Sociology in Times of Turmoil: Comparative Approaches

Third ISA Conference of the Council of National Associations

Middle East Technical University
Cultural and Convention Center
Ankara, Turkey
May 13-16, 2013

MONDAY
May 13, 2013

09.00 - 09.30
ROOM A

Opening Session and Welcome
Chair
Ayşe SAKTANBER (METU, Chair LOC)
Tina UYS (ISA VP National Associations)

Presenters
Ahmet ACAR (METU Rector)
Galip YALMAN, President of the Turkish Social Sciences Association
İhsan SEZAL, President of the Turkish Sociological Association

09.30 - 11.00
ROOM A

Plenary Session
Chair
Tina UYS (ISA VP National Associations)

Presenters
Fernanda BEIGEL (Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Mendoza, Argentina)
‘Current challenges for the international circulation of peripheral social sciences’
Michael BURAWOY (ISA President)
‘Sociology in times of turmoil’
Ayşe SAKTANBER (METU, Chair LOC)
‘Trajectories of sociology and sociological knowledge in Turkey: An ideological instrument or a critical challenge?’

TEA BREAK
11.00 - 11.20

11.30 - 13.00
ROOM A

Two sessions at the same time

1A Transformation / Transition
Chair
Raquel SOSA (ISA VP Programs)

Presenters
Leke SOKOLI (Albania)
‘The strange trajectory of changes in Albania: A comparative approach’
Sinisa ZRINSCAK, Paul STUBBS (Croatia)
‘Social transformation, Europeanization, and economic crisis: The case of Croatia’
Grażyna SKAPSKA (Poland)
‘Grand theory, democracy and political change: Some reflections on the theory of transformation based on the East-Central European experiences’

LUNCH BREAK
13.00 - 14.20

1B Politics, Democracy and Change
Chair
Yıldız ECEVİT (METU, Turkey)

Presenters
Jakub HAVLICEK, Dusan UZNY (Palacky University, Olomouc, Czech Republic)
‘Religion and politics in the Czech Republic: The Roman Catholic Church and the state’
Sergey KONOVALOV / Kazahtstan
‘Similarities and differences between the development strategy of Kazakhstan and Turkey’
Saira SIDDIQUI, Khizra ASLAM (Pakistan)
‘Challenge to sociology of gender discrimination in the wake of women’s emancipation turmoil’

14.30 - 16.00
ROOM A

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2A Dealing with Inequality
Chair
Hirsen MEYER (Denmark)

Presenters
Disel ÇINOĞLU (Turkey, ISA EC)
‘Her story of democratization in the times of turmoil: Gendered inequalities in Turkey’
Simon MAPADIMENG (ISA EC)
‘Sociology and inequalities in the post-apartheid South Africa: A critical review’
Valery MANDUROV, Mikhail CHERNYSH (Russia)
‘Social inequality as a problem of transition societies’

16.00 - 17.00
ROOM A

Two sessions at the same time

2B Local Contexts - Global Processes
Chair
Tina UYS (ISA VP National Associations)

Presenters
Nathan BRITTON (University of South Africa, South Africa)
‘Experiences of transition and corruption in South Africa in times of turmoil: A comparative approach’
Rajiv CHAUDHURY (SUNY Stony Brook, USA)
‘Social inequality as a problem of transition societies’

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3A Challenges Facing Sociology Session 1
Chair: Helga RITTERBERGER TILIÇ (Turkey)

Presenters:
- Irly BARRERA (Brazil), Tom DWYER (ISA EC)
  ‘Thinking about sociology and Brazilian society: the role of turbulence’
- Elina GINAS (Finland)
  ‘Post-colonial feminist sociology: a contradiction in terms? Social embeddedness and utopias of modernity reconsidered’
- Ishwar MODI (India), Tom DWYER (ISA EC)
  ‘The contested “Nation”: The Kurdish question as the battleground of contending nationalisms in Turkey’

3B Challenges Facing Sociology Session 2
Chair: Jennifer PLATT (ISA VP Publications)

Presenters:
- Vinette SINHA (Singapore)
  ‘Recognizing women as Intellectual leaders: Institutional novel pedagogical practices in academia’
- Seyed H. SERAJZADEH (Basantek University, Iran)
  ‘Iranian sociologists’ response to social gaps and social problems of Iranian society’
- A. Rahman EMBONG (Yoh. Kee LEE (Malaysia)
  ‘The new demography and social cohesion in Malaysia: Making sense of new realities’

Two sessions at the same time

Turkish Sociology Plenary Session
Chair: Ayşe SAKTANBER (METU, Chair LOC)

Presenters:
- Mustafa ŞEN (METU, Turkey)
  ‘The role of both based organizations in poverty alleviation in Turkey’
- Fatma Umut BEŞİNKAR (METU, Turkey)
  ‘Women’s movements in Turkey’
- Aylin TOPAL (METU, Turkey)
  ‘Job insecurity in Turkish public sector: observations on the aftermath of Tele-privatization’

4A Sociology in the Global South
Chair: Endoğan YILDIRIM (METU, Turkey)

Presenters:
- Kermal YILDIRIM (Panama)
  ‘Turbulent sociology (Modern and ancient Mercosur)’
- Fernando CASTREDA (Mexico)
  ‘The crisis of the market and the return of sociology in Mexico’
- Freek CRONJE (South Africa)
  ‘Science, technology and society in the developing world’

4B Future of Sociology
Chair: İhsan SEZAL (Sociological Association of Turkey)

Presenters:
- John HOLMWOOD (United Kingdom)
  ‘Sociology, austerity and the neo-liberal knowledge economy’
- Roberto CIPRIANI (University of Roma, Italy)
  ‘European sociology today’
- Elena ZDRAVOMYSLOVA (ISA EC)
  ‘Why are there so many sociological associations in Russia?’

British sociology and sociological scholarship’

Two sessions at the same time

5A Social Change: Causes, Interventions, Consequences
Chair: Christine INGLIS (Editor, International Sociology)

Presenters:
- Jan Marie FRITZ (ISA EC)
  ‘Critical sociology and dispute intervention’
- Rual GULIYEV (Azerbaijan)
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5B National Revolutions
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- Ahmad ZAYED (Cairo University, Egypt)
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### TUESDAY, 14 May 2013

#### 16:30 - 18:00

**ROOM A**

**Two sessions at the same time**

6A The New Forms of Youth Activism

**Chair**

Mahmet ECİVİT (METU, Turkey)

**Presenters**

- Alicia PALERMO (Argentina)  
  "Young people’s experiences of social and political participation in Argentina"
- Ahli-Atina ALLASTE (Estonia)  
  "New forms of youth political activism in Europe"
- Manuel C. SILVA, Joao TEIXEIRA LOPES, Ana ROMAO (Portugal)  
  "Young people and the movement of the “indignantos”: Potentials and limits"

#### 09:00 - 11:00

**ROOM A**

**Two sessions at the same time**

7A The Sociological View of Social Capital and Governance

**Chair**

Margaret ABRAHAM (USA, ISA VP Research)

**Presenters**

- Eric D. WIDERMER, J. A. GAUTHIER, G. AEBY, D. JOYE, P. A. ROCH (Switzerland)  
  "Life trajectories and social capital in Switzerland: A two-cohort study"
- Eva GONÇALVES (EST, UL, Lisboa, Portugal)  
  "Teachers, parents and their children: expected versus real interaction"

### WEDNESDAY, 15 May 2013

#### 09:00 - 11:00

**ROOM B**

**Two sessions at the same time**

7B Sociological Responses to Social Challenges

**Chair**

Ayşe GÜNDÜZ HOŞGÖR (METU, Turkey)

**Presenters**

- Tomas KARGER, Jan KALENDIA, Jiří POSLT (Czech Republic)  
  "Czech sociology of religion and the new religious movements: Dangerous liaison"
- Abdullah AL-KHALIFAH (Saudi Arabia)  
  "Sociological responses to social challenges in Saudi Arabia: A qualitative analysis"
- Ray-May HSUNG, Tzung-Wen CHEN, Yi-Jr LIN (Taiwan)  
  "Globalization, risk society and course innovations for sociologists in Taiwan"

### ROOM A

**TEA BREAK**

**11:00 - 11:20**

#### 11.30 - 13.00

**ROOM B**

**Two sessions at the same time**

8B Structures and Mechanisms in Societies

**Chair**

Ayşe AYATA (METU, Turkey)

**Presenters**

- Enver PORIO (Philippines, ISA EC)  
  "Insurgent urbanism and deliberative spaces among the poor in Metro Manila: Transforming citizenship and governance systems"
- Yoshimichi SATO (ISA EC)  
  "Non-regular workers trapped in the gap between changing reality and (almost) unchanged institutions"

### ROOM A

**LUNCH BREAK**

**13.00 - 14.20**
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Closing Panel
Chair
Michael BURAWOY (ISA President)

Presenters
Galip YALMAN (Turkish Social Sciences Association)
Tina UYS (ISA VP National Associations)

Strategies for Mentoring Early Career Sociologists
Presenter
Christine INGLIS (Editor International Sociology)

09.00 - 13.00
ROOM D

CNA Business Meeting
Presenters
Tina Uys (ISA VP National Associations)

1. Report from the Vice President, National Associations, Tina Uys

2. Election of the CNA Nominating Committee for ISA elections 2014

3. XVIII World Congress of Sociology, Yokohama 2014
   - Congress theme and Presidential Sessions, Michael Burawoy, President
   - World Congress Program, Raquel Sosa, Vice President, Program

4. Activities of ISA Research Committees
   Margaret Abraham, Vice-President, Research
   a) About RC-WG-TG
   b) The importance of RC and NA collaborations (integrative sessions)
   c) Social Justice and Democratization website space
   d) NA members in their respective nations/regions to join RCs of interest for greater representation of ongoing research from different parts of the world within RC-WG-TG.

THURSDAY
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5. ISA Publications
   Jennifer Platt, Vice President, Publications
   (a) Open Access and ISA policy
   (b) The changing pattern of ISA journals

6. Finances and Membership of the ISA
   Tom Dwyer, Member of the Finance and Membership Committee
   a) Proposal to modify annual fees of regular collective members
   b) Proposal to modify Life Membership
   c) Request for reducing individual membership fees
   d) Membership-drive of national associations in regions with very few ISA individual members

7. Affiliations
   7.1 Global Development Network, Emma Porio, Executive Committee
   7.2 International Council of Science, Orhan Altan
   7.3 United Nations, Jan Marie Fritz, Executive Committee

09.00 - 13.00
ROOM E

Publications Workshop
Presenter
Christine INGLIS (Editor International Sociology)