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### XII WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY 9-13 JULY 1990, MADRID, SPAIN

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Sessions of the XII World Congress of Sociology will be held on the premises of the Universidad Complutense

In order to present a paper

please write directly as soon as possible to a session chair. Names and addresses of session chairs were published in ISA Bulletin 49. Copies of the Bulletin are available at the ISA Secretariat in Madrid.

Congress Registration Forms and Accommodation & Tour Forms are available at the ISA Secretariat in Madrid. Xerocopies of the original forms may be used as well.

will act as chair/discussant/rapporteur, have to ster to the Congress before the end of 1989 in order to be included in the Program Book.

### IMPORTANT DEADLINES

October 1, 1989

is the deadline for session organizers to submit final programs to the ISA Secretariat providing the following information on each session:

- title of the session

- names and addresses of authors, discussants, etc.
- title of their papers

February 1, 1990

is the deadline for submitting abstracts of papers to the ISA Secretariat. Forms and instructions for submitting abstracts can be obtained from session organizers. Please note that each abstract form has to be signed by a session organizer.

Anything received after this date will not be printed in the Sociological Abstracts issue included in the Congress participant kit.

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1, 1990

is the deadline for sending 2 copies of papers to the ISA Secretariat. A Reproduction Center will be organized by the Spanish Local Organizing Committee at the Congress venue and papers will be duplicated on request for other participants at the modest price (to be announced).

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### INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

The Research Committee on Sociology of Law has recently founded in Oñati, in the Basque Country (Spain), the International Institute for the Sociology of Law. This foundation has been carried out under auspices of the International Sociological Association and with a significant financial and organizational support of the Department of Presidence, Justice and Autonomus Development of the Basque Government, the Diputacion of the Province of Gipuzkoa, and the Town Hall of Oñati. The official opening ceremony took place on 24th May 1989.

The Institute offers professors and researchers, as well as students at an advanced level of doctorate or post-graduate studies: permanent services (reception, a library, a centre of bibliographic information). seminars, regular colloguiums, up-dating seminars (high level courses, conferences-debates, multidisciplinary talks); seminars on specialized topics.

Besides the organization of numerous international meetings, the Institute will welcome researchers on sabbatical leave, and scholarship holders sent by their sponsors, who aim to complete their study period or to embark on a doctoral thesis. As a matter of fact, an International Doctorate on Sociology of Law is in the process of being set up by the Institute, in cooperation with the University of the Basque Country.

The Oñati International Institute for the Sociology of Law is directed in the first place at legal sociologists and sociologists interested in the research on law and justice. However, having an interdisciplinary vocation, its desire is to receive sociologists of various interests, psychologists, philosophers, etc. All those who whish to participate in any of the activities organized within the framework of the Institute, are welcome, in addition to Research Committees and professional groups who would like to use the structures of the Institute for their conferences, seminars.

The Institute also offers researchers valuable working instruments: a data bank on Sociology of Law, a magazine Current Legal Sociology, a publication of the Institute's reports Oñati Proceedings.

### Location

The Oñati Institute for the Sociology of Law is located in an irreplaceable setting: visitors to the Institute will benefit from a unique sojourn in a XVI century University, the rooms of which have been entirely renovated. They will also find at their disposal a very rich and specialized library, modern meeting rooms, computers, a video instalation for field surveys, a centre of computerized information, and over 15 international newspapers in the lounge.

The Town Hall of Onati offers to all those working in the Institute the use of the local sports centre, a language laboratory, a private system of local transport and the free admittance to the local cultural establishments.

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POST-CONGRESS SEMINAR ON SOCIOLOGY OF LAW Offati, 14 - 18 July 1990

There will be a seminar organized just after the ISA XII World Congress of Sociology. A preliminary program is:

14 July 1990: Trip from Madrid to Oñati

15 July Sightseeing in Oñati and San Sebastian

16 July "Is theory in the Sociology of Law in such a miserable state? Why?" A plenary

session and sub-groups

Empirical Sociology of Law (open to proposals)

18 July Departure of participants

All scholars interested in contributing to the program should write directly to the Scientific Director of the Institute, Professor André-Jean Arnaud. Applications to participate in the seminar should be submitted to the Institute beofre  $\frac{30 \text{ March } 1990}{\text{account:}}$ . Participation fee, travel expenses and lodging amount to Pts 10.000 to be paid to the following  $\frac{30 \text{ March } 1990}{\text{account:}}$ 

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17 July

The ISA has lost one of its best loved colleagues with the death of Magdalena Sokolowska on Friday, April 21st. It is hard to realise that her vivacity and warmth have gone out of the world, for there was something intrinsically life-giving about Magdalena. She was incapable of pessimism or inactivity but possessed an energy and strength on which so many people drew both in public and in private. Perhaps the core of her goodness was that she treated every personal encounter as important: each individual was worth taking seriously, whether taken to task (for she was no respecter of status) or treated to one of her ironic diagnoses of current affairs.

Her career began as a medical doctor in Poland, but she gradually began to explore the interface between movine and the social sciences and to confront the two. These early academic struggles are documented in a self-analysis she contributed to Medical Sociologists at Work (edited with Ray Elling, 1978). Already by 1963 her integration of the two areas was apparent in her first book Socio-Medical Characteristics of Women's Work produced for her Docent degree.

From there began the genesis of the Sociology of Medicine in Poland, behind which Magdalena was undoubtedly the prime mover. The distinctive pattern of her contribution was immediately apparent. It consisted in using her growing international connections to deepen her own knowledge of the field which she then fed back in to the nascent specialism in Poland. In 1965 the Medical Sociology Department at the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the Polish Academy of Sciences, was founded with Magdalena becoming its first head and she was equally instrumental in establishing the Medical Sociology section of the Polish Sociological Association a year earlier.

The role of transmitting knowledge gained internationally and then reintegrating it nationally became her hark throughout the 60s and 70s. Especially in the area of mental health Magdalena spearheaded a move away from quantitative epidemiological study to a more theoretical approach and succeeded in gaining the funding for this. Her commitment to establishing medical sociology in Poland went very deep. After her first major operation four years ago, she went straight back to her desk saying that her main aim was to live long enough to see 40 qualified medical sociologists working in Poland, thus consolidating the specialism and ensuring its continuation.

Magdalena's role as a transmitter and facilitor was a two-way one. On the international level she gave constant support to increasing social science input into medical practice and played a vital part in the WHO to this end, as well as acting as an editor of Social Science and Medicine. Her capacity to pull medical sociologists together and stimulate crossnational interchange was highlighted at the 1973 Jablonna Conference from which Health, Medicine, Society emerged three years later, co-edited with Jackoholowica and Kloskowska.

Research for the WHO and teaching in the USA, Belgium and Germany brought her into contact with many on the personal level. It must be a source of great pleasure to those at the University of Helsinki and University of Siegen who recognized her academic contribution in



with a Doctor Honoris Causa Degree and paid tribute to her in a Festschrift produced on that occasion.

An important part of Magdalena's international activity centred around the ISA. She had a long lasting involvement with the Research Committee on Sociology of Medicine and 20 years ago produced Sociological Studies in Medicine illustrating the state of the art. She served 2 terms on the Executive Committee and became the first woman Vice-President of the ISA (1978-82). During this time she made exceptional contributions to developing the work of the Research Council. I suppose the event many of us will remember most was her organization of the Jablonna mid-term Congress in 1980. The setting in the Poniatowski's summer palace, the outbreak of the strikes in Gdansk and the intellectual exuberance of that meeting reflected some of the facets of personality. What later became Magdalena's affectionately known as 'the blue book' (Sociology: the State of the Art, edited jointly with Tom Bottomore and Stefan Nowak) was the product of that meeting and was distributed to all participants at the Mexico World Congress.

At our next world congress (Madrid 1990) we are sadly going to be honouring Magdalena in another way. There will be a session in tribute to her, taking the form we think she would have chosen herself - papers given on the best of medical sociology, which we hope will indeed be worthy of becoming another "blue book" for publication. "Business as usual" was one of her sayings throughout her illness and one we will respect in Madrid. In the meanwhile gratitude for her life is having a hard battle against a bleak sense of loss amongst her friends who loved her.

Margaret Archer, ISA President 1986-90

The death of Magdalena Sokolowska is a very great loss to international sociology. I knew her best in the period 1974/78 when I was President of the ISA and she was a member of the Executive Committee, in which capacity she made a major contribution to our work, not least in organizing a very successful meeting of the Executive Committee in Radziejowice near Warsaw in 1977. Subsequently, Magdalena became a Vice-President of the ISA responsible for the work of the Research Council (1978-82), and I was associated with her again in editing (together with Stefan Nowak) the book Sociology: The State of the Art (Sage 1982) which resulted from her initiative in promoting a

conference of representatives of the ISA research committees to discuss the main theoretical and methodological developments in their particular fields. Others can write with more authority about Magdalena's distinctive contributions to the sociology of medicine; for myself I wish to express my great sadness on the death of a vivid and stimulating colleague, and a most valued friend.

Tom Bottomre, ISA President 1974-1978

Magdalena Sokolowska died in Warsaw on April 21, 1989, at the age of 67. For many years she has been recognized as the premier medical/health sociologist in Eastern Europe. This status she achieved through her very live intelligence, seemingly boundless energy, rock hard determination, marvelous sense of humor, and, above all, rare sense of selfless leadership. She was forever seeing to the development of others and progress of the field; never concerned with tooting her own horn.

One can only speculate on the forces which shaped her in this way. A strong willed, deeply loving, supportive Mother who survives her was surely one. No doubt the school of hard knocks which accompanied the war time and Nazi occupation of Poland as she was entering advanced schooling taught many lessons. Selected passages from her own work autobiography offer a glimpse into these early years of her truly remarkable career (1, pp. 289-291):

"I graduated from high school (gimnazium) in June 1939, and in September was to enter the National Institute of Theatre Arts in Warsaw to study acting. But on the first of September the war broke out and on the third German troops were already in my town

In November 1939 I found myself in Warsaw.

"I was seventeen, the only child of a well-off family of the intelligentsia, for the first time on my own. What to do? All secondary and higher schools were closed down. Nazis were not interested in producing an educated stratum of Poles. They allowed only the primary schools and a few vocational schools to function. Among these there was a two-and-a-half-year nursing school of the Polish Red Cross. Since it had a dormitary and I had nowhere to live. I decided to enter this school.

"In June 1942, I received my license as a registered nurse. At the same time I passed examinations after a two-year course at the Medical Faculty of the Underground Warsaw University. There was an excellently organized system of secret secondary and higher education in Warsaw which embraced a large number of young people.

Although she had a completely free choice of a place to work, there being a severe shortage of medical staff at the time, she entered the rather low prestige field of social medicine, spending four years in the Department of Hygiene. On the basis of a dissertation on housing density and its relationship to the incidence of scarlet fever, she received the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

In the early 1950s she worked in Lodz - "the Polish Manchester" - as an industrial physician. Her husband, also a physician, a neurosurgeon whom she had met as a student in the underground medical school in Warsaw, had been transferred to the Central Military Hospital in Lodz. It was this work which brought her closer to seeking deeper sociological understanding and laid some of the groundwork for her later well known research on women's work and health published in

Polish and German ("Sociomedical Characteristics of Women's Work") which was accepted as the basis for her degree of Docent of Sociology in 1963. Her insights into family and work conflicts and difficult conditions of life were gained not only from looking outside of the large textile combine where she was the medical director and the majority of workers were women, they came out of her own experience in a sadly dissolving marriage (1, p 293-294):

"I worked like mad ... I worked to realize a sociologist model of the industrial doctor, codirector of the plant who is concerned not only with workers' ill health but with the broadly conceived conditions of work and social facilities as a member of the managing collective - in a word, as a model physician-public activist. This required almost constant presence in the enterprise, participation in endless meetings, conferences, confrontations, actions. I moreover desired to win the confidence of the people employed in this combine and this entailed first of all being a good doctor.

"Besides all that there was my home. My husband was a neurosurgeon. He built up, organized, directed a neurosurgical department at the military hospital .... We had two small children. I realize only now what a difficult childhood they had and I am surprised that they have no complaints on that score. We counted every penny, for we did not earn much. Both our posts were in the relatively low-income category, as compared with the earnings of doctors practicing individual clinical medicine. We had a cold, dark, damp apartment, heated by coal stoves. We had to carry pails of coal to the fourth floor from the cellar of a neighboring staircase.

"After the war we could not cope with the family roles which in the difficult living conditions were overshadowed by our professional roles. We were like two racing horses pulling in different directions. Absorbed in creating a social macrostructure, we destroyed our own microstructure. I am now able to express this situation in a scholarly way as befits a sociologist. Then, I saw only the progressive process of disintegration of my marriage and I could not, and perhaps did not want to, resist it.

"The price I paid for my professional career was rather high. I have asked myself many times wheth I would pay such a price if I could start all e.er again and with my present experience. The question remains unanswered; I simply do not know. I lost much and gained much, and then - the values lost and those gained are qualitatively different and incomparable."

Her career as a sociologist began after studies in the Program in Sociomedical Science at Columbia University's School of Public Health where she received the MPH. Her autobiographical statement describes her first experiences:

"I arrived there in 1958; it was like arriving on another planet. It was a family reason which brought me to the United States, but our Ministry of Health agreed to my extended stay, long enough to finish the program of studies for the Master of Public Health degree at Colombia University School of Public Health.

"For several weeks I was in a state of cultural shock. I was never previously in the West. I had been a pretty dogmatic industrial physician in the Polish People's Republic. I knew English only so much that I was able to read and more or less to understand the industrial medicine literature."

But as her interest was deep and motivation high, she persisted. She gained a great deal from course work on the methodology of social surveys which stood her in good stead in her later work.

By good fortune she heard about, applied for and received a position in the Department of Sociology of Work of the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology in the prestigeous Polish Academy of Sciences. It was here that she did the research which resulted in her first book as mentioned above.

In 1965 she established the Medical Sociology Department at the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology. Through this vehicle as well as teaching at the University of Warsaw and engaging young researchers in her studies, she was able to encourage the development of a whole cadre of excellently trained young medical/health sociologists who are able to carry on this work in Poland. The Department did research in several spheres of concern, most notably in disability and rehabilitation and made theoretical contributions which were published in both Polish and English (2). The unit also collaborated across national boundaries. One of these collaborations (with cameagues in New York as well as her Polish careagues) resulted in the first study in the Soviet sphere of the distribution of measured intelligence by social class and other environmental factors. It took her daring and skill to navigate such waters. Other work was carried out jointly with the Medical Research Council Social Research Unit in Aberdeen, Scotland. She made her strongest mark, however, in establishing medical sociology as a legitimate field of endeavor in Poland and the Soviet sphere, at a time when such endeavor was hardly welcomed.

She quickly came to international attention by virtue of these collaborating studies with colleagues in New York and Aberdeen. She was one of the early members of the Steering Board of the (now called) Research Committee on the Sociology of Health (RC15) of the International Sociological Association and served as Vice Chairperson of RC15, her terms ending 1974. She came to prominence in generic sociology in part through her service as a Vice President of the International Sociological Association (1978-1982). She served on WHO experted Committees both at Headquarters in Geneva and at the Regional Office for Europe in Copenhagen. Her most recent work with WHO was on the health burdens of social inequities.

In recent years she has been a member of Solidarity's National Commission on Health and has served as an advisor to Solidarity in its round table negotiations with the Polish government on matters of health.

It was a great privilege and pleasure to know and work with this very special person. We will all miss her. Her memory lives fondly on.

Professor Sokolowska is survived by her mother and her son Stefan (a mathematician) in Poland, by a daughter Marysia in Canada, and by two grandchildren.

Ray Elling (University of Connecticut), RC15 Chairperson, and Jack Elinson (Columbia University)

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### CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

### September 21-22, 1989

Working Group on Systems Theory: Third International Meeting on the Contributions of Systems Theory to Social (Political, Economic, etc.) Knowledge:

The State of the Art Toulouse, France

Information: Professor J.C. Lugan

Université des Sciences Sociales Place A. France, 31042 Toulouse Cedex,

France

### October 1-6, 1989

Place:

International Workshop of the Research Committee on Participation, Workers' Control and Self-Management, and Bulgarian Research Institue for Trade

Union Studies

Social Needs, Ownership and Trade Unions" Theme:

Place: Sofia, Bulgaria

Information: Krastvu Petkov

Institute Sociology, Moskovska Str 13 A

Sofia 1000, Bulgaria

### October 2-7, 1989

IXth General Conference of the International Federation of Social Science Organization IFSSO

Place: Tokyo, Japan

Main theme: Change in Academic Policy: Social Science

in a Changing World

Subthemes: research and training systems and their

reforms \* new fields and social science beyond the traditional academic boundaries \* interface between sciencetechnology and society \* academic infra-

structures for international cooperation

and exchange programs

Information: IFSSO Conference, Secretariat

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### October 22-26, 1989

International Conference of the Research Committee on Sociology of Religion: Nation Building in Political and Religious Perspectives

Place: Baltimore, Washington, USA

Information: Karol Borowski

Dept Political Science, Towson State University, Towson MD 21204, USA

### November 3-4, 1989

Second International Conference on Industrial and Organizational Crisis Management

Place: New York University, New York, USA

Themes: \* organizational issues in crisis manage-

ment \* science, technology, and industrial policies relevant to crisis management \* conflict resolution issues in crisis management \* multidisciplinary

perspectives on crisis management

Information: Paul Shrivastava

Industrial Crisis Inst, New York Univ 90 Trinity Place, New York, NY 10006-1594

### REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES FROM THE RESEARCH COMMITTEES

Reports from other Research Committees were published in the ISA Bulletin no.48

### - RC 15 - SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH

Report submitted by Rance P.L. Lee, Secretary

The Committee was officially adopted by the ISA in January 1963. It was then named as "The Research Committee on Medical Sociology". With the approval of the Research Council and the Executive Committee of ISA in 1986, the Committee has been re-named as "The Research Committee on the Sociology of Health". The purpose is to recognize the breadth of our concerns and works with all kinds of people for the promotion of health. It is the health of people rather than the medical service in itself that should be of our primary concern. And nowadays it is the primary health care for all rather than the high-technology medical care that requires greater attention and more participation by sociologists around the world.

Starting from 1974, the Committee has been governed by the Steering Board made up of six members each serving a term of eight years. Since the last ISA Congress in 1986, members of the RC 15 Steering Board have been as follows:

Active Members	Term
Debabar Banerji, India	1986-94
Ray Elling (Chairperson), USA	1982-90
Heidrun Kaupen-Haas, FRG	1986-94
Asa Cristina Laurell, Mexico	1986-94
Rance P.L. Lee (Secretary-Treasurer)	
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Associate Regional Newsletter Editor (North America)
Derek Gill, USA 1987-

Both Ray Elling and Rance P.L. Lee will have served out their eight-year terms by 1990. They will then be replaced by Hans-Ulrich Deppe and Kyoichi Sonoda, now members-elect. The other four active members will retire in 1994. Therefore, at the RC 15 business meeting during the coming ISA Congress in Madrid in 1990, the membership at large will have to elect four membmers-elect of the Steering Board for a four-year term (1990-94) before they become active members for a term of eight years (1994-2002). Moreover, in the same meeting the six active members (Banerji, Kaupen-Haas, Laurell, Quah, Deppe, Sonoda) of the Steering Board will have to choose among themselves to serve as Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary-Treasurer. After retirement, Ray Elling (now Chairperson) and Rance Lee (now Secretary-Treasurer) may be voted to serve as emeritus-members of the Board.

In order to strengthen our contacts and collaborations with health sociologists in developing countries, the Committee has invited the following persons to serve as national focal point:

Dr. Tavitong Hongvivatana, Thailand, Dr. Akwasi Aidoo, Tanzania, Dr. Kaling Tudor Silva, Sri Lanka, Dr. Misva, Napal, Dr. Soon-Young Yoon, WHO/SEARO, Dr. R. Venkataratnam, India

Since this is a new concept, the duties of a national focal person cannot be clearly specified for the time being and have to be gradually formulated out of concrete experiences. To begin with, they are suggested to (1) collect items of news on health sociology and forward them to RC 15 Newsletter editor, (2) encourage membership in RC 15, and (3) possibly encourage local or regional research meetings and otherwise see to the development of the field.

Membership

About 500 persons are on the RC 15 membership list. Up to now a total of 104 members have paid up the membership dues, of whom 84 are from hard-currency countries and 10 are from soft-currency count. Members in the former category paid US\$20 for the wo years, while members in the latter category paid US\$4 for two years. Considerations are being made about raising the dues after the coming ISA Congress in

Finances

As regards the financial situation, the Committee has a balance of US\$4,200 up to the end of April 1989. In addition, the ISA Research Council in its September 1988 meeting decided to grant US\$800 for subsidizing the publication of RC 15 Newsletter.

### Newsletter

Jerome Stromburg, University of Colorado, USA has been replaced by Wim van den Heuvel, Department of Medical Sociology, University of Groningen, The Netherlands to serve as the RC 15 Newsletter editor beginning from early 1987. Since then four issues of the Newsletter have been published: No. 18 (Feb. 1987), No. 19 (Aug. 1987), No. 20 (Feb. 1988), and No. 21 (Dec. 1988).

ISA Research Council

Since January 1988, Asa Cristina Laurell has serving as the Alternative Delegate of RC 15 to le Research Council of ISA.

ISA - WHO

The Committee continues to serve as a point of liaison between ISA and WHO. Various ways of making further collaboration are being explored. A difficulty of RC 15 members, mostly researchers-scholars, is the lack of significant funds for travel or projects. Financial assistance through WHO is thus very much needed. Ray Elling, our Committee Chairperson has recently written to R.C. Anderson, Chief of the Office of External Coordination, WHO to indicate our need for financial assistance and to suggest an informal discussion meeting between selected members of RC 15 and staff of WHO about possible plans for more productive relation. "AIDS" and "Leadership Development for Health for All through Primary Health Care" are two of the common interests between RC 15 and WHO.

It is stressed that a longstanding concern of the Committee is to train and develop socio-health researchers to work on problems of primary health care in the push for health for all in developing countries. These researchers are to be equipped with such theoretical perspectives and methodological skills that would allow them to deal with authentic

citizen participation, prestige-reward structures, cultural orientations, organization-environment relations, stratification and power and other concerns central to the promotion of health for all through primary health care. There are large numbers of properly trained health sociologists, anthropologists and political economists in the industrial nations but very few in Africa and in many countries of Asia. Our Committee is prepared to work with WHO to find ways of encouraging and facilitating the development of the kind of socio-health research workers in developing countries, rather than those epidemiologists and other public health researchers that are more familiar

The World Health Organization invited three members of RC 15 to attend the Second International Dialogue of Resource Network for Health for All Leadership Development, held in Hawaii from 29 August to 2 September, 1988, and hosted by the School of Public Health, University of Hawaii. These three RC 15 members were Ray Elling, Rance P.L. Lee and Masahira Anesaki. As representatives of the ISA Research contitue on the Sociology of Health, they worked participants from other four networks: WHO Leadership Task Force, the Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres for Nursing Development, the Network of Community-Oriented Educational Institutions for Health Sciences, and the Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health, Dr. Hafdan Mahler, Director-General Emeritus of WHO served as a key participant and gave a presentation on "Social Justice--the Underpinning for Health Leadership Development".

The Dialogue focused on the role of institutions of higher education in the Health for All movement. It was commonly agreed among the participants in the Dialogue that academic institutions can play an important role in the HFA movement and it is worthwhile to invest resources for leadership development in academic institutions, but it will require sustained commitment from people both within and without the institutions. While the participants agreed on the importance of networking in the promotion and enhancement of leadership development in the global quest for HFA, it was decided that it would not be appropriate to establish a new "network bodone in the foreseeable future is to strengthen expand the existing of networks" of academic institutions. What needs to expand the existing networks through individual and networking commentments to the development of leadership. Communications, linkages and sharing of resources among networks should be increased, and there is also a need to expand interprofessional involvement by academic institutions in community settings.

In this connection, it should be reported that following an initial exploratory two-week working session in Geneva in March 1988, Ray Elling, our RC 15 Chairperson, took part as a resource person to a very successful WHO Technical Discussions. He was then sent to do some case studies of different types of leadership for health for all, one in Tanzania and another in Canada. Moreover, he is now giving a course on the subject to some of his graduate students. Furthermore, Masahira Anasaki is organising a paper session on "The Sociology of Leadership Development for HFA through Primary Health Care", in the forthcoming ISA Congress in Madrid, July 1990. It is hoped that these and other related activities will be pursued by many of our RC 15 members. As sociologists, we could make significant contributions in many ways, such as survey of social science literature for its relevance to this important initiative, formulation of conceptual frameworks particularly relevant to a shared leadership conception in the context of social justice and citizen involvement, empirical studies of on-going leadership development efforts in selected

settings, collaborating with other networks in development of operational models within countries and local places, and the provision of consultation to educational institutions for leadership development.

Regional meetings
A policy of the Committee is to stimulate local or regional meetings which RC 15 can sponsor. A recent move is that several members of the Committee including Ray Elling, Rance Lee, Mark Field, Kyoichi Sonoda, Masahira Anesaki and Yoshio Yonebayashi have been working with Liu Zong-Xia, Director of the Medical Sociology Research Institute, Chinese Academy of Management Science, PRC to organize the Third Asian Conference on Medical and Health Sociology. While the two prior conferences were held in Japan in 1980 and 1986, respectively, this third conference is planned to be held in China in the mid-1990. The Conference will take 3 days and the theme will be: Health and Health Care in Cross-National Perspective Tentative topics for papers sessions include: contrasting/comparative studies of health systems in different countries \* the sociology of the administration of health services \* medicalization of social problems \* rehabilitation (community-based and institutional) and modernization of health services \* adult socialization to health occupations \* health provider-patient roles in changing health systems \* social aspects of cardio-vascular diseases and cancer

Efforts are being made to solicit funding support. It is expected that besides participants from various parts of China, some 25 researchers-scholars will be invited from other developing and developed nations. The regional office of WHO (WHO/WPRO) has agreed to fund the participation of five researchers-scholars from Asian countries outside China.

\* AIDS and the social sciences \* mental disease and

the social sciences \* the sociology of workers' health

Forthcoming conference

and safety

Rance P.L. Lee, Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee has been invited to help and serve as member of the Scientific Program Committee (chaired by Charles Leslie), The Third International Conference of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine (IASTAM) to be held in Bombay, India, 4-7 January 1990. The theme of the Conference is: Pluralistic Character of Traditional Asian Medicine.

\_\_\_\_ RC 26

— SOCIOTECHNICS - SOCIOLOGICAL PRACTICE

Report submitted by Mark van de Vall, President

Research Committee held its third intermediate conference between the 11th and the 12th World Congresses of Sociology in Leiden, Holland.

A three day conference was organized at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, May 10-12th, 1989.

About 40 scholars attended from Canada, China, Holland, Hungary, Poland, RFG, USA. The attendance reflects a growing trend within the RC 26 toward cooperation (or, at least, discussion) between scholars interested in sociological practice from capitalist and socialist nations. At the second day, a plenary paper was presented by James Coleman, while Irwin Deutscher concluded the conference with a comprehensive summary of the papers.

At a Board Meeting of the RC, May 11th, a rather historical decision was made to separate the functions of Secretary, Treasurer on the one hand and Editor of the Newsletter on the other. Horst Schneider, University of Bielefeld, FRG, was invited to to act as a

new Secretary/Treasurer, while Joachim K.H.W. Schmidt was invited to remain Editor of the Newsletter.

RC 28
SOCIAL STRATIFICATION

Recent meetings

In April 1988 Vered Kraus and Yossi Shavit arranged a meeting in Haifa. Around fifty persons participated and a large number of papers was discussed during three days. The meeting ended with a very informative tour round the Galilee. Vered and Yossi provided new evidence in favour of the hypothesis that members of this committee organise excellent meetings.

From August 30th to September 1st, 1988 Robert M. Hauser organized the RC 28 meeting at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA.

On April 26-29, 1989 Research Committee held a meeting in Utrecht (The Netherlands) under the title "Stratification and Mobility Research in the 90's". The meeting was organised by Wim Jansen (University of Utrecht) and consisted of four plenary sessions and eight paper sessions. The paper sessions were titled:

- 1. Historical Mobility Research 1820-1940
- 2. Stratification and Mobility in the Life Course
- 3. Gender, Race, and Ethnic Stratification
- 4. Consequences of Social Mobility
- 5. Multivariate Models of Social Mobility
- 6. Kinometric Models of Social Mobility
- Stratification and Mobility in a "Lifestyles" Perspective
- 8. Analysis of School and Work Histories

The annual Fall meeting of the Research Committee will be held at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California, August 5-8, 1989. The conference is organized by Jim Baron and Nancy Tuma of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford. The conference theme is "The Social Context of Stratification and Mobility". There will be seven paper sessions, which focus on different contexts which careers and social mobility are embedded:

- 1. Cross-National and Comparative Studies
- 2. How Careers Evolve Over the Life-cycle
- Organizational and Institutional Perspectives on Inequality
- 4. Ethnic and Racial Stratification
- 5. Inequality, Public Policy, and the State
- 6. The Family and the Economy
- 7. Beliefs and Ideologies about Inequality

It is planned to conclude the meeting with several plenary sessions on "The Future of Stratification and Stratification Research".

Call for papers for the next volume (no. 8) of Research in Social Stratification and Mobility. Theoretical as well as research contributions on any topic related to social stratification are welcome. Papers focusing on non-U.S., cross-national, or historical materials are especially encouraged. Papers will be reviewed by the editor and editorial board. There is no deadline for submissions, and papers will continue to be accepted until the volume is completed. Submit four copies of manuscripts and a \$10 (U.S.) submission fee (payable to RSSM) to Arne L. Kalleberg, Editor, Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, Department of Sociology, CB Department 3210 Hamilton Hall, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27599, USA.

RC 29
DEVIANCE AND SOCIAL CONTROL

Report submitted by Manfred Brusten, President

The International Conference of the Research Committee held in Motreal, Canada, from November 9th to 11th, 1987, organized by Louise Shelley, was attended by approximately 20 colleagues from 10 countries who presented excellent papers and had enlightening discussion on three main topics:

- \* Privatization of Police
- \* History of Crime and Criminal Justice
- \* Cultural Conflict, Crime and Criminal Justice

The international conference on "Crime, Drugs and Social Control", 14-16 December 1988 in Hong Kong, was an extremely successful 'joint venture' of the Research Committee and the local organizers, particularly Harold Traver from the Department of Sociology, University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Society of Criminology. In all there were about 50 participants, among them 22 foreigners representing 10 different countries. Hong Kong was obviously not only from a historical point of view the right location for a conference on crime, drugs and social control, but also with respect to the specific aspects to with the problem: \* the economic interests involved in the drug problem, \* the relationship between the drug problem and politics, \* the not intended consequences of the attempts to get the drug problem under control, \* the 'class structure' of the drug problem.

For the members of the RC the conference offered many occasions for personal and business meetings. Besides the academic matters the Hong Kong Society of Criminology had organized some drug-related excursions and a real Chinese dinner including high-level speeches on the local 'criminal policy'.

Next international conference of the RC will take place in Cork, Ireland, in September 1989. For further details, please contact Professor McCullagh, Department of Social Theory and Institutions, University College, Cork, Ireland.

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- SOCIOLOGY OF WORK

Report submitted by Wolfgang Littek, Secretary

### Working Groups

Working groups on the following subjects initiated by members have existed now for several years:

- New technologies and industrial work
- Changes in the meaning of work
- Work conditions in developing countries
- White collar work and new information technologies
- Professional work in comparative perspective

These working groups also formed the basis for some of the sessions at the New Delhi World Congress. Since then, new working groups have been proposed:

- Individual and collective labour relations at work
- Labour process theory
- Work and leisure
- New methodological approaches to the study of work
- Unemployment and labour market theory
- Risks to individuals connected with working conditions
- Working time
- Women and work

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- Organization theory and methodology on (new)

technology: the state of the art

- Organization theory and the labour process

- Theoretical and empirical linkages between organization theory and class theory

- Service organizations and new technology: theory

and empirical outcomes

- Industrial structure and new forms of (work) organization: industrial strategies and possible alternatives

Book publications from several of these sub-groups are in print.

The Research Committee held an international workshop on "The Redesign of Working Time" in Arnoldshain near Frankfurt (FRG), March 21-25, 1988, organized by July h Buber-Agassi. Themes of the sessions were:

- We Present State of Working Time and the Problems and Consequences of its Redesign

- Reduction of Work Hours and their Flexibility and the Preservation and Creation of Jobs

- Working Time in Less - Industrialized Societies and the Introduction of the 5-Day Work Week

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- Working Time Redesign and the Status of Women

- Flexibility, Collective Bargaining and the Conditions of Work

- The Redesign of Working Time and the Quality of Working Life

A book publication of the conference papers is in preparation.

In print is also a publication of the Research Committee on "Theoretical and Methodological Trends in Sociology of Work", edited by Jolanta Kulpinska, on the basis of the revised papers from a workshop on that theme held in Jablonna (Poland) in January 1986.

A publication of the selected papers from RC 30 sersions at the 1986 World Congress of Sociology with G.M. Publishers, New Delhi, had been in preparation but was not completed because of a discontinuity of the publisher's cooperation.

Workshops planned in the next years are:

- in East Berlin (GDR), Spring 1989, on research in sociology of work and its practical application. Organizer: Rudhard Stollberg of Martin Luther University, Halle.

- in Bremen (FRG), Summer 1989, on new information technologies and organizational restructuring in office work and service. Organizer: Wolfgang Littek. - in Athens/Piraeus (Greece), organized by L.

- in Athens/Piraeus (Greece), organized by L. Nicolaou-Smokoviti of the Piraeus Graduate School of Business Studies, or in Lodz (Poland), organized by Jolanta Kulpinska, early Spring 1990, on main current problems in sociology of work.

As far as possible, the workshops have been used to hold board meetings and discuss matters and policy of the Research Committee. This practice shall be continued in the future.

In addition, the President and Secretary met several times for current business of the RC (in November 1986, May 1987, May 1988 and August 1988).

### Membership

The list of scholars interested in the RC 30 contains about 320 addresses. So far, to all these the RC Newsletter has been mailed in order to keep up the

flow of information. Only about 1/4 of these scholars, however, pay the membership fee of 40 DM, for 4 years. It is our deliberate policy to send out the Newsletter and give preference for participation in World Congress sessions to members in good standing. We are aware of the problem for members in countries with non-convertible currency. The board has taken a decision against waiving fees. Instead, other possibilities of payment for such members are sought, for example by collecting and keeping the fees in local currency, possibly with the national sociological association (such solution was reached e.g. in Poland), or by organizing conferences in those countries, etc.

### Newsletter

In recent years, the RC has produced Newsletters once a year. The aim is to have 2 issues a year in order to circulate more current information among the members about workshops, members' research activities, and decisions of the board. In addition, a presidential letter to all board members is sent more frequently.

# RC 31 SOCIOLOGY OF MIGRATION

Report submitted by Ursula Mehrländer, Secretary/Treasurer

World Congress in New Delhi, August 18-22, 1986
The Research Committee 31 held nine sessions at which about 35 papers were presented and discussed, as well as two business meetings. The sessions were scientifically rewarding and very well attended. Several new scholars showed considerable interest in our field. At the business meeting, the overall activities and future perspectives of the Committee were discussed. In particular, very useful proposals were made by several members on ways and means of organizing our intercongress meeting and enlarging our membership in order to make it as representative as possible of the world distribution of migration specialists (especially from Third World countries).

A number of the papers presented at the World Congress have been published in periodicals, e.g. International Migration, vol. XXV, 1987.

Inter-Congress meetings

One inter-Congress meeting of the Research Committee took place in Utrecht, The Netherlands, from March 30th to April 1st, 1989. It was organized by Han Entzinger of the Centre for Studies of Multi-Ethnic Society, University of Utrecht, and Ursula Mehrländer, of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Bonn, FRG. The theme of the conference was "Current Trends in Migration and Social Mobility of Migrants".

The second intercongress meeting of the Research Committee took place in Utrecht, The Netherlands, from March 30 to April 1, 1989. The conference was hosted by the Centre for the Study of Multi-Ethnic Society, University of Utrecht, in cooperation with the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Bonn, FRG. The main organizers of the conference were Han Entzinger (University of Utrecht) and Ursula Mehrländer (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung). The theme of conference was "Current Trends in Migration and Social Mobility of Migrants". Three one-day sessions consituted the program:

- New trends in international migration: international migration and the international division of labour, international migration and the developing world, international migration from a demographic perspective, intra-European migration after 1992;

- Social mobility of migrants in the labour market and in education: immigrants in the labour market-problems of adaptation or an ethnic underclass in formation?; immigrants in education: multi-culturalism, assimilation or marginality reproduced?
- The ethnic response: race or class?

Membership

The Research Committee has at present about 120 members. Some changes have occurred recently: some members have departed, mainly for reasons of age, and new members have been recruited. The membership fee is 20 US dollars for the four-year intercongress period. We have decided to waive payment of the membership fee by members living in countries where it is impossible to export currency. Those members should contact the Secretary/Treasurer. Each member is entitled to a 20% discount on the subscription to the "International Migration Review", New York.

Newsletter

In order to make our Newsletter an effective, worldwide channel for the collection and dissemination of information concerning research, symposia and other events in our field, it is published four times a year within the "International Migration Review", New York. Catherine Withol de Wenden-Didier (France) has kindly undertaken to act as editor of the Newsletter.

In 1987 the Committee received a grant from the ISA for the production of its Newsletter.

---- RC 32
----- WOMEN IN SOCIETY

Report submitted by Lourdes Arizpe, President

Results of the recently completed elections of the Committee Board for 1986-1990 are as follows:

Current Chair: Lourdes Arizpe

(Campestre 54, Mexico D.F. 01060, Mexico)

Chair-Elect: Neera Desai

(Research Unit Women's Studies, Vithaldas Vidya Vihar, Santacruz, Bombay 49, India)

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Inter-Congress Meeting

RC 32 organized its mid-congress meeting on the occasion of the World Congress of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences held on July 25-29, 1988 in Zagreb (Yugoslavia). Two themes were chosen for RC 32 sessions:

- Revivalism and Fundamentalism: Religious, Ethnic and National. Co-organisers: Neera Desai, Lina Mazumdar and Khawar Mumtaz.
- Women, Economic Transformations and the State. Coorganisers: Lourdes Arizpe and Geertje Lycklama.

— RC 33
— LOGIC AND METHODOLOGY

Report submitted by Manfred Kuechler, President

Statutes

During the 1982-1986 period several attempts were made to develop statutes and bylaws for the research committee. However, differences over due procedure among interested members of the committee and a general lack of interest on part of the membership at large prevented any significant progress. However, a set of 'statutory principles' was introduced and approved at the New Delhi business meeting. As the most significant change a principle of regional responsibility was introduced, electing one vice-president for each of up to seven regions (contingent upon sufficient regional membership). By giving (regional) vice-presidents more responsibilities and independence, it was hoped to increase in-between congress activities.

Membership

President and Secretary devoted much effort in keeping the old membership and attracting new members. Overall the membership drive has been successful. Currently RC 33 lists 118 members in good standing (i.e. with the dues of US \$10 for the four year period paid), 49 of which are new members. This membership total is only slightly lower than the figure reached at the end of the last period and signifies the continued strength of the committee.

Some problems remain. Most of the members reside in Western Europe and North America, though we were able to attract quite a number of Indian colleagues. VP Blaike has accepted the job of building up membership in Asia, Africa, and Oceania, and we expect to expand our membership in these regions. Membership in Eastern Europe could be increased rather rapidly, once we are able to solve the problem of paying dues in freely convertible currency. We are in the process of negotiating an innovative solution. Hopefully the much increased cooperation with scholars in Eastern Europe will soon show in the membership figures.

### Newsletter

Research Committee has continued to produce a Inual (now January and June) newsletter with the Secretary, Karl van Meter, serving as newsletter editor. The newsletter is published as a separate section of Bulletin de Methodologie Sociologique (ISSN 0759-1063) out of Paris, France. This arrangement is very cost efficient and provides maximum return on the newletter grant received from the ISA. In addition to the Newsletter, an electronic mail network has been established for the (occasional) distribution of dated materials, such as conference announcements and calls for papers. More ambitious plans of developing a regular electronic newsletter have been shelved due to the reluctance of many scholars to make use of this communication channel even where easily available.

### Conferences

The main objective of the Research Committee is to provide opportunities to meet and discuss topics within the realm of logic and methodology on a continuous basis beyond meeting every four years at the World Congress. Given the very modest amount of means the Research Committee commands, a most productive way to bring about meetings of this kind is the cooperation with other (national) organizations which on the burden of local organization. Typically, participants in these meetings cover their own expenses, which of course is detrimental to the attempt of involving a larger number of scholars from Third World countries. A series of such meetings - presented in 1988/1989:

- International Conference on Social Science Methodology, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, May 30 June 3, 1988. This conference was co-sponsored by the Section on Methodology and Statistics of the Yugoslav Sociological Association, the Research Institute of the Faculty of Sociology, Political Science and Journalism of the Edvard Kardelj University at Ljubljana, and the Sociometric Research Foundation, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, with Anuska Ferligoj (Ljubljana) as head of the local organizing committee. More than 150 scholars participated. This conference was a follow-up to the first international conference on methodology jointly sponsored by RC 33 and the Dutch Sociometric Society held in Amsterdam in the Fall of 1984.
- International Symposium on Operationalization and Research Strategy, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, September 8-9, 1988. This symposium was co-sponsored and locally organized by the research committee on 'Conceptualization and Research Design' of the Social and Cultural Section of the Netherlands Organization

for the Advancement of Pure Science with J.J, Hox in charge of arrangements. In this symposium the so-called 'data/model approach' was contrasted with the 'nomological approach'. The papers presented at the Symposium are currently being reworked for the Symposium Proceedings to be published by Swets & Zeitlinger, The Netherlands. The Proceedings will include a bibliography on the issues discussed.

- International Symposium on Methodological Aspects of Empirical Research in Sociology, Moscow, USSR, October 24-27, 1988. This conference was organized by the Institute for Sociological Research and the Soviet Sociological Association of the USSR Academy of Sciences with RC33-VP Vladimir Andreyenkov as head of the organizing committee. Main attention was given to methodology and methods of comparative sociological research. Due to logistic constraints not more than 30 foreign scholars could be received at the symposium.
- Workshop on Computer Aided Sociological Research, Holzhau (Dresden), GDR, Fall 1989. This workshop is being locally organized by the Institute of Sociology and Social Politics of the Academy of Sciences of the GDR under the leadership of Professor Horst Berger. The main topics for this workshop are: statistical data analysis and its application to empirical social research, mathematical modelling and computer simulation in social research, and new software systems in data analysis and simulation.

In addition to these conferences a special RC 33 session has been held at the 1987 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association in Chicago with Vp Kenneth Bailey as organizer and presider. A similar session is planned for the 1989 ASA meetings.

### Publications

Traditionally, the research committee has put little emphasis on initiating publications in the belief that the good work of its members will be published through the established channels. Recently, the close cooperation with the  $\frac{\text{Bulletin}}{\text{papers at RC}} \text{ } \frac{\text{Bulletin}}{\text{an}} \text{ } \frac{\text{de Methodologie}}{\text{dot}}$ 

Furthermore, individual members of the committee have always been encouraged to pursue options available to comprehensively document RC 33 (co-)sponsored events. In this vein, we are pleased to report that two volumes based on contributions to the 1984 Amsterdam conference (see above) have recently been published under the editorship of Willem E. Saris and Irmtraut N. Gallhofer (Amsterdam): Sociometirc Research vol.1: Data Collection and Scaling, vol.2: Data Analysis, London: Macmillan Press, 1988.

### Research roster

With Secretary Karl van Meter taking the lead, work is under way to expand the membership roster into a research directory describing both current (and past) research activities and interests of each member with the help of a topical keyword list. This will greatly facilitate locating other scholars sharing the same research interests and/or having special expertise in an area where advice is sought. A keyword list (a revised version of the list used by the SRM Documentation Center at the Erasmus University, Rotterdam, The Netherlands) has been distributed to the membership. After completion of data collection this roster will be made available to both the RC 33 membership and other research committees with a special interest in methodological topics.

### Cooperation with other research committees

In the past period close cooperation has been established with RC 35 Conceptual and Terminological Analysis and RC 25 Sociolinguistics resulting in a

total of three joint sessions as the New Delhi Congress. Our Research Committee will again be very active in planning joint sessions for the World

with other (national) Cooperation organizations.

We continue to seek close cooperation with any research organization sharing our substantive interests in both formal and informal ways (in particular via overlapping membership of RC 33 officers). We have agreements with several national organizations on the exchange of materials. These include the Bulgarian Sociological Association, SISWO (the Netherlands Universities Joint Social Research Center), and the Methodology Section of the American Sociological Association.

— RC 34

SOCIOLOGY OF YOUTH

Research Projects

Youth's Attitudes towards Work: "European Determinants, Action, Consequences"

Regions: Eastern Europe, Western Europe, USSR Term: 1987-1990

In charge: Jürgen Hartmann, Michael Stefanov

- "Social Problems of the Transition from Education to Work under the Ongoing Scientific Revolution" Regions: Eastern Europe, USSR Term: 1989

In charge: Vladimir Shoubkin, Jeno Andic

- "Work as a Value under the Conditions of the New Technologies"

A joint Bulgarian-Czechoslovakian project Term: 1988-1990

In charge: Michael Stefanov, Dalibor Holda

- "Regional Research Project on Youth in Asia and the Pacific Region

Term: 1988-1990

In charge: Yedla Simhadri

### Scientific conferences

- \* Youth Research in Scandinavia Oslo (Norway), January 1987. In charge: Jürgen Hartmann
- \* Youth and New Technologies. Varna (Bulgaria), May 1987. In charge: Michael Stefanov
- \* Estudios Investigaciones sobre Juventud en America Latina: Balance y Perspectivas, Buenos Aires (Argentina), August 1987, In charge: Cecilia Braslawski
- \* Meeting of the Heads of Research Centres and Institutes on Youth, Sofia (Bulgaria), September 1987, In charge: Michael Stefanov
- \* Young People and their Parents (organized jointly with Research Committee on Family Research). Freising (Munich, FRG), September 1987, In charge: Sibylle Hübner-Funk, Hans Bertram
- \* Education, Youth and Nation Building (organized jointly with Research Committee on Sociology of Education), Canberra (Australia), November 1987, In charge: Don Anderson
- \* Theoretical and Methodological Problems of Youth Research, Leipzig (GDR), December 1987. In charge:
- \* Youth Marginality in the Third World Countries, Visakhapatnam (India), February 1988. In charge: Yedla Simhadri
- \* Regional Conference on Youth and Democratization (Eastern European Region), Varna (Bulgaria), May 1988, In charge: Michael Stefanov

- \* Youth and Latin America, Montevideo (Argentina), Summer 1988, In charge: Cecilia Braslawski
- \* Regional Conference on Youth Research Problems: the USSR Region, Summer 1988, In charge: Vladimir Shoubkin \* Two Workshops on Social Problems of Transition from Education to Work under the Ongoing Scientific Revolution. Warsaw (Poland) and Budapest (Hungary), Spring/Summer 1988, in charge: Vladimir Shoubkin, Jenö Andic
- \* Youth at the Start of the Thrid Millennium: Problems and Prospects. Prague (CSSR), June 1988. In charge: Dalibor Holda
- \* Life Course and Generational Politics (organized jointly with ISPP), New York (USA), July 1988. In charge: Richard Braungart
- \* Youth Movements (organized jointly with the ASA), Atlanta (Georgia, USA), August 1988. In charge: Richard Braungart
- \* Youth Research and Social Action in the World of Youth: Reality and Perspectives. Romania, Fall 1988. In charge: Marin Manolescu.
- \* Evaluation Conference on Integration of Youth into Society and Transition from School to Work, Bellagio (Italy), Fall 1988, In charge: Jürgen Hartmann, Par Groorings
- \* Development of Creative Personalities during Adolescence, Leipzig (GDR), December 1988. In charge: Walter Friedrich
- \* Continuing Education for Young Girls: Regional Workshop in Asia, December 1988. In charge: Yedla Simhadri
- \* Afro-Arab Youth: Present Problems and Future Prospects, Cairo (Egypt), March 1989. In charge: Ahmed Abdalla
- \* Inequalities in the Social Conditions of Youth, Budapest (Hungary), May or September 1989. In charge:
- \* Panel on an Age-Related Topic (organized jointly with ISPP), Tel-Aviv (Israel), 1989. In charge: Richard Braungart
- \* Nordic Youth Research, Västeras (Sweden), 1989. In charge: Jürgen Hartmann
- \* International Meeting on Problems of Youth Research, Varna (Bulgaria), 1989. In charge: Michael Stefanov
- \* Youth and the Techno-Scientific Revolution, Leipzig (GDR), 1989. In charge: Walter Friedrich

### Publications

- \* "International Bulletin of Youth Research (IBYBA". Editor: Rudolf Mayer
- \* "Third World Youth Series". Editors: Ahmed Abdalla, Cecilia Braslawski, Yedla Simhadri
- \* "Transition from School to Work". Editors: Michael Stefanov, Peter Grootings
- \* "Youth and New Technologies". Editor: Michael Stefanov
- \* "European Youth's Attitudes towards Work". Editors: Jürgen Hartmann, Michael Stefanov

- RC 35

COMMITTEE ON CONCEPTUAL AND TERMINOLOGICAL ANALYSIS

From "COCTA News", Nos.2 and 3, 1988

COCTA has taken the initiative of a number of conceptual and linguistic analyses of social science concepts (e.g.: ethnicity, growth and power). COCTA has tried to promote the work on the methodology of conceptual and linguistic analysis as in the Giovanni Sartori basic semantic model and Fred W. Riggs' anasemantic (or onomantic) model, and on concepts of 'development' - a truly interdisciplinary concept in the social sciences.

New project on conceptualization of 'development' has been launched. In COCTA experience, the theme 'development' is the oldest, having been the focus of discussion at the ISA World Congress in Uppsala, 1978. From it was derived the essay on "Development" by F. Riggs which appeared in Giovanni Sartori's COCTA-sponsored volume Social Science Concepts (Sage, 1986). A pilot INTERCOCTA glossary project on development was prepared in Spanish, at CENDES in Caracas (Venezuela).

Publication and the Pilot Project

A detailed explanation of guide-lines for the preparation and utilization of an INTERCOCTA glossary has now been published by UNESCO under the title The INTERCOCTA Manual: Towards an International Encyclopaedia of Social Science Terms (Paris: UNESCO) by Fred Riggs.

The basic guide-lines offered in the Manual are based on experience gained in the pilot project for "ethnicity research". These theme proved most suitable because of its multi-disciplinary and multi-lingual interest. Round-tables and panels on problems of ethnic terminology have been held at world sociology, political science and anthropology congresses, under COCTA sponsorship. Interest in the pilot project has to the launching of parallel versions of the elicity glossary in several other languages.

RC 36
ALIENATION THEORY AND RESEARCH

Report submitted by Felix R. Geyer, President

### Conference

RC 36 co-organized one joint conference with RC 10 on "Social Movements as a Force of De-alienation", March 14-18, 1988 in Dubrovnik (Yugoslavia). Some 20 papers were discussed by 30 particioants from 14 countries. There are as yet tentative plans to publish a selection of the contributions.

The Research Committee is organizing a session on (political) alienation at the 12th Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, June 18-23, 1989 in Tel-Aviv, Israel.

### Newsletter

The secretariat is now being transferred to Walter Heinz who will produce and mail the Newsletter from B en (FRG). An editorial collective has been established to provide better regional coverage, and to assist Walter Heinz in preparing the Newsletter. The regional editors and correspondents are:

Africa: S. Adjebeng-Asem

Asia: R. Ganesan

Western Europe: W. Heinz

Eastern Europe: V. Arzensek and M. Markovic

North America: F. Johnson

Latin America: to be named at a later date

Middle East: M: Rosner

### Publications

The Committee now has its own book series published with Science Reviews Ltd. in England. The first volume in this series was a report from the 1980 Messina conference of the RC 36 "Alienation and Anomie Revisited", ed. S. Shoham, which was published already in 1982. A volume resulting from the 1983 Messina conference will be published this year under the title "Theories of Alienation and Violence" ed. S. Shoham, as will a volume with considerably revised papers from the Mexico City World Congress "Alienation Theories and De-alienation Strategies: Perspectives in Philosophy and the Social Sciences" eds. D. Schweitzer and R.F: Geyer. Last year, moreover, a monograph by the series' managing editor Shlomo Shoham was published under the title "Rebellion, Creativity and Alienation".

Two more volumes sponsored by the RC 36 are in preparation:

\* a volume resulting from the 1984 conference in Columbus, Ohio, on "Urban Alienation: the Search for De-Alienation Strategies" edited by the organizer of this conference, Andrew Oldenquist, and now in an advanced stage of preparation;

\* a volume with a selection of papers from the ten sessions of the Research Committee at the New Delhi World Congress, co-edited by Frank Johnson and Alan Whitehorn, and entitled "Work, Alienation, and Political Change". This volume is divided into throse sections: theoretical issues, European and American case studies, and case studies from the Third World.

Membership

RC 36 has presently 316 persons from 36 countries. Unfortunately, however, the well-known problem is that the majority of these researchers does not pay any membership dues. It was announced then in the September 1988 Newsletter that those whose (\$25 per tour years) payment had not been received by the end of the year, would in principle be skipped from the 3C 36 mailing list, unless a motivated request for an exemption of dues plus proof of some activity in the alienation field during the past five years had been submitted.

RC 38
BIOGRAPHY AND SOCIETY

Report submitted by Daniel Bertaux, President

At the XI World Congress of Sociology (New Delhi, 1986) our Research Committee organized nine sessions, including a joint sessions with RC "Women and Society". Altogether 31 papers were actually presented during these sessions; 18 more papers were made available in written form to the audience although their authors were not able to come to the Congress.

Each session organizer was subsequently asked to write a report on the session s/he organized, including a description of each paper's contents and on topics and points which came up in the discussions. These reports were published in RC Newsletter no. 7 (November 1988). It seemed to us important that all our members be kept informed of the most important event in the RC's life.

Membership

Membership dues have been 100FF/US \$15 per year since 1987. In December 1985, the Research Committee numbered 114 members from 26 countries. The Committee has now 155 members representing 29 countries: 102 members from Europe, 46 from America (North and South), 3 from Asia, 4 from Australia.

### Publications

The newsletter Biography and Society (80 pp. approximately) is published twice a year. Every issue is put out by a different editor, often but not always a member of the Board. The contents covers a wide range of information: current international news, new publications, on-going research projects, upcoming conferences, and - especially - recent developments in the editor's country. At times it also features papers by members of the Committee.

To this date nine issues of the newsletter have been published.

Issue 7, November 1986 (50 pp.) was edited by Daniel Bertaux in Paris. It included reports on the nine sessions held by our Research Committee in New Delhi.

Issue 8, July 1988 (112 pp) was edited by Erika M. Hoerning and Wolfram Fischer in Germany. It included a bibliography of 435 titles, a paper by Fritz Schütze, a news report from Poland, etc.

Maria I. Macioti with the collaboration of Consuelo Corradi edited issue 9 in Rome. Its core is made up of nine papers by Italian scholars, on the life history approach.

Issue 10 (in press) is being edited by Jane Synge (McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada).

A <u>Directory of Members</u> of the RC 38 was first published in December 1985. A second updated and revised edition appeared in May 1988.

Life Stories / Récits de vie

In 1985, one of our members, Paul Thompson (University of Colchester, Essex, UK), being already the founder and editor of the semestrial journal Oral History, proposed to Daniel Bertaux to publish annually a third issue of Oral History under the title Life Stories / Récits de vie. After two years Life Stories / Récits de vie became independent from Oral History. This annual journal is run independently from the Research Committee (financial resources are kept separate, the Editorial Board has been coopted, not elected) but most of the RC members are its subscribers. The chief editors are Daniel Bertaux, Paul Thompson, Brian Elliott, JP Roos. The journal presently has a circulation of 700 copies.

Several members of the Committee have published papers in Les Récits de vie. Théorie, Méthode et Trajectoires types (Danielle Desmarais and Paul Grell, eds.), Editions Saint-Martin, Montréal, 1986, and in Annales de Vaucresson, no. 26, 1987/1 "Histoires de vies, Histoires de familles, Trajectoires sociales".

SAGE has agreed to publish a new volume following Biography and Society. It should be ready in time for the next World Congress.

### Scientific Activities

\* An international conference on the theme "Biographie et Cycle de vie", jointly organized by the RC 38 and the Groupe d'Etude et de Recherche Sociologique sur la Transformation des Modes de vie" (GERCOM) took place in Marseilles, France, June 27-29, 1988. Professors Ferrarotti, Kohli, Roos, Bertaux and several other members of the Research Committee presented papers, as well as new members and also well-known French scholars not especially connected with life-historical research (Professors Jean-Claude Passeron, Annick Percheron). Francis Godard was the conference organizer.

The eighteen pepers are presently available in a volume edited by the guest instituteion, the Centre d'Etude et de Recherche Sociologique sur la Transformation des Modes de Vie (CERCOM).

Since its foundation the RC 38 has developed quite satisfactorily. It remains however very much a Euro-American network. We will try during these two coming years to develop the network towards the Third World in general and Africa in particular. To this end, we are planning to circulate the newsletter free of charge to different institutions and libraries.

This however can only be done if we keep all our Euro-American membership by offering it high quality services through the newsletter. Thanks to our rotating editorship the system has worked smoothly so far.

RC 39
SOCIOLOGY OF DISASTER

Report submitted by Russel R. Dynes, President

### History

The research committee came into formal existence during the XI World Congress of Sociology in New

Delhi, India, August 18-22, 1986. However, the formal action of the ISA in creating the Research Committee had been preceded by a number of years of activity on the part of various individuals to create a structure for continuing international cooperation among those interested in the social scientific study of disaster. That activity was initiated at the VIII World Congress which met in Toronto in 1974, then followed by sessions at the IX World Congress, meeting in Uppsala, Sweden, and the X World Congress, meeting in Mexico City, and finally as a working group, presented in New Delhi seven sessions, including two which focused on Bhopal. Much of the continuity of the planning effort during that period was directed by E. O. Ouarantelli (USA). These sessions at the various World Congresses were supplemented by yearly meetings of the Committee, which took place during the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association. This allowed both formal papers, which might not be included in the regular ASA program but also informal discussion among those who attended.

Publications

More formal communications among those interested in disaster have been facilitated by the publication of many of the papers presented at the Toronto meeting in Disasters: Theory and Method, edited by Quarantelli and published in Sage Studies of International Sociology in 1978.

In 1982, a journal was initiated, The International Journal of Mass Emergencies and Disasters, co-edited by Quarantelli and Orjan Hultaker (Sweden) and published in Sweden.

This was followed the next year with a newsletter publication, entitled <u>Unscheduled Events</u>, and edited by Jan Trost in Sweden.

Those two publications continue. The Journal is currently edited by Thomas Drabek (University of Denver, USA) and Neil Britton (Cumberland College of Health Sciences, Australia). The newsletter is now edited by Joanne Nigg (USA) and is published at Arizona State University. The Journal is now published there also.

Another activity of the Research Committee has been the recent publication of Sociology of Disasters:
Contribution of Sociology to Disaster Research, edited by Russull R. Dynes (USA), Bruno De Marchi (Italy), and Carlo Pelanda (Italy) and published by Fig. of Angeli, Milan, in 1987. The content of the book examines the ways in which standard sociological concepts have been used in disaster research and, in turn, how these concepts have been informed by that research. The contributors to that volume come from Italy, Australia, Federal Republic of Germany, Japan, as well as from the USA.

Activities

In the development of the by-laws, the general objectives of the Committee were stated "to promote the social scientific study of disaster" but "more specifically, the purpose is to help increase scientific knowledge and understanding of the social and behavioural aspects of sudden collective stress situations, usually called disasters or mass emergencies. These situations are most often created by natural disaster agents and technological accidents, but are sometimes associated with acute environmental threats, abrupt shortages of vital resources, focalized violent intergroup conflicts and other kinds of major hazards to life, property, well being and everyday routines. The committee is supportive of research on individual, group, organizational, community, societal and international responses to and recoveries from the indicated kinds of mass emergencies". Since the topic extends beyond the usual sociological conceptualization, the membership within the committee is broadly "social" science, rather than narrowly

sociological and, thus, the committee is multidisciplinary in scope. This has allowed the committee to lend its support and endorsement to disaster-related conferences in Italy, India and Brazil. The topic also has close relationship with public policy, and the Executive Committee of the ISA has asked the current President, Russell R. Dynes, to represent ISA in the current UN planing effort which called for the 1990's to be a Decade of Natural Disaster Reeducation.

The <u>membership</u> of the Committee is around 200, with members in over 20 countries.

# RC 40 SOCIOLOGY OF AGRICULTURE

At the 1988 meeting of the ISA Research Coordinating Committee and the Research Council, the Working Group on Sociology of Agriculture was granted the status of a Research Committee. The Research Coordinating Committee has also changed the name of the Group from Schology of Agriculture to Rural Sociology. The decision of the Research Coordinating Committee has found great opposition among members of the Group. It was pointed out that Sociology of Agriculture is not an aspect of interpretation of Rural Sociology. Rather, it is a substantive area which differs in content and outlook from Rural Sociology. In this respect, Rural Sociology is dedicated to the study of every topic found in sociology (including demography, deviance, family, community, political sociology, social change, etc.) with emphasis on rural settings. Sociology of Agriculture, on the contrary, addresses a specific set of topics which are not necessarily rural in outlook and are not included in the agenda of other existing research committees.

The Research Coordinating Committee reconsidered its decision and approved of the original name of the Group: Sociology of Agriculture.

Current officers of the Research Committee are:

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Board Members: Ana Barbic, Yugoslavia, Manuel Belo Moreira, Portugal, Ivan Sergio De Souza, Brazil

### Activities

The Group has coordinated activities among members through periodical information and consultation. A newsletter has been published at least twice a year for the last four years. The Group has expanded its membership, which now includes a substantial contingent of scholars from the Third World countries as well as a large number of scholars from Europe and North America.

The Group has organized five open sessons at the 1988 World Congress of Rural Sociology (Bologna, Italy). A total of 24 papers were selected for presentation.

The Group is actively involved in the organization of an International Symposium in Paris, France, scheduled for the latter part of May 1989 and and addressed to members of the Group together with other interested social scientists from around the world. Publications: an edited volume containing papers presented at the Sociology of Agriculture sessions at the XI World Congress of Sociology in New Delhi (1986) was submitted for consideration for publication. Furthermore, members of the Group have published a significant number of articles and books at the international level.

### RC 41 SOCIOLOGY OF POPULATION

The Research Committee came into formal existence during the 1988 meeting of the Research Coordinating Committee and the Research Council in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia.

The current officers of the RC are:

Convenor: Farhat Yusuf

School of Economic and Financial Studies Macquaire University

North Ryde, NSW 2113, Australia

Council Members: Frans Leeuw, The Netherlands, William Stinner, USA

As a result of the interesting and well attended sessions at the New Delhi World Congress of Sociology, the Group was able to attract many new members. Its membership now consists of 52 financial members from 16 different countries.

Selected papers from the Delhi Congress are being reviewed for possible publication in the form of a short book on sociology of population.

Although the Group scheduled a 2-3 day scientific meeting in 1988, it was decided to postpone it so that it could be held just before the Conference of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population in 1989.

# RC 42 SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

This Research Committee was formally recognized by the Research Coordinating Committee and the Research Council in September 1988, Ljubljana, Yugoslavia. The Committee's Chairman is Mincho Draganov

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During the World Congress of Sociology in New Delhi (1986), the Working Group on Social Psychology held a number of well attended sessions. During the two years following the Congress, a production of the Bulletin of the Working Group was started.

In May 1987 in Varna (Bulgaria) the 7th General Meeting of the European Association of Experimental Social Psychology took place, and within its framework a meeting of social psychologists was held.

In May 1988 a two-day seminar was held in Sofia (Bulgaria) devoted to "The Social Dimention", Volume I, of the basic publication of the European Association of Social Psychologists.

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