Marios Vryonides** of Cyprus, currently Secretary/Treasurer and Newsletter Editor, for President
- **Shaheeda Essack** of South Africa, currently VP for Africa, for Secretary/Treasurer and Newsletter Editor

The following are eligible to serve one final term if elected:

- **Carol Reid** of Australia, for re-election as VP for Oceania
- **Kari Kantasalmi** of Finland, for re-election as VP for Europe
- **Svetlana Sharonova** of Russia, for re-election as VP for Russia
- **Walter Allen** of the USA, for re-election as VP for North America

The following are eligible to serve two terms if elected:

- **Analia Meo** of Argentina, VP for Latin America
- **Shinichi Aizawa** of Japan, VP for Asia or **Tien-Hui Chaing** of Taiwan, VP for Asia

This will be my last letter to you as president of RC04. While the statutes permit the president to serve three terms and I have served two, I think that it is time for a change. I have held office in RC04 for 18 years, serving first as membership chair, then as secretary/treasurer and Newsletter editor, and finally twice as president. One of my goals was to increase membership in RC04 and that has been achieved thanks to the hard work of Marios and the board. Another goal was to provide mid-term conferences in locations around the world so that members would be able to attend a conference without substantial travel. During this time we have had conferences in Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Italy, the USA, Taiwan, Mexico, and have linked up with the national sociological
associations in South Africa and Australia. Additionally, of course, we have had ISA organized Forums and World Congresses in South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Argentina, Japan, Austria, and now Canada.

It is with sincere gratitude that I thank the RC04 boards and the membership for affording me the honor and opportunity to serve over the past 18 years. Under our statutes I will soon serve as immediate past president on the board, working with the colleagues that you elect.

Best regards to each of you and I hope to see many of you in Toronto.

Gary Dworkin,
President, RC04

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    - Vice-President for Latin America: Maria Ligia Barbosa, Brazil
    - Vice-President for North America: Walter Allen, USA
    - Vice-President for Oceania: Carol Reid, Australia
  - **Past-President:** Ari Antikainen (Finland)

- **Newsletter**
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- **Membership**
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- **Website**
http://www.ucm.es/info/isa/rc04.htm