From the Editor

It gives me great pleasure to bring the second issue of 2012 to ISA members. The Second ISA Forum of Sociology has just concluded in Buenos Aires. This has been a resounding success and the credit for this must be given to the ISA Forum President, Margaret Abraham, ISA Vice-President, Research, and the ISA administrative team led by Izabela Berlinska. I am pleased to include here the opening address of the Forum delivered by Margaret Abraham, a beginning that framed the theoretical tone and substance of a highly successful meeting that saw participation of 4000 sociologists.

The July 2012 issue also carries a distinguished lecture by Partha Nath Mukherji, ‘Social Mobility and Social Structure: Towards a Conceptual-Methodological Re-orientation’, a piece that was first published in the Sociological Bulletin. In addition, three essays are featured: ‘Modern Law, Traditional ‘Salish’ and Civil Society Activism in Bangladesh’ by Habibul Haque Khondker; ‘Musical Knowledge and the Vernacular Past in Post-War Sri Lanka’ by Jim Sykes; and ‘Neoliberal Morality in Singapore: Institutionalising the Logics of Neoliberalism’ by Teo You Yenn.

I look forward to feedback and contributions from all readers of the ISA eSymposium. Thank you as always for your support.

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