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EPORTS FROM THE COLLECTIVE MEMBERS OF THE ISA

International Sociological Association recognizes five categories of members:

A: National sociological societies duly established and open to all active and qualified sociologists within the territory of the given country;

B: International and multinational regional associations of sociologists whether of a general character or limited to a particular field of sociology;

C: Research institutions and university departments active in the field of sociology;

D: Individual scholars active in sociological teaching, research or related services;

E: Supporting organizations and institutions;

F: A special category of membership including associations, organizations and institutions satisfying high scientific standards, but not fitting into any of the other categories.

We have invited all ISA collective members, i.e. those belonging to category A,B,C,E or F, to submit report on their recent activities. In this issue of the *ISA Bulletin* we are presenting reports received by October 31st, 1991.

CATEGORY A: NATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

Australian Sociological Association

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In 1988 Sociological Association of Australia and New Zealand (SAANZ) was divided into two separate associations: The Australian Sociological Association (TASA) in Australia, and the Sociological Association of Aetearoa in New Zealand.

TASA provides its members with:

• The Australian and New Zealand Journal of Sociology (ANZJS), an internationally recognized journal which is the main publishing outlet for sociological research and analysis in Australia. Three issues are produced annually.

 The Association Newsletter NEXUS containing information on conferences, overseas visitors, and current issues in Australian sociology. NEXUS is published four times a year.

An Annual Conference

 Special interest sections and conferences

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The Austrian Sociological Association (ÖGS) has about 500 members, most of them are graduate sociologists. There is also a possibility for advanced students of sociology to apply for membership. The annual general meeting decides about admission of the applicants.

ÖGS has five main types of activities:

Regular, bi-annual scientific meetings;

• Editorship of the scientific quarterlyjournalÖsterreichsche Zeitschrift für Soziologie, founded in 1976;

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 Editorship of a quarterly newsletter ÖGS-Informationen;
 Editorship of Materials of ÖGS published in two volumes: Professional Fields for Sociologists (1989) and Teaching of Sociology in Austria (1990);

 Within ÖGS there are 14 subsections which work quite independently: sociology of medicine, technic, economy, work and industry, culture, family, sport, history of sociology, methods of sociology, sociology as teaching profession, women in society, migration, social policy, sociological theory.

General thematic subjects of the previous scientific meetings were: Work and Education (1977), State-controlled Inequality (1979), Future of Work - Future without Work (1981), 1984: Fantasy, Fiction, Reality (1983), Women: The Other Part of Society (1985), Society at the Frontiers (1987), Culture and Society (1988, together with the sociological associations of Switzerland and Germany), Teaching of Sociology (1989).

The 1991 meeting was organized on the theme Integration -Disintegration, Change of Society. The meeting took place in Linz and many sociologists from other European countries, especially from Eastern Europe, attended the congress. The plenary themes were: Theoretical Approaches to the Problem Integration and Disintegration; The Future of State; Old Social Structures-New Milieus; Cultural Transformation-Political Change.

In August 1992 the First Éuropean Conference of Sociology will be held in Vienna under the auspices of the ÖGS. Sociologists of all European countries will participate in this conference. It is the first venture to make a forum to sociologists from East and West Europe and will be a significant event in the history of European sociology.

Report submitted by Sylvia Supper

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In June 1991, the Bulgarian Sociological Association hold its Sixth Extraordinary Congress. Besides organizational matters, the Congress discussed issues of empirical sociological research in the period of social changes, of the professionalism of Bulgarian sociologists (training, qualification, professional fulfillment, unemployment) and moral aspects of their activities, national and international aspects of sociology.

It was decided that the BSA supports the Moral Code of the International Association for Public Opinion Research.

Among other resolutions, Bulgarian sociologists decided to undertake the initiative of setting up in Bulgaria a Foundation Sociology with international participation.

Report submitted by S. Bogatzevski, Secretary

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Background information

The Colombian Sociological Association (ACS) was founded in 1962 by a group of sociologists interested in promoting the development of social sciences in the country. Professors Orlando Fals Borda and Camilo Torres, members at that time of the recently founded School of Sociology at the National University, were the most enthusiastic mentors of that project. The main objectives were oriented to stimulate sociological research, to encourage joint programs between national and international social scientists and to protect professional work of the sociological schools' alumni.

Among the most important activities undertaken during the 60's can be mentioned the organization of the First and Second National Sociological Congress in 1963 and 1967 and the VII Latinamerican Sociological Congress held in August 1964 with the participation of a large group of sociologists from Latin America, U.S. and Europe.

It should be noted that the activities of Colombian sociologist are undertaken in the most profound social, economic and political unrest. In fact, Colombian society is presently confronting rural and urban violence of different types, which are effecting the normal functioning of the academic institutions and the free exercise of the intellectuals' roles.

Organizational structure

The ACS is directed by an executive committee of six members elected by a General Assembly for a two year period. In those States (Departamentos) where there are large working groups of sociologists, they can organize "Capitulos" (chapters) which are working committees, whose main goal is to motivate professional and academic activities at the regional levels.

One of the most important tasks of the ACS and its chapters is the periodic organization (every two or three years) of the National Sociological Congress. During the last ten years, four of these meetings have been organized.

Academic activities

In addition to the previously mentioned activities, the ACS has made great efforts to promote Research Committees on Education, Politics, Health,

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Women's Studies, and Rural and Urban Problems. Given the time and financial limitations to undertake social research, as well as the instability of most Colombian Universities, the development of these groups have been very limited with the exception of the Women's Studies Committee.

Publications

Besides the periodical Bulletin Sociólogos y Sociología, the ACS has published 13 books, most of which seek to diffuse papers presented and discussed at the National Congresses, as well as in the Research Committees of the Association.

At the moment efforts are oriented to promote new editions of earlier sociological publications, in order to rescue them for the new generations of sociologists. A first product of this decision was the publication of Camilo Torres book La Proletarización de Bogotá (Bogotá, 1987).

Report submitted by Gonzalo Cataño, Scientific Secretary

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The Danish Sociological Association is a member of the Scandinavian Sociological Association.

Membership: 405 sociologists and cultural anthropologists

Official journal: Dansk Sociologi (Danish Sociology) edited by Heine Andersen, published four times a year

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Origins

The Westermarck Society (the Finnish Sociological Association) was established in 1940, and was named after Edward Westermarck, a famous Finnish anthropologist who held a professorship at the University of London. The Westermarck Society is one of the oldest Finnish academic organizations, and it has a relatively large number of members when compared to other scientific organizations in the country. At present it has 1.200 members, of whom approximately 400 are students. Membership of the society is restricted to individuals.

Recent activities

The Westermarck Society organizes an annual national two-day conference with plenary sessions and working groups where the most recent and ongoing research is presented. The yearly meeting has a theme which connects the plenary sessions together, and also brings up current problems and discussions within sociology and society at large. Conference attendances range from 200 to 300 participants.

In 1991 the meeting was held in Helsinki around the theme of *People on the Move*. The 1990 meeting was held in Tampere with *The Critical Potential in Current Sociology* as its theme.

Organizational structure

The Westermarck Society is run by a president, with the help of a secretary and a treasurer. The Board of the Westermarck Society consists of 13 to 15 members, representing different universities and sociology departments. The presidency, vice-presidency and secretaryship rotate all on an annual basis.

Publications

The Westermarck Society publishes a sociological journal *Sosiologia* in Finnish and Swedish with English summaries. It is published four times a year, with emphasis on discussion and recent research. The current editor is Pertti Alasuutari (University of Tampere) and the editorial secretary is Jari Aro (University of Tampere).

Much of the research -especially research of an empirical nature- is published in the research series of different universities, research institutes and research units.

In addition to the journal *Sosiologia*, the Society publishes a series entitled *Transactions of the Westermarck Society.*

The Westermarck Society is one of the publishers of Acta Sociologica, the Journal of the Scandinavian Sociological Association.

Until the 1980s, Finnish sociologists published their work mainly in Finnish, with a few well-known exceptions. However, the trend to publish internationally has increased quickly in recent times, hence with some 60 presentations, Finnish sociologists were among the largest of the groups to participate in the recent Madrid World Congress of Sociology.

Report submitted by Anne Kovalainen, Secretary

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Journées Annuelles de la Société Français de Sociologie.

Octobre 11-12, 1991: "Processus d'Innovation aux Fronteres des Disciplines dans les Sciences Sociales"

Publications Récent

Normes juridiques et régulation sociale (Journées annuelles de la SFS, Bordeaux 1987), Editeur LGDT, Paris 1991

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The Hellenic Sociological Association was founded in 1983 as a scientific and professional body of representation for then exclusively foreign educated Greek sociologists. With the introduction of sociology in degree granting programs at Panteion University and the University of Crete, it subsequently grew to a present dues paying membership of about 200 colleagues.

Among the **priorities** of the Association have been organizational and constitutional matters, the development of jobs for sociologists, the support of members employed in different settings, and the scientific development and upgrading of members. Colleagues teaching at the lycees are concerned with pedagogical questions and acceptance by educational system. Those employed by state and municipal authorities encounter problems stemming from organizational anachronisms, pervasive reluctance and often suspicion of "powers that be" concerning the usefulness of the discipline.

During the past year, the HSA organized seven didactic seminars under the general theme Sociological Research and Contemporary Greek Society, which were attended by an average of fifty colleagues. Presently, we are working on a proposal for the sociological subjects in high school and a code of ethics. Ideas and existing materials will be highly useful and appreciated.

Finances remain a top problem as high unemployment and income levels preclude substantial fee increases. A much needed small office was rented this year and we issue a quarterly *Newsletter*.

The Hellenic Sociological Association will be happy to host lectures and workshops by colleagues who pass through Greece. Please contact Paraskevi Galinou at 01-76-66-597.

Report submitted by Paraskevi Galinou, Secretary

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The Sociological Association of Ireland was founded in 1973 and acts as a forum for the discussion and analysis of social issues, particularly those related to Irish society. It constitutes an important network for those concerned with theoretical and empirical issues in the social sciences and is a vital resource for those wishing to identify and make contact with other social scientists.

Organisational structure

The Association is controlled by the Annual General Meeting of members held each year at the Conference. The AGM elects an Executive Committee which meets throughout the year to ensure the smooth running of the Association's affairs. Any member can influence policy by submitting resolutions to the AGM, or by standing for election to the Executive Committee.

Conferences

The SAI holds its annual conference in May of each year. The conference is residential. It is well attended and is typically a stimulating and sociable event. Recent conference themes include: Culture and Ideology in Ireland, Ideology and Popular Culture, Methodological Issues in Sociology, Poverty and Wealth: a divided society, The State and Economic Development.

The conference theme for May 1992 is The New Europe: Single Market - Single Society?

Publications

The SAI publishes a *Bulletin* which goes out to members four times a year. The Bulletin contains features, news about other occasional seminars, conferences, new titles and book reviews and any matters concerning the Association itself. Each year a register of members is published which keeps members informed of new addresses, research interests and publications.

SAI Publications:

Whose Law and Order, ed. M. Tomlinson, T. Varley, C. McCullagh, Belfast, SAI, 1989. Gender in Irish Society, ed. C. Curtin, P. Jackson, B.O'Connor, Galway University Press, 1987.

Ireland - A Sociological Profile, ed. C.Curtin, M. Kelly, L.O'Dowd, Galway University Press, 1985 (an updated 2nd edition of this book will be available next year).

Cultureand Ideology in Ireland, ed. C. Curtin, M. Kelly, L.O'Dowd, Dublin, IPA & SAI, 1984.

Power, Conflict and Inequality, ed. M. Kelly, L.O'Dowd, J. Wickham, Dublin, Turoe Press, 1982.

Report submitted by Madeleine Leonard, Public Relations Officer

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Main activities planned by the Mexican Sociological Association for 1991 are:

 punctual publication of Revista Interamericana de Sociología, a journal of the MSA;

 a bi-national seminar(Mexico) and Spain) on Sociology and Ideology, Society and the State, Social Changes - Sociological Changes. To be organized by the MSA in cooperation with the Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; an international seminar on the consequences of a free trade treaty between Canada, Mexico and the United States, on the Latin-American business. Seminar is organized by the MSA in cooperation with the Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Instituto de Proposiciones Estratégicas, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Unidad Azcapozalco. creation of a Working Group on Science and Technology Studies to carry on interdisciplinary research and to prepare specialists in these topics. It is a long-term project sponsored by the MSA, Institute de Investigaciones Sociales UNAM, and Instituto Iberoamericano de Estudios sobre la Ciencia y la Tecnología.

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First sociological study organization was founded in Mongolia in early 1970's under the name of the Mongolian Association of Philosophy and Sociology at the Academy of Sciences of the Mongolian People's Republic. On 16th March 1991, the Mongolian Association of Sociology was set up as an independent body.

The aims of the Mongolian Association of Sociology are: • to unite Mongolian sociologists in order to promote sociological study in the country

 to popularize sociological study in the country

• to provide Mongolian sociologists with necessary and adequate information from the relevant sources of various world research institutions

to render methodological assistance to those engaged in sociological study in Mongolia
to maintain contacts with international, regional and local sociological research organizations and individual researchers.

The highest body of the Mongolian Association of Sociology is its Congress which shall be convened every five years.

Activities

MAS has set up several centers of sociological studies throughout the country, conducting research on present day situation of Mongol herdsmen, workers and intellectuals.

MAS and the Mongolian National University are carrying out demographic study at the University's newly established demography laboratory. There are also some research groups studying various political movements and parties in the country.



Publications

At present, MAS contributes to an annual magazine *Philosophical and Sociological Studies* published by the Academy of Sciences. Plans are being made to launch its own journal.

Report submitted by S. Tumur-Ochir, President

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Origins

The Dutch Sociological and Anthropological Association (NSAV) celebrates its 55th anniversary in 1991. On April 4th, 1936, at 3 p.m. was founded the Nederlandse Sociologische Vereeniging (first president: W.A. Bonger). The aim of the association at that time was to form a link between scholars of social sciences in the large sense and thus furthering the development of these sciences. As was the case in many European countries at that time, sociology was defined as a cover for the different social sciences. In 1965 the statutes were changed to the effect that the aim of the association was to further the development of sociology in the Netherlands as well as to further the social conditions for such development. From the period 1963/1965 on the association has become bifocal: next to its scholarly orientation, it has developed its professional character an has acted as an interest group of and for sociologists.

It is member of ISA since 1950.

In 1971 the name of the association was changed and the letter "A" was added to the acronym recognizing the equality and the autonomy of the anthropologists.

Moreover, anthropologists are represented statutorily in the executive.

Membership

At January 1st, 1991 total membership amounted to 1467.

NSAV members can join any of the following working groups: • Section Cultural Anthropology and Sociology of non Western

Societes (Secretary: H. Dahles); • Sociology of Religion (Secretary: H.C. Stofffels);

• Workgroup Sociology of Figuration (Secretary: C. Bouw)

Publications

Newsletter Sociodrome, published since 1976, appears 5 times a year. Editor: I. Cieraad.

The NŠAV publishes also a journal *The Netherlands' Journal of Social Sciences* in which selected articles from Dutch language journals are being translated into English. Managing Editor: K. Verrips.

Congresses 1990

Amsterdam: Social Science Symposium: Women/Men -Changes in the social relations
Amersfoort: "What has the Dutch Sociology achieved?"
Amsterdam: 8th meeting of Medical Sociology and Anthro-

pology

Awards

Verwey-Jonker Award is attributed to young sociologists and/or anthropologists who present the most outstanding papers at the Flemish/Dutch Symposium. Four awards have been granted since 1984.

NSAV Essay Award was created to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the NSAV. It is awarded every second year to the author of the best Dutchlanguage essay in sociology or anthropology, submitted to a jury of prominent sociologists and anthropologists. This award has been granted in 1989 and 1991.

Professor Van Heek Award is given for the best essay on a topic from the social sciences written by a high school pupil, during the National Science Week. This award has been granted in 1991.

NSAV Best Scientific Article Award is given every second year to the authors of the best article published in the last two years in the Dutch sociological journals. This award has been granted for the first time in 1990.

Ethical Code

Since 1975 the NSAV has an ethical code for sociologists.

The Sociological Association of Aotearoa

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Origins

The Sociological Association of Aotearoa, known as SAA for short, currently has approximately 140 members. Support has steadily grown since SAA replaced the founding organization, the New Zealand Sociological Association, in 1987-88.

One of the pleasing aspects of SAA's steady growth is that it is attracting members from a variety of settings, and not just from academe. Sociologists in government, in private consultancy, in local government, secondary school teachers, polytechnic tutors and, of course sociology students, are well represented in the membership.

Activities

SAA sends 3 newsletters per year to its members, and initiates an annual 3 day sociology conference (usually held in December), the venue for which rotates from one university campus to another. As from late 1991, SAA will also be producing a membership directory, which will facilitate the networking of sociologists with common areas of interest.

Besides seeking to represent the interests of New Zealand sociologists, and providing direct benefits to members, the Association maintains links with the wider sociological community through, for example, membership of the ISA.

David Thorns, of Canterbury University, and Jeff Sissons, of Otago University, were present at the 1990 World Congress of Sociology in Madrid, where David attended meetings of the ISA Council as a representative of SAA. David's reflections on that Congress, published in the November SAA newsletter. concluded that "World Congresses, by their sheer size and diversity, are inherently frustrating affairs but they are also intrinsically interesting and simulating. They are meeting places where you are encouraged by the fact that your discipline is alive and well".

Several areas of activity and accomplishment were of importance to the Association in 1990. A Code of Ethics was ratified at the 1990 A.G.M. and will be disseminated to all existing and new members. The Code represents an important step in the development of the Association. In the words of Paul Spoonley, past-President of the Association, it "helps establish us as a credible Association with a clear conception of our political and social responsibilities .. ".

A second accomplishment, which owes much to Paul Spoonley's personal energy, was the establishment of the **Oxford University Press So**ciology Prize, which will encourage excellence in postgraduate work in New Zealand sociology. The Prize, which consists of a sum of money (\$500) and publication of the winning thesis by Oxford University Press, will be offered for the first time in November 1991. The selection panel will consist of two members of the Executive of SAA and the Managing Editor of OUP in New Zealand.

A third important activity, and one which will be ongoing, is furthering biculturalism in the Association and in New Zealand sociology generally. **Te Tiriti o Waitangi** (the Treaty of Waitangi), 1840, which is the founding charter of Aotearoa-New Zealand, requires a partnership between the tangata whenua (the original Maori inhabitants of the land) and Pakeha (later arriving, predominately European) New Zealanders.

The Constitution of SAA recognizes and upholds Te Tiriti, and, in the words of Bill Willmott, Professor of Sociology at Canterbury University, "our responsibility under Te Tiriti o Waitangi means striving to ensure that our research and teaching, our 'development and dissemination of sociological knowledge' (in the words of the SAA Constitution) contributes towards more justice in relations between Pakeha and Maori in Aotearoa".

An overwhelming proportion of sociologist and sociology students in Aotearoa-New Zealand are of European origin, and the Association is committed to fostering Maori sociology and Maori sociologists. During 1990, heads of departments of sociology were contacted by the President of the Association to find out what their departments were doing to present Te Tiriti in teaching and research.

The 1991 Executive has commissioned a Wellington-based working party to present the next A.G.M. of the Association with policy directives for furthering biculturalism. In addition, a bibliography of Treaty issues is to be commissioned; funds are to be sought to provide Maori sociology graduates with financial assistance; and a list of recent Maori graduates will be compiled with a view to establishing a resource group for the Association.

On a more political note, the Executive of the Association recently passed a motion of support for joining the Federation of New Zealand Social Science Organizations (colloquially known as FONZSSO). The Federation was formed in May 1990, in the light of government changes to the structure of scientific research funding in New Zealand. The raison d'etre of the federation is to ensure that the social sciences present a unified case in dealings with two new government agencies, the Ministry and the Foundation for Research, Sciences and Technology, and to ensure that the social sciences are adequately funded.

Paul Spoonley is the President of FONZSSO and it is heartening to see a respected sociologist presiding over what we all hope will be a powerful and respected advocacy group.

During 1990, the Association sought to gain recognition for **sociology in the national secondary school curriculum**. The Association is lobbying for sociology to become a bursary subject (equivalent to the British "A" Level), for 6th and 7th Form students. The effect of gaining bursary status would be to make sociology a credible subject for senior school students and to recruit academically able students to sociology at a comparatively early age.

In response to a request from the Ministry of Education, a Massey University group conducted a national survey of secondary schools to establish who teaches, who would like to teach, and who is trained to teach, sociology. Valuable as this base-line information is, moving to the next step of establishing a national secondary school curriculum has been made more difficult by a series of reviews (including revision of the 6th and 7th Forms), initiated by the new Minister of Education following a change of government in October 1990.

Finally, and to end on a positive note, the **1990 Conference** of the Association was held at Lincoln University in December. The Conference was very well attended, and more than one hundred papers were given in

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12 areas of sociology. Among the highlights of the Conference, Jock Philips, a wellknown social historian, gave a stimulating keynote address in which he used a comparison of the centennial and sesquicentennial celebrations of the signing of Te Tiriti to identify changing values in Aotearoa-New Zealand society.

The Association is keen to build its links with the wider sociological community. Further contact can be made through the President of SAA, PeggyG.Koopman-Boyden, of the Sociology Department, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, or the Treasurer/ Secretary, Bob Gildlow, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Lincoln University, Canterbury.

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The Polish Sociological Association was formed in 1957 and had Stanislaw Ossowski as its first president. It is the continuation of the All-Polish Sociological Society, active in 1931-39 and founded at the First Conference of Polish Sociologists, and is thus one of the oldest sociological societies in Europe. The Association has today over 1.000 members and 11 local branches, in all university towns. It includes ten **research committees:** Rural and Agricultural Sociology, Urban Sociology, Labor Sociology, Sociology of Medicine, Sociotechnics, Sociology of Law, Sociology of Social Deviance and Control, Sociology of the Army, War and Peace, Sociology of Religion, Social Anthropology.

The General Assembly of Delegates, which chooses the president and the Central Board, is the Association's highest authority.

The Association draws its financial means from the revenues of its Bureau of Scientific Research, subsidies from the State authorities, and contributions by its members.

The Association awards annually the **Ossowski Prize** for the best book written by a young sociologist. In 1990 it went to Elzbieta Halas for *The Social Context of Meanings in Theory of Symbolic Interactionism*, and in 1991 to Krystyna Szafraniec for *Manin Face of Social Change* (both in Polish).

The Association also confers the dignity of **honorary foreign member** recently received by Melvin Kohn (1989), Jiri Musil (1989), and Richard Grathoff (1990).

Polish Sociological Association in transition

The recent years mark an important period in the Association's history - in the same way as in the history of Polish society at large. The systemic transformation in Poland has influenced the Association's activity in many ways.

The Association has for many years intensely analyzed the processes of the decomposition of real socialism. Today its interest is focused on the emergence of civic society and market economy in Poland. Those problems were discussed at the 8th National Sociological Congress held in Torun, September 1990. Its theme was Transformation and Challenge. The Theories of Social Change in the Light of Contemporary Experience. The Congress undertook to synthesize theoretical interpretations of social change with the Polish empirical data, and to analyze the change in Poland against the comparative background of other countries. Dangers to the democratic change in Poland and the role of sociology in the new social order were discussed, too.

Various selected problems of systemic change (parliamentary elections, formation of the local government, changes in the labor market, development of the private sector in the national economy, change in the functions of religion) have been discussed at many seminars and conferences organized by the Association's local branches and research committees. Such meetings are the basic form of their activity.

The Congress in Torun could, for the first time, be attended by Polish sociologists living abroad and by sociologist from neighboring countries, namely Lithuania, Russia and Czecho-Slovakia.

Paradoxically enough, the systemic change in Poland accounts for the fact that the attractiveness of the Polish Sociological Association for the sociological milieu has dwindled in some respect. In the past the Association was an important centre of critical thought and reflection largely marked by opposition to the authorities, and hence attracted greater interest on the part of the sociologists than it does now that such thinking has become common. Many sociologists, until recently active within the Association, have engaged in new scholarly and political activity. The Association has ceased to be a substitute for political organization and activities and concentrates on the intellectual analysis of facts and serves the professional interests of the sociological milieu.

The Association's commitment to public matters is losing an axiological character and becomes more professional. As an example one can mention the discussions, organized by the Association, concerned with bills prohibiting abortion and the financing of research. The professional interests of sociologists are served by systematically organized conferences at which the results of surveys. especially electoral surveys, are presented and evaluated; information is also spread about new sociological publications and curricula of sociological studies are exchanged. These are useful activities because recent years in Poland have seen the emergence of many new research centers and publishing houses, and the curricula of university studies have become decentralized.

Mayor conferences organized by the Association in 1990-91

• Transformation and Challenge. The Theories of Social Change in the Light of Contemporary Experience. 8th National Sociological Congress, Torun, September 1990 (with four plenary sessions, 22 meetings of working groups)

 Your Health in Your Hands? In Memoria of Magdalena Sokolowska. Warsaw, April 1990

• The Events in August 1980 (the rise of Solidarity) as Seen by Inhabitants of Villages and Small Towns. Gdansk, October 1990

• Elections to the Local Government 1990: a Tentative Sociological Analysis. Cracow, November 1990

• Electoral Behavior and Its Studies: the Presidential Elections in 1990. Warsaw, January 1991

The Legacy of Stefan Nowak.
 Warsaw, May 1991

 The Chicago School in Sociology. The Tradition of Social Thought an the Requirements of Contemporary Empirical Sociology. Katowice, October 1991

The Association's publications in 1990-91

Dilemmas of Effective Social Action ed. by J.Kubin,Warsaw 1990 (in English)

Social Bonds on Board Ship ed. by B. Klepajczuk, Szczecin 1990

Result of Studies and Results of the Elections of June 4, 1990, ed. by L. Kolarska-Bobinska et al., Warsaw 1990 Polish Religiosity in the Light of Sociological Studies, ed. by W. Piwowarski and W. Zdaniewicz, Warsaw 1990

The Events in 1980 as Seen by Inhabitants of Villages and Small Towns, ed. by M. Latoszek, Gdansk 1990

Social Self-reliance, ed. by J. Kwasniewski, Wroclaw 1990

Bibliographical Essays on Urban Sociology in Poland 1980-1989, ed. by K. Frysztacki and M. Lesniak-Worobiak, Cracow 1991

Transformations and Challenge. Proceedings of the 8th National Sociological Congress, ed. by A. Sulek and W. Winclawski, Warsaw - Torun 1991

Between Autonomy and Control, ed. by A. Kojder and J. Kwasniewski, Warsaw 1991

Socio-economic Problems of the New Emigration, ed. by W. Misiak, Wroclaw 1991

The Polish Sociological Association issues the English language quarterly *The Polish Sociological Bulletin* and the Polish Language newsletter *Informacja Biezaca* (Current News).

Report submitted by Antoni Sulek, Secretary

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Recent events

On the invitation of the Federation of Sociological Associations of Spain (FASEE), ISA held its XII World Congress of Sociology in Madrid, July 1990. (See *ISA Bulletin* 53 for a detailed report).

In February 1991, FASEE approved new Statutes which, among others, changed its name to the Spanish Sociological Federation (FES), and defined three categories of membership: A: regional associations, B: scientific and professional associations, C: supporting institutions, and individual members.

Forthcoming events

The Spanish Sociological Federation, FES, is busy preparing the IVth Spanish Congress of Sociology scheduled for September 1992 in Madrid. The theme of the Congress is Sociology between Two Worlds.

FES has also invited the ISA Council to hold its in-between World Congresses meeting in Madrid. The meeting of the ISA Council will be organized parallel to the Spanish Congress of Sociology in Madrid, September 1992.

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The Swedish Sociological Association was founded in 1962. At that time the discipline had been an independent subject at Swedish universities for about 10 years. Today the number of members is about 500. The main goals are: to promote scientific development within sociology and its fields of application, to safeguard the professional interests of the members, to work for the increased understanding of sociology as a science of society on the part of authorities and of the general public, and to fortify the professional awareness and sense of responsibility of sociologists.

The Association organizes its annual professional conference at the beginning of February. The last meeting held at the Working Life Centre in Stockholm was attended by about 90 members.

Following **working groups** are active in the Association: Sociology of Work, Women in Society, Housing and Urban Sociology, Sociology of Economics, Sociology of History, Sociology of Medicine, Social Policy and Welfare State, Sociological Theory, Developing Countries.

Publications

Acta Sociologica, journal of the Scandinavian Sociological Association, 4 issues per year;

Sociologisk Forskning (Sociological Research), 4 issues per year;

Sociolognytt (Sociological News), a bulletin 2 times a year.

Report submitted by Berth Danermark, President

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Background information

The BSA was founded in 1951 at a time when the discipline was primarily located at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and colleagues around the country followed its syllabus. Its founders came from a variety of disciplines, reflecting the electing nature of its appeal, including such notables as Carr Saunders, David Glass and Raymond Firth. The first Chair was Professor Morris Ginsberg.

The BSA office is in touch with all that is taking place within British Sociology and has contacts in educational and research institutions and in the field of publishing in the country and overseas. The Administrative Secretary is always happy to put members in touch with one another and to help answer professional queries.

Organisational structure

The BSA is run by an Executive Committee consisting of 14 members elected by the membership. Committee members are elected for a maximum of four years. The Executive Committee also includes a representation from the Standing Committee on Equality of the Sexes. There are three main voluntary officers: the President, the Chair and the Honorary General Secretary. In addition, the Association has a permanent staff of two: The Administrative Secretary and a part-time Publications officer. These are housed in the Association's suite of office at the London School of Economics in London. It is anticipated that the BSA office will be relocated to Durham, in the North of England in 1992.

The BSA holds an Annual Conference at different locations each year. Themes for the Annual Conference are suggested by the membership. Recent and forthcoming themes include: Sociology in Action, Sociology and History, Social Divisions and Social Change, and The Research Imagination.

The Association encourages and subsidises the activities of Study Groups on any sociological topic or area of study where there is sufficiently wide interest among the membership. Groups meet fairly regularly throughout the country. They run varied programmes from seminars through one-day meetings to full three day conferences. Members may participate in as many Study Groups as they wish.

Current Study Groups are:

Class Formation and the Third World; Education; Environment and Architecture; Ethnography; Family Studies; Figurational Sociology; Human Reproduction; Language; Leisure & Recreation; Mass Communication; Medical Sociology; Racism; Religion; Sexual Divisions & Society; Sociology of Emotion; Sociology of Food; Social Networks; Theory; War and Peace; Weber; Violence Against Women (Women's Caucus Group); Postgraduate Forum.

Other activities

The BSA organises **Summer Schools** with the support of the ESRC, for full and part-time postgraduate students. These events allow sociologist from widely differing departments and research traditions to meet and work together in a simulating environment on the problems they have encountered in the course of their own research. Schools reflect a balance between speakers and workshops and are designed to encourage maximum participation.

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The Scottish Branch of the Association organises one day conferences. Recent themes have included: Disorganised Capitalism; and The Challenge of a Green Perspective to Researchers in Social Sciences. The branch has also made a promotion video entitled: So What's Sociology Anyway?, designed to introduce prospective students to the discipline and to challenge any distorted preconceptions of the discipline they may have. The video falls into three parts. The first defines sociology, and explains what makes the discipline distinctive and the range of subjects it covers. The second explains what it is like to study sociology, and the final part looks at the wide range of paid jobs that those who have studied sociology have chosen.

A Post-graduate Forum, reflecting the needs and interest of postgraduate members, acts as a clearing house for information and as a network putting in touch those with common interests and problems. The Forum organises meetings on a range of topics and offers a supportive arena for the discussion of ideas and work in progress. All postgraduate members of the Association are encouraged to participate in its activities. In recent years the Postgraduate Forum has produced a journal Critical Social Research.

The Association is concerned to combat sexist practice and discrimination, especially through its **Equality of the Sexes Sub-Committee**, which has a mandate to assist in the realisation of sex equality both within the Association and within the discipline, and monitors the equality of the sexes in the profession. There is also an active Women's Caucus and Sexual Divisions Study Group.

The Association has also fogged links with **other organizations**, including the Joint Forum for Academics and Teachers in the Social Sciences, the Association of Learned Societies in the Social Sciences and Section N of the British Association. It liaises with the Economic and Social Research Council by meeting members of the relevant ESRC committees to discuss the direction of sociological research in Britain.

The BSA has a **Degree Cur**riculum Sub-Committee to consider to content of Sociology degrees and it has maintained a continuing interest in the "O" and "A" Level syllabus.

Publications

There is a separate Publications Committee which assists in the publication of the two main journals: *Sociology* with a circulation of around 3,000 and *Work, Employment and Society* with a circulation of about 650. The Association also produces a newsletter, *Network* which serves to keep the members in touch with developments in the profession.

The Publications Committee helps to sponsor the publication of books and series. These include the volumes of selected papers from the Annual Conference. Recent volumes published by Macmillans have been:

L. Jamieson and H. Carr (ed): State, Private Life and Political Change

H. Carr and L. Jamieson(ed): Politics of Everyday Life: Continuity and Change in Work and the Family

P. Abbott and C. Wallace: Gender, Power and Sexuality

R. Reiner and M. Cross: Beyond Law and Order: Criminal Justice Policy and Politics in the 1990s

Four titles from the 1990 conference are due to be published by Macmillan in 1992:

B. Burrows and C. Marsh (ed): Consumption and Class: Divisions and Change

N. Gilbert and R. Burrows (ed): Fordism and Flexibility: Divisions and Change

C. Marsh and S. Arber (ed): Families and Households: Divisions and Change

S. Arber and W. Gilbert (ed): Women and Working Lives: Divisions and Change

Three volumes have also been published by Falmer:

P. Abbott and G. Payne (ed): New Directions in the Sociology of Health C. Wallace and M. Cross (ed): Youth in Transition: The Sociology of Youth and Youth Policy

M. Cross and G. Payne (ed): Social Inequality and the Enterprise Culture

A series recently launched by the BSA and published by Macmillans is entitled *Sociology fora Changing World*. Books that have been published or are shortly to be published in this series include:

F. Heidensohn: Crime and Society

G. Morgan: Organizations in Society

F. Webster: Science in Society A. Bryson: Who Benefits? Wel-

fare in the Interactionalist State

Other books sponsored by the BSA include:

J. Hearon and D. Morgan (ed): Men, Masculinities and Society Theory (Unwin Hyman)

Fosh and Herry (ed): Trade Unions and Their Members: Studies in Union Democracy and Organization (Macmillan)

The Association organised a Book Club with discount prices for the benefit of its members

Report submitted by Pamela Abbott, Honorary General Secretary

Last Minute News

We are happy to announce that the national sociological societies of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have been just accepted as Category «A» members of the ISA:

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CATEGORY B: INTERNATIONAL AND MULTINATIONAL REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF SOCIOLOGISTS

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The International Institute of Sociology is the oldest continuing sociological association in existence, having been founded in 1893 in Paris by René Worms. Its current objectives reflect the aspirations of its founder, namely, that the Institute should provide opportunities for the exploration and presentation of new knowledge, for discussion, and for this to be based upon an international exchange among established sociologists.

Membership

Membership in the IIS stands at approximately 150. In accordance with the traditional emphasis on quality rather than representativeness, membership requires review of credentials and is obtained by cooptation. The Institute has only individual members who are provided a forum that emphasizes research and development in sociology directly without any mediating concerns for national interests or other formal organizations. Currently, there are members from almost 30 countries; sociologists from the United States, Japan, France, and Italy make up more than half the membership.

For membership application forms and details on membership and the IIS, please direct correspondence to R. Alan Hedley, Secretary General/ Treasurer IIS, Department of Sociology, University of Victoria, P.O.Box 3050, Victoria, B.C. V8W 3P5, Canada

International Congresses

Biennial congresses are organized to exchange formal papers and also to interact on a more informal basis. The size of the Congresses, averaging no more than 500, permits the participants to develop a sense of community within the membership.

The 30th International Congress of the IIS was held on August 5-9, 1991, in the Kobe International Conference Centre in Kobe, Japan. Under the direction of the President of the Organizing Committee, Eiichi Isomura, four opening lectures, three plenary sessions, two symposia, and thirty-five working sessions were attended. Two hundred and forty-three preregistered participants from 27 countries presented close to 150 papers related to the theme of the Congress, Ecology, World Resources, and the Quality of Social Life. In addition, the Organizing Committee arranged a welcome reception and a dinner party hosted by the Mayor of the City of Kobe. Tours and special presentations were also organized. This was the first international sociological congress ever held in Japan.

The 29th Congress of the IIS took place in Rome in 1989, and in 1993 it is anticipated that the 31st Congress, celebrating the centennial of the Institute, will be held in Paris, the city in which the IIS was founded.

Publications

The Annals of the International Institute of Sociology is the official organ of the IIS. Originally published in 1895 under the editorship of René Worms in order to present the proceedings of the first Congress of the Institute, it ceased publication in 1931. During the sixty-year interval, the IIS adopted the *Revue* Internationale de Sociologie as its publication outlet. However, in 1990, the "New Series" of The Annals (volume I) was issued under the editorship of Paolo Ammassari.

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The Annals are published yearly. The first volume following a Congress is devoted to the plenary sessions of that Congress, while the second volume (in between Congresses) publishes Working Sessions which are either strictly connected with the congress theme or of particular interest to the social setting hosting the congress. There is also a section on news and official reports of the Institute.

The Annals are issued annually by the International Institute of Sociology and are distributed free of charge to its members. Single volumes of *The Annals* may be purchased by individual nonmembers for \$ 30 and by Libraries and Institutions for \$ 50.

Report submitted by R. Alan Hedley, Secretary General

One Europe Research Group

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Origins

The One Europe Research Group began its activities in 1986 when Jan Jerschina organized the first conference in Cracow and conceptualized the creed and programme of the Group with the help of scholars from England, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Russia, USA, Yugoslavia and other countries.

197 members of the Group come from 32 countries in Europe, both Americas, Asia and Africa. They represent all social sciences, not only sociology, but also economics, social anthropology, social psychology, history, political science, media research, pedagogy. The main purpose of the Group is to work within academic fields which are relevant to the process of reform in East and Central Europe. The aim is to help prepare the ground for co-operation between European nations.

The VIth International Conference of the Group was held in November 1991 in Cracow, Poland. Its theme was West-East Communication for Political, Economic and Cultural Change and Co-operation and it was devoted to the historical changes in central and east Europe, entering the road towards democracy and a free market social system by many nations and states, which undermined the rationality of the communication system between European nations.

The Rural Sociological Society

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The Rural Sociological Society was founded in 1937. Its objective is to promote the study of rural life through research, extension and education; for the purpose of confronting problems, answering questions, increasing opportunities and, hereby, improving the quality of life in rural areas.

Annual meetings of the RSS provide a forum for new research developments, public policy questions affecting rural life and application of knowledge in resolving societal problems. Usually held in August, its program includes contributed papers, seminars, and meetings of research and interest groups.

Research and Interest Groups

Education and Careers, Family/Household, International Development, Natural Resources, Population, Rural Health, Rural Policy, Rural Poverty, Rural Racial and Ethnic Minorities, Rural Women in Economic Production, Sociology Extensions, Sociology of Agriculture, Teaching & Curriculum, Women in Rural Sociology.

Membership

Any person professionally employed in the field of rural sociology, or who is interested in the object of this society, may become a member upon application, payment of dues, and review classification by the Membership Committee.

Publications

Rural Sociology, the official journal of the Rural Sociological Society, is now in its 56th year of publication. Contents include the following:

 Policy analyses, scholarly articles, theoretical essays, and thought provoking commentaries on a variety of rural topics, written by authors representing many fields in the scientific study of rural life;

 Book reviews on a wide range of disciplines and subjects likely to be of interest to rural sociologists and other rural-oriented social scientists;

• Research Bulletin Index of recently published university, international, and government agency publications.

The Rural Sociologist (TRS) is a forum for the exchange of views on matters of concern to the profession of rural sociology. It also provides for the timely dissemination of news to members of the Rural Sociological Society.

Formerly a bimonthly publication, TRS is now being published quarterly. Each issue varies depending on what is newsworthy, but many include the following topics: trends affecting the discipline, challenges for new research and action, and points of view.

Contents: RSS Committee reports, Program notes for future RSS meetings, Employment opportunities, Minutes and official actions of the Rural Sociological Society, Announcements about new journals, conferences and other important events.

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Projet General Triennal 1990-1992

Un projet général pour la période 1990-1992 constitue un ensemble d recherches et de rencontres sur LES NOUVEAUX MONDES et l'EUROPE. Pour engager la réalisation de travaux scientifiques, l'AISLF dispose de ses diverses formes d'activité associative: le travail de ses Comités de Recherche, Groupes de Travail, Groupes Régionaux. Elle a en outre décidé d'organiser une série de manifestations:

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L'UNIVERSITE en QUES-TION (J.M. Berthelot, C. Rondi; Toulouse, mars 1990). Table Ronde Internationale sur les nouveaux défis lancés à l'Université par les transformations du monde moderne qui a permis une confrontation d'analyses et de témoignages, l'échnage d'expérience entre collègues étrangers et collègues français, entre sociologues et non-sociologues.

OU VA LA METHODE EN SOCIOLOGIE? OU VA LA SOCIOLOGIE DU TIERS MONDE? (E. Tiryakian, L. Berrocal, A. Perez-Agote; Madrid, juillet 1990). Pour la promotion du plurilinguisme et la reconnaissance du Français comme langue scientifique, en accord avec la Société Française de Sociologie, l'AISLF a organisé ces deux sessions dans la cadre du Congrès Mondial de Sociologie.

• en 1991

LES PARADIGMES SOCIO-LOGIQUES: WEBERDUR-KHEIM (M. Hirschhorn, S. Jonas, F. Raphael; Strasbourg, avril 1991). Ce symposium se propose, à un siècle de distance, de réaliser le dialogue qui n'a pas eu lieu entre Weber et Durkheim. Son objet est aussi de contribuer à la cumulativité du savoir sociologique en mettant en évidence les apports toujours actuels de ces deux pères fondateurs de la sociologie moderne. C'est aussi l'occasion d'une rencontre entre sociologues francophones et germanophones qui devrait conduireàunéchangefructueux. Troix axes de reflexion seront privilégiés: les contributions à une théorie de l'action, les orientations méthodologiques et les rapports entre science morale et politique.

LE ROLE des INTELLEC-TUELS et des NOUVELLES **COUCHES DIRIGEANTES dans** les PAYS de l'EST (D. Bertaux, P. Kuczvnski: Varsovie, Juin 1991). Confrontation internationale sur la société posttotalitaire et le pouvoir avec la participation, pour l'Est, de sociologues Bulgares, Hongrois, Polonais et Russes et pour l'Ouest, Belges, Canadiens, Congolais, Francais, Portugais, Suisses et Américains autout des thèmes suivants: Bilan des participations des intellectuels dans les changements intervenus à l'Est: Relations sociales et du pouvoir avec les intellectuels; Impact des intellectuels sur le mode de pensée des élites qui émergent.

NOUVELLES VALEURS et ORGANISATIONS: QUELLES CULTURES EN EMERGENCE? (D. Mercure; Québéc, septembre 1991). Ce colloque regroupant Européens et Québécois vise à cerner un certain nombre de phénomènes sociaux émergents et à identifier quelques-unes des lignes directrices des principales mutations sociales et culturelles qui caractérisent le devenir de notre société.

LA RECONNAISSANCE des REGIONS. **ESPACES** et FRONTIERES (B. Bawin-Legros, B. Poche; Grenoble, octobre 1991). Que devient l'espace européen avec l'émergence de revendications régionales d'autonomie politique qui viennents'ajouteraux affirmations d'expression culturelle et identitaire spécifiques, les mécanismes sociologiques, économiques, culturels et linguistiques du rôle de territories et d'espaces régionaux dans la construction de l'Europe institutionnelle et politique. en 1992

LA SOCIOLOGIE EXTRA-UNIVERSITAIRE (M. Bolle de Bal, R. Sainsaulieu, W.

Hutmacher, B. Bawin-Legros, O. Kuty, A. Eraly; Liège, janvier 1992). Confrontation sur les méthodes, expériences, processus et problématiques de l'intervention sociologique, hors du cadre universitaire qui répond à une demande sociale croissante dans tous les pays et traduit: une multiplication des innovations sociales (procés de transformations sociale et culturelle); une multiplication des besoins locaux d'analyse et de prospective contex-tualisées; une nouvelle volonté de savoir: un savoir moins normatif, plus descriptif-analytique, volonté perceptible dans les entreprises et dans les administrations.

L'ENSEIGNEMENT de la SOCIOLOGIE (G. Gosselin, I. Aluas; Roumanie, printemps 1992). Confrontation d'expériences, de programmes, de contenus de l'enseignement de la sociologie entre enseignantschercheurs Roumains et de l'Ouest.

LES NOUVEAUX MONDES et l'EUROPE (Lyon, juillet 1992). XIV Congrès International de l'AISLF. Axes de recherche: La production des citoyennetés (D. Bertaux, W. Hutmacher); La Réinvention démocratique et confrontation des valeurs (G. Gosselin, A. Van Haecht); Dynamiques sociales: nouveaux groupes, nouveaux espaces (J.M. Berthelot, M. Hirschhorn); Les nouvelles frontières de la sociabilité (B. Bawin-Legros); Entreprises et contruction de la société (W. Hutmacher, D. Mercure, R. Sainsaulieu).

Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales

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The Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, FLACSO, was founded in 1957 through a UNESCO initiative. FLACSO has the status of an international, intergovernmental and regional autonomous organization, constituted by those Latin American and Caribbean countries which subscribe to its General Agreement.

FLACSO was originally organized in Santiago, Chile; in 1973 it began to expand institutionally and Units were successively established in Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mexico City, Mexico; Quito, Ecuador; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; San Jose, Coats Rica; La Paz, Bolivia; Guatemala City, Guatemala; Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; Havana, Cuba.

The Costa Rican Unit of FLACSOis a collective member of the ISA. The Unit pursues research on various subjects and promotes a wide agenda of national and international scientific meetings, as well as cultural, publishing and advisory activities.

Teaching activities

Each Unit is organized around a cluster of teaching activities which are carried out at three levels:

Higher Diplomas comprise graduate-level intensive studies lasting one academic year, leading to a Higher Diploma in Social Sciences with emphasis on a specialized area of studies. They cover such diverse areas of study as international relations, international economy, young researchers' training, analysis and motivation of political decision, Latin American affairs.

Master's Degree programs in Latin America. Masters programs are at present active in Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Mexico. Plans are being made to launch in Costa Rica in cooperation with Universidad Nacional and the Universidad para la Paz, a Master program in International Relations.

Doctorates: the first Doctorate program has been organized in cooperation with the University of Brasilia, and functions as an institutional cooperation program in the area of comparative Latin American Studies.

In addition to the Diploma, Master and Doctorate programs, FLACSO organizes through its different national Unites short courses lasting a few months, as an out-come of ongoing research, as support for other teaching activities, and as a form of collaboration with other institutions or countries.

Research activities

During the last seven years, FLACSO has completed 142 research projects at both national and international levels, and cooperated with national, regional and international institutions in an even larger number of projects. Each Unit develops its own teaching and research activities according to such local factors as preexisting institutional conditions and, existence of both support and demand for knowledge, and the availability of qualified personnel. Thematic distribution of the projects is as follows: 25 on politics and society, 23 on international relations, 19 on education and culture, 14 on economics, 10 on urban studies, 10 on women studies, 11 on social policy, and 7 on ethnic studies.

26 projects have been developed in Chile, 23 in Guatemala, 20 in Argentina, 17 in Costa Rica, 15 in Bolivia, 8 in Ecuador, 22 in Brazil, 5 in Mexico and 4 in Dominican Republic.

There are 46 persons involved in the activities of FLACSO Unit in Costa Rica: 11 professors, researchers, permanent assistants, and 35 invited professors, free-lance researchers, parttime assistants.

Publications

In the period 1989-1990, FLACSO Units produced 203 publications: 117 *Cuadernos de Trabajo*,55*Cuadernos de Diversas Colecciones*, and 31 books.

Among them, FLACSO Unit in Costa Rica published 13 *Cuadernos de Trabajo*, 12 *Cuadernos Colección*, 2 *Boletin Centroamerica-USA*, 3 *Centroamérica Internacional*, 4 review *Polémica* and 12 books.

Scientific Cooperation

All Units cooperate actively with national universities and other local and international centers. The Costa Rican Unit has organized and/or co-organized 10 seminars in the last couple of years; 7 of them of an international range.

CATEGORY C: RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS

Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad

CEDES Av. Pueyrredón 510 1032 Buenos Aires Argentina tel: (541)9618149 fax: (541)9615775

CEDES is a non-profit research center established in 1975.

Although its main field of interest is interrelation between the society and the state, CEDES carries out numerous projects on political economy, sociology of social sectors, political analysis, culture and ideology, bureaucracy and public policy, historical studies.

In addition to these regular projects, CEDES sponsors and organizes various activities addressed to political and intellectual groups, for example, seminars on Argentinean economy, political parties, and the like.

CEDES maintains close cooperation with the Asociación Argentina de Relaciones Internacionales, Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político, Universidad de Buenos Aires and Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas.

CEDES' regular publications are *Estudios CEDES* and *Revista Debates*.

Centro de Investigaciones en Ciencias Sociales

CICSO Defensa 665 - 5 C 1065 Buenos Aires Argentina tel: 34-9914

Director: Beba Balvé

The Social Science Research Center, CICSO, was founded in 1966. Research topics include: socio-economic structures, relations between socio-economic groups and classes, as well as their organization, ideology and functioning.

Main objectives of CICSO are research promotion, conceptualization, theory and methodology, empirical verification of themes and problems, with a special emphasis put on the Argentinean society but taking into account general theoretical aspects and Latin-American context. To meet these goals, CICSO organizes courses, seminars and workshops. CICSO library offers big collection of books, reviews and newspapers articles devoted to social sciences as well as various issues of contemporary Argentina.

Results of the empirical as well as theoretical research are published within the series *Cuadernos de CICSO* which as by now has published 140 volumes. Some of the articles published in the series have also appeared in other professional reviews or collected volumes in Mexico, Canada, Denmark, United States, Chile, Brazil and Germany.

Researchers of CICSO participate actively in the activities of the Latin-American Association of Sociology, Latin-American Association of Rural Sociology, International Rural Sociology Association, as well as various working groups of CLACSO.

Report submitted by Beba Balvé, Director

Institut für Musiksoziologie

Schubertring 14 1010 Wien Austria tel: 5137600

Director: Irmgard Bontinck

In 1990 the Institute celebrated 25 years of its activities.

The on-going research projects are: Changes in the music world and consequences

of new technologies; Mediamorphosis (a pluralism methodology); Position and image of a music teacher; Interrelation between music and everyday life; Social situation of composers in Austria; Sources and traditions in music in Austria.

Courses offered at the Institute deal, among others, with: sociology of music, empirical research, women and music.

Centrum voor Rechtssociologie

Universiteit Antwerpen, UFSIA Grote Kauwenberg 18 B-2000 Antwerpen Belgium tel: (03)2204111

Director: Francis Van Loon **Staff Members:** Jean Van Houtte, Els Delanoeije, Ann Duysters, Marc Keuleneer, Karin Sannen, Véronique Thielman, Katelijne Van den Brande, Wim Van Wambeke

Till 1989 the **research programme** of the Centrum voor Rechtssociologie was concentrated on lawsuits in courts. Because not all grievances are submitted to court, we changed our interest more and more to the settlement of disputes out of court. We also took into consideration the working conditions of the courts and the statute of the magistrates.

The juridical institutions on matrimony and family are traditional subjects of our research. Within this scope we set up studies of generational devolution of patrimonial goods and of socio-economic implications of support in Belgium.

Diversifying the research topics, we studied the bankruptcy law, the relevance of social statistics in Belgium and the mobilization of law in the world of business.

Report submitted by Francis Van Loon, Director

Sociologisch Onderzoeksinstituut

Department of Sociology Katholieke Universiteit Leuven E. van Evenstraat 2C 3000 Leuven Belgium tel: 16-283111

Chairman: J.C. Verhoeven

Teaching at the Department of Sociology

The main domains of teaching are: sociological theory, methodology, sociology of social policy, sociology of religion and culture, sociology of labour, sociology of the family, population and health, sociology of education, rural and urban sociology.

The Department is participating in the Erasmus Program of the European Community, cooperating in the Summer School for Interpretative Sociology (Oasis) and will probably start in October 1992 an English program in Sociology.

Research at the Sociologisch Onderzoeksinstituut

The research is organized in 6 research units:

1. Centre for Sociology of Labour (Director: J. Bundervoet) Trend report technological and organizational innovations
 Migrants and labour market: an analysis of their labour market position and employment initiatives taken on the local labour markets

2. Centre for Sociology of Social Policy (Director: F. Lammertyn)

 Poverty and the public centers for social welfare

Social inequality and higher
 education

3. Centre for Sociology of the Family, Population and Health (Director: W.A. Dumon)

Family policy in Europe

Aids-prevention in Belgium

4. Centre for Sociology of Religion and Culture (Director: K. Dobbelaere)

European value study

• Secularization, pillarization and new religious movements

5. Centre for Collection and Analysis of Data (Director: J. Billiet)

 Political Opinion Research (methodology)

• Research on response errors in survey

6. Centre for Theoretical Sociology and Sociology of Education (Director: J.C. Verhoeven)

Implementation of health education in secondary schools

 School management and school effectiveness

A list of publications available at the Institute.

Report submitted by J.C. Verhoeven, Chairman

Instituto de Pesquises Sociais Fundaçao Joaquim Nabuco

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Origins

The Joaquim Nabuco Institute of Social Research was created in 1949 by Gilberto Freyre, a sociologists and anthropologist, in order to "understand and rediscover the Northern and Northeastern regions of Brazil". In 1980 the Institute was transformed into the Joaquim Nabuco Foundation, FUNDAJ, encompassing in its structure, besides other sectors, the Institute of Social Research.



Research

Main scientific interest of the Institute concentrate on socioeconomic conditions, politics and culture of the Northern and Northeastern regions of Brazil. Interdisciplinary research is conducted by nine Departments which constitute the Institute: Anthropology, Political Science, Economy, Education, Statistics, Demography, Geography, Sociology and Social History.

Report submitted by Anatailde de Paula Créspo

Centro Estudos e Pesquisas Josué de Castro

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History

The Josué de Castro Study and Research Center, CJC, was established in 1979 as a nongovernmental organization. Being created in the period of restricted democratic freedom, CJC tried to provide for a forum allowing free expression of opinions and analysis of Brazilian socio-economic reality. CJC staff consists of researchers and teachers of various fields of science.

Objectives

 research on the organization of a society

 development of institutional framework allowing for social participation

 study of State institutions and repercussions of their policy on a society

• Training of researchers and social actors towards societal transformation

Research areas

- Society and State
- Popular education
- Living conditions and environment
- Science and technology

Centro Brasileiro de Analise e Planejamento

CEBRAP Rua Morgaso de Mateus 615 04015 Sao Paulo, SP Brazil tel: 55-11-5756799 fax: 55-11-5758192

Origins

Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento, CEBRAP, was founded in 1969 by a group of university teachers and researchers, several of whom had left the University of Sao Paulo during the institutional crisis of late 1968. It is important to note at the outset that the idea of creating a social science research centre outside the university had circulated within this same group beforehand, but the political and institutional urgency of enabling professionals persecuted by the authoritarian regime to find work was the most important underling motive for the founding of CEBRAP. Today, however, its survival is guaranteed by the intellectual objectives which have been developed since it began.

The staff of CEBRAP gradually became enriched by the addition of new members, in order to diversify its research capabilities along two main lines: academic specialization, on the one hand, through the inclusion of economists, demographers, sociologists, political scientists, specialists in scientific methodology, and philosophers; and diversity of academic backgrounds, on the other, since these specialists had been trained in different parts of Brazil and the world.

Without endangering the preservation of its intellectual integrity, CEBRAP succeeded in developing its programme of research and critical studies under the aegis of internationalfoundations and of local agencies, both private and governmental. Moreover, despite being profoundly rooted in Brazilian intellectual traditions and dedicated to tackling Brazilian problems, it developed and has maintained close ties with the international, as well as national, social science community.

Twenty years or research

It would be tiresome and excessively lengthy to present a detailed account of every single activity developed by CEBRAP in its 20 years of work, and in any case the mere enumeration of over 150 scientific research projects performed and services rendered would fall far short of providing the substance of a genuine progress report. The essential fact is that in the past decade CEBRAP played a key role in developing the social sciences in Brazil, through its in-depth studies of the country's economic, social and political characteristics.

It is possible to say that the intellectual field defined for analysis and discussion revolved around three main lines of research:

• a critical analysis of the pattern of economic development after 1964;

• the structural changes occurring in Brazilian Society: in its demography, in terms of urbanization, and in the rural sphere (agricultural technologies,landowning, relationships etc.);

• an analysis of the specific characteristics of the authoritarian regime in Brazil, the conditions and structural limits of democracy, and electoral processes under authoritarian rule.

Publications

As soon as we were able, we began by publishing Estudos CEBRAP, a sort of archive of the essays we produced, together with some foreign contributions. Throughout the seventies it was considered the best social science periodical in Latin America. When the abertura came along, we experimented with a new format which was more accessible to lay readers and could compete with the serious sold magazines by newsvendors. The result was not satisfactory and we returned to a more intellectual format, a journal of ideas. This experience has been highly successful and Novos Estudos CEBRAP is widely read in intellectual circles.

Social Forsknings Instituttet

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Aims

The Danish National Institute of Social Research performs and presents research with focus on social policy, working life, social aspects of housing, health an living conditions of the population and families in general especially research directed towards political and administrative decision-making processes.

The Institute may according to the law (a) independently initiate research projects as well as projects requested by public authorities or private organizations; (b) assist in research projects outside the Institute; (c) give advice in connection with legislation and public planning.

Research areas

SFI's main areas are: welfare state and living conditions; immigrants and refugees; social policy; working life; children, young people and family; methodology.

Employees

10 executive and programme directors, 32 research assistants and other academics, 34 technical and administrative staff, 8 students, apprentices and temporary placement

Results 1990

Research:	Number
Reports	18

Working Papers Articles	34
Papers, national	3
Papers, international	14
Communication: Pamphlets &	
Newsletters	8
Articles	29
Lectures	141
Tasks for public bodi	es, etc:
Committees	52

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Laboratoire d'Economie et de Sociologie du Travail

Service tasks

LEST - CNRS 35, avenue Jules Ferry 13626 Aix-en-Provence Cedex France tel: 33-42-378500 fax: 33-42-267937 **Directeur:** Michel Arliaud

Présentation

Depuis sa création en 1969 le Laboratoire d'Economie et de Sociologie du Travail, LEST, situé à Aix-en-Provence, porte son attention sur des questions prégnantes de la société française avec un souci de vérification empirique. C'est ainsi que le LEST a réalisé des recherches importantes orientées vers la compréhension des structures de base de notre société. Il a travaillé sur les salaires dans un contexte où une inflation structurelle impliquait de mieux comprendre le fonctionnement réel du marché du travail et la logique des ajustements économiques qui s'y produisaient; sur les conditions de travail dans la perspective d'établir des indicateurs sociaux complémentaires des grands agrégats économiques sur l'organisation du travail dans les entreprises face à des interrogations sur les relation entre les formations et les emplois, sur les qualifications; sur les dimensions structurelles de la "crise" de certaines professions; sur l'usage social des dispositifs de soins face à la réalité des coûts de la santé.

Le LEST a établi certains aspects de la singularité sociétale française et contribué à la relativisation du déterminisme technique et économique au moyen de la méthode comparative et, particulièrement, des comparaisons internationales: notamment comparaison France-Allemagne, France-Japon.

Depuis le milieu des années 80, le LEST réoriente ses réflexions vers une analyse des transformations majeures techniques, économiques at culturelles - nées durablement de las crise. Aujourd'hui, le LEST travaille à la redéfinition de ses futures investigations empiriques à partir de questions qui intègrent ses asquis scientifiques et les grands problèmes de l'heure: les mutations du salariat et de ses modes de gestion; la recomposition des formations, des professionnalités et des marchés du travail; la complexification des rapports sociaux dans l'entreprise et dans l'espace social plus large où s'articulent production et reproduction de ces rapports; l'émergence de nouvelles règles et normes qui régissent les comportements collectifs, etc.

Sa démarche part du constat que les rapports, historiquement institués pendant les "trente glorieuses", entre une conception de l'efficacité économique, une organisation de la production, des modes de vie et des aspirations sociales spécifiques se sont déréglés; ce qui oblige à scruter les formes de recomposition entre l'économique et le social.

Il infléchit son regard en direction d'une problématique dite de la novation - qui accorde à la création économique et à "l'invention" sociale une place qui, hier, était primordialement consacrée à la répartition économique et à la reproduction sociale.

Ces préoccupations sont déjà sous-jacentes aux principales recherches en cours de réalisation: études de certaines transformations du système productif et des modes de gestion, de l'innovation et de ses acteurs primordiaux, des modalités diverses du rapport entre formation, qualification et emploi, du rôle des acteurs dans la définition des règles formelles et informelles, etc. Les comparaisons internationales avec le Japon, avec l'Angleterre, avec l'Italie, avec la Hongrie continuent de tenir une place importante.

Le LEST dispense un enseignement de 3ème cycle *Economie et Sociologie du Travail*, qui concerne aussi bien des étudiants en économie et sociologie ou sortant de grandes écoles que des praticiens de la gestion des ressources humaines.

Sa bibliothèque spécialisée comprend un fonds de 6000 volumes, ouvrages de base pluridisciplinaires, et 480 titres de publications en série dont environ 300 titres de périodiques en cours.

Opérations de recherche en cours en 1991

Flexibilité du volume de travail dans la grande distribution;

Pratiques et évolution des institutions représentatives du personnel; Analyse des évolutions de la relation formation-emploi au niveau local et régional; La reconversion des bas niveaux de qualification: Sida et prévention: étude sur les résistances sociales aux campagnes d'information: Hôpital Innovation Profession; Les ingénieurs en France et au Japon: formation, insertion professionnelle, mobilité de carrière, projets professionnels (secteurs électronique, chimie, Production électricité); domestique - Héritage du quotidien; Financement des hôpitaux - comparaison France-Allemagne; Régulation juridique et régulation sociale du travail: articulation des niveaux et des modes de régulation du travail (de l'entreprise à l'Etat: négociation, participation, décentralisation); Division sexuelle du travail; La mobilité des jeunes sur le marché du travail en relation avec leurs professionnels; projets Sociologie des champs et économie des espaces professionnels; Approches localisées des espaces professionnels et des espaces Salaires industriels: et fonctionnement du marché du travail en France at au Japon; Conditions d'insertion, en particulier dans les Alpes de Haute Provence: Bilan des recherches sociologiques sur la famille dans les pays francophones occidentaux.

Laboratoire d'Etudes et de Recherches Sociologiques sur la Classe Ouvriere

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Plusieurs traits caractérisent les opérations conduites au cours des deux dernières années:

 une grand vitalité d'abord, comme l'atteste l'abondance des activités en cours et la liste des publications réalisées depuis deux ans. Activités multiples qui se traduisent par des articles dans des revues scientifiques, des expositions, des interventions locales at régionales, des thèses, des livres, des films, des collaborations internationales;

 la participation conjuguée de nombreux chercheurs du Laboratoire à des manifestations ou publications communes, le plus souvent à la demande d'organismes ou de revues nationales à diffusion large: deux numéros de la revue Autrement. deux de la revue Politix. le Colloque de Saint-Nazaire, les Journées d'Etudes de la Société d'Ethnologie Française, les Cahiers du Pirttem et les Journées du réseau Jeunesse et Sociétés, le Colloque Identités culturelles et développement économique entre autres:

-l'ouverture d'un axe nouveau

consacré à l'intégration européenne.

Dans chacune de ces activités, le LERSCO est demeuré fidèle à ses principes en mélant étroitement recherche et enseignement et en donnant toujours la priorité de l'enquête.

Activités de recherche

• Sociologie de la classe ouvrière. Responsables: Jean-Paul Molinari, Jacky Reault

• Formation, savoirs, jeunesse. Responsable: Chrsitian Baudelot

 Sociologie du sport. Responsables: Jean-Michel Faure, Charles Suaud

• Famille, travail et mode de vie. Responsable: Augustin Barbara

• Sociologie de l'espace urbain. Responsable: Daniel Pinson

• Les images dans la sociologie. Responsable: Roger Cornu

 Sociologie de l'integration européenne. Responsables: Yves Tertrais, Charles Suaud

Développement des services communs

• Enrichissement et informatisation du Centre de Documentation. Responsable: Marie-Annick Bertrand

• Le développement de l'equipement informatique et la generalisation de ses usages. Responsable: Richard Juin

• Une antenne "Relations Exterieures" destinée à faire le lien entre chercheurs et étudiants formés à la recherche, et les demandes émanant d'organismes d'Etat, municipaux, para-municipaux, entreprises privées, une forme de partenariat s'est instituée avec certains organismes. Responsable: Fabienne Le Roy

Formation et didactique

Le LERSCO, associé au Département de Sociologie, sert de laboratoire d'appui à une habilitation de troisième cycle (DEA et Doctorat). Les membres du LERSCO essentiellement de rang A encadrent pour l'année universitaire 90-91 28 DEA et 29 doctorants.

Le LERSCO compte parmi ses membres 9 boursiers MRT.

Activités de valorisation et de service

Le LERSCO a été contacté par plusieurs organismes pour effectuer des recherches sociologiques, recherches auxquelles nous avon généralment associé des apprentischarcheurs (Maîtrise, DEA et Doctorat). Ces demandes ont fait l'objet de contrat.

Relations extérieures et internationales

Un projet d'enquetes communes a Nantes at au Québec. L'objet de l'étude consiste à se demander comment filles et garcons envisagent, à Nantes et au Québec. leur avenir professionnel, familial, relationnel. Comment s'opère, dans les deux pays, latransmission des valeurs, des orientations et des modèles professionnels et sociaux? Les réticences des filles, observable en France, à s'engager dans des filières scientifiques et dans certaines professions de sciences appliquées se retrouvent-t-elle sous les mêmes formes au Québec?

Dans la cadre des échanges entrepris depuis 1989 entre le LERSCO et l'Université de Montréal, plusieurs rencontres ont eu lieu.

Un premier projet d'enquêtes communes a déjà été mis sur pied qui mobiliserait: à Montréal: Pierre Dandurand, Philippe Etchecopar et Marianne Kempeneers; à Nantes: Christian Baudelot, André Brillaud, Sylvette Denefle at Anne Guillou.

Fakultät für Soziologie

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The staff of the Faculty of Sociology is composed of 35 full professors, 35 assistant professors and 43 researchers employed for and paid by particular projects.

Research areas

 Theory and History of Sociology: Systems theory of modern society; Sociology of culture; History of sociology; Women studies;

 Methods of Empirical Sociology and Social Psychology

 Economy and Social Structure: Sociology of economy; Political economy; Regional planning;

 Politics and Administration: Political science; Social policy; Public administration; Risk management; Theory of social science planning;

 Work and Organization: Personnel and organization of enterprise; Future of work; Moral risk in the organizations;

Science and Technology

 Social Problems, Health and Social Policy

• Sociology of Development and Social Anthropology

Regular publication of the Faculty: Zeitschrift für Soziologie

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The Research Institute for Sociology was founded in 1919; it was the first sociological research institute in Germany. The idea came from the mayor of Cologne, Konrad Adenauer (after World War II the first chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany). The aim was to do research on social problems in three domains: sociology, social policy and employment regulations.

The first director of the sociological section of the Institute was Leopold von Wiese, at that time a major scholar in German sociology, head of the German Sociological Association, founder and editor of the scholarly journal Kölner Vierteljahreshefte für Soziologie, which under its later title Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie (Cologne Journal of Sociology and Social Psychology) is still the most prominent German sociological journal.

During the Nazi period the Institute was closed since Leopold von Wiese and his codirectors were not willing to turn it into an institute devoted to the Nazi party's interests.

After reopening in 1945, the Institute was split: the law section became an institute of the Law Faculty, the social policy section and the sociological section - still headed by Leopold von Wiese - became separate institutes of the Economics and Social Sciences Faculty. In 1949. René König, one of the most distinguished figures of the postwar German sociology, took the chair from von Wiese and in 1955 became director of the institute. He transformed it into a full-grown sociological research institute and added new fields of interest, such as mass communication, sociology of law and studies related to psycho-analysis.

It was René König who inaugurated and edited numerous books on empirical research methods and methodology, bringing predominantly the state of the art knowledge from the United States to German readers. His Handbook of Empirical Social Research is one of the best known books of that period and his pocket book Sociology sold more than 430.000 copies and was translated into several foreign languages.

What is named the Cologne School of Sociology - sound empirical research based on theory - was the combined result of König's efforts and those of his distinguished students, many of them now holding chairs at universities all over Germany.

In 1976 René König became professor emeritus and Friedhelm Neidhardt took his chair an became director of the research institute. This third period of the institute was characterized by renewed re-

search interest, pertaining to such topics as social movements, the reviewer system of the German Science Foundation, and a collaborator, Heinrich Best, worked on the parliamentary system in the 19th century. A larger amount of the international reputation of the institute came from another member of the institute. Professor Erich Weede, who did extensive studies and publications on quantitative methods and macro analysis linking social and economic structures.



In Fall 1990, after a vacancy of one and a half year the Institute was reorganized with a new staff by its present director, Jürgen Friedrichs, coming from the University of Hamburg, where he held a chair in Sociology and directed the Center for Comparative Urban Research. The Insti ute has now one director, two professors, four assistant professors, research assistants, and graduate students as constant collaborators.

The Institute still edits the Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziology und Sozialpsychologie, now in its 43rd year.

Research concentrates on micromacro analysis, advances in rational choice theory, comparative urban research and unemployment in the Western and Eastern part of Germany.

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Origins

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The CSSA has operated under the supervision of the Ministry of Education and was the country's first institution for the exclusive purpose of promoting sociology as a science. At a time still loaded with the postwar and, for Greece, post-civil war atmosphere of apprehension and political bigotry, the creation of the CSSA was decisive in initiating the study of social phenomena at the academic level. In fact, throughout the 1950's, sociology was barely known in Greece and

practically absent from the curricula of the country's universities. Thus, the CSSA's function encompassed far larger tasks than its nominal research activities.

In fact, the CSSA not only encouraged the enunciation of thoughts and the theories on the evolution of Greek society. It should also be noted that the accommodation of unimpeded and systematic exchange of ideas and often conflicting views resulted in the shaping of a whole new generation of social scientists, and it is certainly not accidental that the majority of today's university professors of sociology have served a stint at the CSSA.

By force of a series of Compulsory Decrees of 1968, the Centre for Social Science of Athens was renamed National Centre for Social Research (NCSR). In 1974, following the collapse of the military Junta, the NCSR was once again reorganized. Its scientific activities were re-defined and its orientation towards the empirical study of current social issues were reestablished. Along these lines, the Centre scheduled and implemented a number of major empirical research projects on: the role and operation of aq-

ricultural co-operatives

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A total of 109 books have been published, some of which are translations of basic works of sociological bibliography, and co-publications with other research institutions. A detailed catalogue of the NCSR's publications available at the Center.

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Report submitted by E. Sorokos, Head, Administration Service

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The Institute of International Sociology of Gorizia, ISIG, was established in 1968, from the coming together of two different intentions and motivations. On the one hand, its creation was desired by the representatives of a community (Gorizia and the Region of Friuli-Venezia Giulia) that lives in an interethnic environment within an international context and that intends to develop relations of peaceful co-existence also thanks to an Institute that studies the problems of borders and international relations. On the other hand, it was supported by Professor Vittorio Bachelet and by Professor Franco De Marchi, to whom we owe the identification of an "international sociology".

The community's needs and the special rigor that characterizes a scientific institution made it possible to identify the statutory objectives of ISIG: to carry out studies and researches and to organize conferences; to provide the authorities with the information needed to promote cultural development; to hold seminars and specialization courses for new graduates and scholars.

Today, after the changes that have occurred in Eastern and Central Europe, ISIG's activity results from the intersection of two dimensions: on the one hand, the new Europe and the relations between the North and South of the world, and, on the other, the relations between international social actors.

Operationally, up to 1989 ISIG accumulated theoretical and empirical knowledge on the problems of the borders of Alps Adria, of ethnic minorities, of interethnic relations, of space and its symbolics, and on topics related to predicting the future.

It is hoped that all this work guarantees for Gorizia that central position that grows out of its geographical location and that is supported by the teaching institutions for international coexistence and by the cultural institutions for Central Europe. This central position must be adequately recognized and enabled to express its entire potential.

In this condition, in order to carry out research and cultural activities, books, pamphlets and notebooks are not enough. The newly launched **ISIG Review** aims to complete and integrate these publications. In particular, it intends to offer a mix of ideas produced by ISIG and research results that may be of interest both to social and political workers and scholars. It will be semi-monographic in nature, in the sense that the theoretical article and the central page will deal with the same subject. Regular sections of the Review are: the presentation and discussion of books published by ISIG; the on-going activities and those to be soon carried out; and, lastly, there will be a list of the working papers produced by the Institute, the original data used in research and the data banks available on Technology and the Future. Mass Emergencies and Border Towns.

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At present, the Department of Sociology of the University of Milano, is composed of 5 full professors, 12 associate professors, and 21 researches, as well as technical and administrative personnel.

The Department offers courses on methodology of social research and of political science, sociology of law, sociology of education, family research, medical sociology, urban sociology, history of sociology.

Research projects conducted presently at the Department are: legislation concerning drugs. New Deal as a liberal experiment, Foreign immigration in Milan, Violence in sport as a ritual of aggression, Effects of new technologies on work quality, Data base for socio-demographic research, Political culture in Milan of the 1980's, Old people in a family, Comanalysis of parative secularization in Italy and France, Home identification of various generations, Models of employees' activities, European legal tradition and contemporary law in Latin America, Motivation behind elections, Risk assessment in informatics, Politicians and bureaucrats on a local level, Marginality in the urban areas of Novara, Varese and Milan, New professions, Use of informatics in didactic, Poverty studies, Organization of football fans in Milan, Women studies and sociological practice, Violence in prisons, Poverty in a society of economic abundance, Environmental studies, etc.

On an **international level**, the Department initiated a cooperation with the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Buenos Aires. Moreover, it participates in the inter-university program Erasmus in close collaboration with the Department of Political Sciences of the University of Warwick (United Kingdom) and with l'Institute des Etudes Politique de Université de Grenoble (France).

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• the area of applied sociology (sociology of the organization, sociology of politics) deals with empirical research on each particular field;

• the area of mass media in particular interested in the political communication (recently an Archive on Political Communication has been established within the Institute);

• the area of ethnology and anthropology deals both with theoretical problems of the field and empirical research.

Each professor of the Institute (there are two full professors and five associated professors) teach one "institutional" course each year, that is to say that these courses deal with the basic elements of each field.

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Moreover, the Institute carries out research in all the fields listed above.

The personnel is composed of seven members: three professors, one full-time researcher, two part-time researches, one part-time secretary and librarian.

The Institute is endowed with a research library of 5.000 volumes and with 5 personal computers.

The most important research projects and publications of the Institute are as follows:

 I giovani europei e la pace, Leumann (Torino), Editrice Elle DI Ci, 1988. The research was conducted among youngsters of 12 European countries who were then attending the final course of the upper secondary school. The aims were: the reconstruction of the "semantic universe" of the youth culture on peace; a census of what young people considered as "resources" for peace; the description of what the youth considered as objective and subjective obstacles to the attainment and maintenance of peace as well as to an education for peace.

• Pieroni V, G. Milanesi, G. Malizia, *Giovani arischio*, Roma, CNOS/FAP, 1989. This research aimed at analyzing relevant experiences of vocational education, organized inside and outside Italian prisons, with a view to recuperating young people to society.

 Malizia G., S. Chistolini, V. Pieroni, *I percorsi formativi della* scuola e della formazione professionale, Roma, CNOS/ FAP, 1990. The research aimed at analyzing the opinions of relevant teachers and pupils on the hypothesis of the raising of compulsory age from 14 to 16 years and of compulsory education from 8 to 10 years of length, which is at present under debate in Italy. It involved four nationally stratified samples: students and teachers of the first level vocational education; students and teachers of the first two year cycle of upper secondary education.

• Mion R. (ed.), *Emarginazione* e associazionismo giovanile, Roma, Ministerio dell'Interno, 1990. A documentary research aimed at describing, analyzing and evaluating the development of the marginalisation and its prevention in the Italian society from the post-war period until now.

• G. Malizia, Z. Trent (eds.), Una disciplina in camino, Torino, SEI, 1991. A survey of the situation of religious education in Italy. It comprised 11 nationally stratified samples of teachers, parents and students of primary, middle and upper secondary education (about 9,000 people).

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CES offers also a **Ph.D. program** in social sciences with sociology as specialization. So far 80 students, mainly Mexican and Latin American, have been admitted. The program offers a wide range of seminars on major theoretical, methodological and practical issues pertinent to sociologists in the developing countries.

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Sociology was institutionally established as a university department in Singapore in 1965, coincidentally, the same year that the country achieved the status of independent republic. It was also 36 years after the main English-medium university was established. Before describing the Department of Sociology's activities, it is useful to take a brief glance at its historical background.

While in Europe Max Weber produced The Protestant Ethic and The Spirit of Capitalism (1904-1905), the seeds of tertiary education were just being planted in Singapore with the establishment, in 1905, of the Medical School by the British Colonial Government in response to strong lobbying by the local intellectuals. As the advance of sociological knowledge continued in Europe and Weber worked on his Economy and Society. Politics as a Vocation, Science as a Vocation, and Sociology of Religion (1910-1920), and Ferdinand Tonnies published his Sociological Studies and Criticisms (1925-1929), tertiary education was developing albeit slowly, in Singapore but there were no signs of sociology yet. The medical school was transformed into the King Edward VII College of Medicine in 1921, and expanded with the addition of the Department of Dental Surgery in 1929. That year, Raffles College, covering arts and science subjects, was created with a view to serve as the nucleus of a future university. It was only after the Second World War, in 1949, when the College of Medicine and Raffles College were amalgamated to form the University of Malaya. Following the political developments of the post Second World War period, the University of Malaya underwent a transformation, first by its division into a Malaysian campus and a Singaporean campus in 1959, and then by the step towards autonomy of each division in 1960, whereby the Singapore campus became the University of Singapore. In 1980, the smaller, Chinese-medium Nanyang University was merged with the University of Singapore to form the current National University of Singapore (NUS).

The Department of Sociology at NUS has developed considerably since it was first set up in 1965 with only three staff members. They were a British professor as the Head of Department, the secretary, and an office messenger. Five more foreign teaching staff - one British, three Americans and one Pakistani- were recruited before 1970 when the first Singaporean sociologist, trained in the United States, joined the faculty. Today, the Department has 29 teaching staff members of whom three are Associate Professors, twelve are Senior Lecturers, ten are Lecturers, and four are Senior Tutors (i.e. teaching assistants). Of the four senior tutors, two are currently at American universities working on their Ph.D. degrees under NUS sponsorship. While the main focus of the Department is on sociology, seven of the 25 principal teaching staff are anthropologists and eleven of the 31 courses offered by the Department are anthropology courses.

There is an interesting mix of the European and American traditions shaping the teaching and research work at the Department of Sociology. The British tradition was inherited as part of the colonial history of Singapore and it is still represented today by the three British anthropologists in our midst. All the other colleagues -except three- have been trained in the American sociological tradition.

The areas of sociology covered in the Department's four year curriculum include research methodology, data analysis, sociological theory, industrial sociology, social psychology, social stratification, sociology of the family, development and social change, ethnic relations, sociology of deviance, political sociology, urban sociology, sociology of professions, sociology of organizations and social policy. Following a faculty-wide policy, the most recent development in the teaching of sociology implemented this year, consists of the requirement for undergraduate students to take only one other subject in addition to sociology - they could take two additional subjects before. This change will help in increasing the depth of their exposure to sociology in the second and third years. The NUS grants a general Bachelor of Social Science degree at the end of the third year, and an Honours degree in Social Sciences (Sociology) after the successful completion of the fourth year. Only the best third year students are invited to proceed to the Honours Year. Sociology is a very popular subject among students in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Over 1,000 first year students apply every year to read sociology. The Department has instituted an aptitude test to provide a fair selection process as the demand exceeds the number of applicants that can be accepted. The Department also has graduate students working on their M.Soc.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees.

The Department of Sociology at NUS has recognized since its inception, the importance of empirical research and of research-oriented teaching. Both foreign and local members of the academic staff have been consistently inclined to do empirical research on Singapore in particular, and on Southeast Asia, in general. This basic principle has been reinforced by the NUS emphasis on publications as one of the main criteria for the evaluation and promotion of academic staff. In addition to papers published in a vast number of internationally recognized sociological journals, books, and chapters in books published both locally and overseas, there are two publications that are the flagships of the Department's commitment to research and scholarship. These publications are the Southeast Asian Journal of Social Sciences published since 1973, and the Sociology Working Papers Series published periodically since 1972 at an average of six issues per year. The 100th issue of the Working Papers was published in 1991 as a Special Issue under the title Explorations in Asian Sociology. Both the Journal and the Working Papers are available at the libraries of major universities in the United States, Britain, and Australia.

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The Centre for Intergroup Studies was established in 1968 as an autonomous research institute to promote and conduct research on intergroup studies in South Africa. For almost a quarter of a century, it has brought together individuals and organizations with different and often conflicting ideological perspectives, and has developed over the years projects and services that are now in demand nationwide.

The Centre operates in four separate but interrelated areas in implementing its **Mission Statement**: The Center for Intergroup Studies seeks to contribute towards a just peace in South Africa by enabling and empowering conflicting groups to handle their differences constructively, creatively and coperatively.

Facilitation and Mediation as an impartial third party in community and political disputes. Historically the Centre has an impressive record of mediation in a number of conflict situations. The Director has been invited to mediate in disputes ranging from community disputes to major regional conflicts. The facilitation of dialogue between the establishment and the ANC in exile was another of the Centre's major undertakings. With the dramatic changes in South Africa since February 1990, there has been an unprecedented awareness of the need for negotiations at all levels, and the Centre functions as a resource for this process.

Education of the wider public as to the potential of negotiation and mediation as constructive tools for conflict management. Over the years the Centre has produced papers and articles for academic and popular journals, conducted seminars, workshops and conferences at regional, national and international level, at which the crucial issues of the day have been examined.

Research, mostly applied, underpins all of the Centre's undertaking, and is largely focused both on ways of promoting communication between conflicting groups, and on reducing violence.

Training in negotiation and mediation skills of a broad spectrum of community and national leaders. This aspect of the Centre's work has become increasingly vital, and the expertise of Ron Kraybill, Director of Training, is heavily in demand throughout South Africa.

Current projects

• Understanding the Violence in South Africa: towards interpretation and intervention.

This project, established in response to requests from opposing sides of the political spectrum, is designed to serve political and community groupings as they search for constructive ways to understand and intervene in the violence that is tearing South Africa apart. Its goal is to analyse the current state of violence, to contextualise it, and to provide an interpretation that can be translated into practical measures for intervention. Facilitation and Mediation Services of South Africa (FMS).

This project is based on groundwork laid by the Centre over many years and extensive consultations with all sectors. FMS will provide facilitation and mediation services and an extensive training programme in community and political conflict, and be available to all political parties and community groupings. Regional centers will be established and panels of mediators appointed who can intervene at the request of the conflicting parties. A pilot project is being developed in the Western Cape which can be duplicated in other regions of the country.

Recent publications

Conscientious Objection, Cape Town: Centre for Intergroup Studies, 1989

Pursuing Justice and Peace in South Africa, by H.W. van der Merwe, London: Routledge, 1989

Alternative National Service, Cape Town: Centre for Intergroup Studies, 1990

The Influence of Violence on Children, Cape Town: Centre for Intergroup Studies, 1990

The Purple Shall Govern: A South African A to Z of nonviolent action, edited by Dene Smuts and Shauna Westcott. Cape Town: Oxford University Press and Centre for Intergroup Studies.

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The Center for Sociological Research, CIS, is a governmental research institute created in 1963 under the name of Instituto de Opinión Pública, and changed in 1977 to its present name. Research Department is responsible for planning, design and elaboration of analytical studies of the Spanish society. CIS conducts surveys on its own initiative as well as on request of various institutions.

Data Base Department has an impressive collection of surveys conducted since 1963. It is the most comprehensive and frequently used source of data available to all researchers.

Publications Department

Revista Española de Investigaciones Sociológicas, a quarterly journal, contains articles, research results, reviews, as well as classical texts. In addition, it includes results of the most interesting opinion polls.

Colección Monografías, a series of monographs with 115 volumes published so far.

Fuera de Colección, a series of books of a non-monographic nature, a number of them devoted to famous social scientists.

Estudios y Encuestas, collection of research material of surveys conducted by CIS.

Cuadernos Metodológicos del CIS, a very recently launched series of thematic compendia of social science investigations.

The CIS Library contains over 15,000 volumes in social sciences, as well as an extensive selection of reviews, magazines, and the like.

With a purpose to promote social science research, CIS awards annually **Premio Nacional de Sociología y Ciencia Política** (National Prize in Sociology and Political Sciences), as well as grants for doctoral thesis and scholarships for young researchers trained at CIS.

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In 1955 a group of sociologists led by Jesús María Vázquez founded a centre for social and religious research called "Barriada y Vida". Since 1968 the center has been known as the Institute of Applied Sociology.

Members of the Institute come from different regions of Spain as well as from the Latin American countries. The Institute has developed its own technical base, library and a documentation center. Its activities include consultation, evaluation and assessment in the following areas: family, position of women, children and youth, old people, education, health, the disabled, drug addicts, delinquents, and use of free time. Over 30 research projects have been completed in Spain and in Latin America, and some 50 books were published by the Institute.

The Institute publishes regularly *Cuadernos de Realidades Sociales* (two issues a year published in one volume).

Recent research projects

Technics of social research, The Gypsies in Murcia, Abortion in Spain, Drug addiction of young people in Burgos, Opinion of a street crowd, Catholicism in Spain, Secularization process, Rehabilitation od drug addicts.



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Among the many achievements of the faculty this year, adaptation to the dramatic enrollment increase is noteworthy. Enrollment increased in both anthropology and sociology courses. In the 1989-1990 academic year, 2,254 students completed courses in the department - an increase of 575 students or 34 per cent.

This year, departmental faculty in residence report publication or acceptance of 10 articles in seven different professional journals. Other publishing activity includes nine monographs including technical briefs and project reports - and seven chapters or essays in books. Faculty members made 22 presentations before professional associations and groups. They were awarded 13 new grants or contracts, which total more than \$1,125,000 during the past year to support their work.

Research resources of the Department are:

The Data Analysis Laboratory affords both undergraduate and graduate students full access to the University's computing systems.

The George A. McLean Institute for Community Development embraces a principle of The University of Mississippi: that a university is obligated to help provide solutions and alternatives to the problems of the state and region. The Institute is an instrument through which the University can place its intellectual resources directly at the disposal of the community. Engaged in basic research, the center works directly with community representatives to apply knowledge to the solution of community problems. The Institute sponsors nine-month leadership conference which allows participants to develop the effective and broad community leadership skills.

The McLean Institute is currently working in eight southern states on a variety of economic/ community development projects. It has helped establish leadership development programs in more than 100 counties throughout the South. Its areas of research and application include school reform, downtown redevelopment, community assessment, leadership and leadership development, and a variety of economic development topics.

Director: Vaughn L. Grisham

The Center for Archaeological Research. The expressed purposes of the Center are precisely those of the University-education, research and service. The primary mission of the Center is to improve the general understanding of prehistoric and historic events in the state and region while meeting these stated purposes. By providing cultural resource management expertise through contractual agreement, the Center is able to supply a valuable service to both the public and private sectors. Archaeological research and the services which we render in meeting cultural resource management needs are, therefore, wed in such a manner that one seldom occurs without the other.

During the past five years the Center has entered into the rapidly growing field of computer applications in the analysis of prehistoric settlement. In this we have worked closely with scientists at NASA and have utilized remote imaginary, both satellite and airborne, as well as geographic data such as digitized soils, streams, and elevation. The analysis is conducted on a specially equipped computer system which is available for students on thesis research.

Director: Robert M. Thorne, Associate Director: Jay K. Johnson

National Clearinghouse for Site Stabilization was formed trough an agreement with the Tennessee Valley Authority and the National Park Service. The function of the Clearinghouse is to assimilate pertinent data on archaeological site stabilization and to make both data and professional expertise available upon request. Graduate students are active participants in the various functions of the Clearinghouse, including the design and implementation of site protection projects.

Director: Robert M. Thorne

Center for Population Studies. One important function of the CPS is to disseminate United States Bureau of the Census data products. But CPS does a lot of other things as well, among them providing technical assistance in the collection and analysis of census and other demographic and social data, and undertaking research on population issues, such as fertility, migration and economic development.

As the Lead Agency of the State Data Center of Mississippi, the Center for Population Studies coordinates user access in Mississippi to products of the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Under a Joint Statistical Agreement between the state and the federal governments, the Census Bureau provides publications, maps, tapes and other data which CPS makes available to users directly through a network of 18 regional affiliates. In this capacity, the CPS has served as a data source for redistricting of towns and counties and for community development block grant projects.

Director: Max W. Williams

Center for the Study of Southern Culture. Since 1977 the Center has become an international leader in regional studies. Seeking to integrate knowledge through multidisciplinary study of the American South, the Center sponsors publication of reference works and anthologies, publishesthree magazines, develops media productions and exhibitions, sponsors conferences and
symposia for academic and general audiences, and builds extensive teaching and research collections. Especially noteworthy is the UM Blues Archive which contains major collections which are complementary in their coverage of blues topics ranging from the "Folk Revival" of the sixties to the influence and interchanges between blues, jazz, and popular music.

The Center supports research on topics ranging from southern folk arts to the history of science and medicine in the South and has compiled onevolume reference work that gives scholars, students, and general readers ready access to information on contemporary southern culture and its historic development. Published in 1989, the 1,500-page illustrated Encyclopedia of Southern Culture offers a unique factual, bibliographic, and conceptual resource on the American South and serves as a catalyst for further research. In preparing the Encyclopedia, Center personnel worked with more than 800 contributors in fields such as history, literature, sociology, anthropology, folklore, the sciences, medicine, religious studies, political science, psychology, art history, music, economics, law, and journalism.

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The Social Science Research Center, CISOR, non-lucrative private institution, was founded in 1966. Its main goal is to facilitate social science data and research results to the institutions and organizations responsible for the development of Venezuela.

CISOR is composed of the following Departments:

Surveys and Research Department (INVES) which since 1966 has completed over 40 research studies of its own as well as has assisted in a big number of solicited studies, research projects, surveys, diagnosis and evaluations, analysis of national statistics. Research topics, among others, were: population, family, youth, household, employment, health, education and teachers, human resources, social policy, social work, micro-enterprise, religion and the Church, institutional organization and development, rural development, social movements, etc.

Department of Social Development Information (DIDES) offers:

- a highly specialized Library in social sciences;

- microfilm service

- data base of social services available, organizations, experts, national statistics, social indicators,etc.

- design and consultation in establishing and running information centers; professional training of analystsdocumentalists.

Training School of Social Research (EPSIS) started its activities in 1983 and offers training to individuals as well as institutions. Its teaching programmes concentrate on: design and evaluation of research projects, conducting of research project, use of informatics in social sciences.

Scientific Community for Social Development (CCDS) is composed of professionals of different disciplines interested in interdisciplinary exchange of information and experience in promoting social development.

Report submitted by Alberto Gruson, Director

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The Ilustre Colegio de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología is a Public Law Official Corporation and is related with the state administration through the Ministry of Parliamentary Relations and the Secretary of the Government. It is a professional organization of sociologists and political scientists.

The Colegio is the most representative and superior of the country, with exception of those Autonomous Communities that have a professional association legally constituted. The main purpose of this organization is to associate the graduates and post-graduates of sociology and political sciences and to protect their interests. Promoting, at the same time, the professional opportunities and the social recognition from public and private institutions.

It was founded by a decree on August 11, 1953 and amended by the 1981 Statute, valid to the date, and replacing the previous norms dating from March 26, 1954 and December 22, 1960.

Activities

The Colegio promotes, together with other private and public associations and institutions, the scientific and professional interest in social sciences contributing to their development in Spain.

The Colegio represents all graduates and post-graduates that have obtained their degree in Spanish Universities or the correspondent degree abroad. At present there are more than three thousand members.

The Colegio is a member of the International Sociological Association and of the International Political Science Association. It also maintains close contacts with other scientific institutions and universities, as well as private firms, academic and professional organizations, both at national and international level.

It was a member of the Spanish Committee for the Organization of the XII World Congress of Sociology in Madrid, 1990.

Among its activities the most remarkable is the organization of conferences, debates and round tables about issues related to social sciences, as well as courses and activities of training and renovation for the professionals of these fields. Every year the Colegio awards a **prize** for the best PH.D. dissertations in order to stimulate the quality and validity of research among graduates. Moreover, in conjunction with the Ministry of Welfare, it grants the **Prize of Research in Welfare Issues**.

Publications

Cuadernos de Ciencia Política y Sociología, a quarterly journal, provides information about the main lines of research at various university departments and other institutions; gives news about recently finished PH.D. dissertations, work in progress, research methods applied.



Information Bulletin, a monthly bulletin which offers current news, includes names of new members, announces scientific and cultural activities organized by the Colegio and other institutions, like courses, conferences, books presentations etc.. Also, an important section is reserved to publish the summons of Prizes, Grants and Competitions related to social sciences. Finally, each number includes an interview with well known experts in social sciences.



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The Research Committee on Comparative Sociology currently numbers almost 100 members from 20 countries.

A book based on papers presented at the XII World Congress of Sociology is in preparation, edited by M. Dogan and A. Kazancigil, to be published by Blackwell.

A special edition of the journal, on *Religion and Politics*, is also in preparation.

The Committee will organize, jointly with Kibi International University, a conference in July 1992 in Takahashi City, Japan, on the following three topics: (1) the growing gap between richer and poorer countries, (2) the question of freedom/equality in advanced democracies, (3) the assessment of basic values in Europe, North America and East Asia.

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Membership is open to all sociologists with an active interest in the sociology of science and technology. Inquiries should be addressed to the Secretary/Treasurer.

Activities 1988-1990

In November 1988 the Research Committee organized a meeting in Amsterdam to coincide with the joint meeting of the European Association for the Study of Science and Technology (EASST) and the Society for Social Studies of Science (4S). The Research Committee meeting was organized around three themes: * the sociology of the social sciences (conveners Bjorn Wittrock, Peter Wagner); * science at the periphery (convener Steven Yearley); * science and professional practice (convener Olga Amsterdamska).

In addition, the RC23 cosponsored a very successful workshop organized by EASST and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, which took place in Veszprem (Hungary) in June 1989, with the title "The Intellectual and Organizational Interfaces of Science."

It is perhaps worth noting that the full programme of sessions organized at the Madrid World Congress included a number held jointly with other Research Committees: with RC Women in Society, with RC History of Sociology, and with the Working Group on Sociological Theory.

The business meeting held in Madrid, in addition to approving the election of a new Board, took a number of significant decisions. First, members voted overwhelmingly to change the name of the RC23 to Research Committee on the Sociology of Science and Technology. This change reflects the growing interest among sociologists of science in technology, and the emergence of new sociological approaches to the study of technology. The decision has since been notified to the ISA and is awaiting ratification.

Second, the questions of a Newsletter arose. The RC has never had its own Newsletter, and there was considerable discussion on the desirability of such an undertaking. Eventually an offer from J. Agassi (Israel) to try to put out a Newsletter - in conjunction with other interested members - was accepted.

Future activities

The Committee hopes to organize a scientific meeting in the course of 1992. In addition, the RC is sponsoring a Summer School for young Soviet scholars active in the area of science and technology studies, which it is hoped will take place in Leningrad in July 1992. This is being planned in collaboration with the Section on Sociology of Science of the Soviet Sociological Association.

RC 32: Women in Society

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N MEMORIAM: PAOLO AMMASSARI

by Margaret Archer, ISA President 1986-1990

Paolo has died and only those who worked closely with him will know the real extent of this lose. I will leave others to write about his lasting achievements in Sociology, for it was his personal contribution - that rare capacity to give oneself - which will be most missed in the ISA. During his first term on the Executive Committee (1986-90), he brought so much quiet strength and calm sanity to all our meetings. It didn't matter that its was 2 a.m., the Agenda unfinished, and most of us worn out: he would still be alert, clearthinking, considerate, never raising his voice but always moving us forward, constructively and with unvarying courtesy.

There are so many good memories of being with him.

In 1986 he was overwhelmed. like the rest of us, to be one of the 17 working in the Chateau Royal de Fontevraud, where once 5.000 monks had lived. Then in Rome (1987), during the Spring meeting of the Programme Committee, we discovered the Roman Paolo, with keys to the hidden treasures of his city. From there to a Caritas Hotel in Nadarzyn (Poland, 1988) and to the Bulgarian seaside (1989), it made no difference. I wondered if anything could ruffle this deep serenity



and only once did I see it - when Italy failed to reach the 1990 World Cup Final.

Our greatest sadness must be for the heavy burdens we imposed upon him during his last year, but which he continued to accept during his second term on the Executive Committee. This was the way he wanted it; to go on serving unselfishly to the end. Thus he continued to teach, participated in the European Amalfi Prize seminar in May, and opened the 30th Congress of the International Institute of Sociology in Japan this August. If we feel we have lost a tower of strength, how much more must we sympathize with his wife, Elke and daughters, Adriana and Savine.

Au revoir Paolo and thank you.



ECOND WORLDWIDE COMPETITION FOR YOUNG SOCIOLOGISTS

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1. The International Sociological Association (ISA) announces the organization of the second worldwide competition for young scholars engaged in social research. The winners will be invited to participate in the XIII World Congress of Sociology which will take place in Bielefeld, Germany, July 1994. The winners' papers will be published in English, subject to editorial revision, in the ISA's journal International Sociology.

2. By Young Scholars we mean people under 35 years of age on May 1st, 1993. In case of joint or multiple authorship, this rule applies to all authors of the submitted paper. Participants should hold a Master's degree (or an equivalent graduate diploma) in sociology or in a related discipline.

3. Candidates must send an original paper that has not been previously published anywhere. It should be no more than 6,000 words typewritten double spaced on one side of the paper with margins of 3 cm, and the pages numbered. Notes and the bibliography should appear at the end of the text. Papers which do not conform to these rules runtherisk of being turned down. We prefer papers focusing on

socially relevant issues. The phenomena examined may be social, economic, political, cultural or of any other kind, but their interpretation or analysis must show a sociological orientation (for instance, through the identification of social processes underlying the phenomena under scrutiny, critique of commonsense interpretations or of well established theories, etc.). Empirical research papers must go beyond descriptive reporting of results to broader, analytical interpretations. Papers will be judged according to perceptiveness with which issues are treated, the quality of empirical materials presented. the consistency with which an analytic framework is used, the originality of ideas, and the clarity of style. Extensiveness of referencing or the use of advanced statistical methods will be considered of only secondary importance, so as to provide participants throughout the world with as equal an opportunity as possible. We are particularly interested in receiving papers from scholars in Third World countries.

The five winners of the First Competition (1990) are not allowed to compete.

4. Papers may be written in one of the following languages: English, French, Spanish as well as Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, and Russian. A jury will be set up for each of these languages. To give a fair chance for participants whose mother tongue is none of the above, there will be other juries established in English, French or Russian, respectively, for papers submitted by authors who use any of these as a foreign language. All other scholars may also make use of this option if they prefer.

5. Two copies of equal typographical quality should be sent to the following address:

2nd ISA Worldwide Competition for Young Sociologists Attention Veronica Stolte-Heiskanen

University of Tampere

Department of Sociology and Social Psychology P.O. Box 607, 33101 Tampere,

Finland

Tel. 358-31-156564

Fax 358-31-156080, telex 22263

They should be postmarked April 1st, 1993 at the latest or reach the Tampere Secretariat before May 1st, 1993. In order to protect anonymity during the selection process, authors should not put their name on the paper itself but include a separate sheet of paper with their family name (capital letters), first name, sex, date of birth, mother tongue, degrees, address where they can be reached and (optionally) their present occupation. All this information should also be given in one of the official languages of the ISA.

6. Initially, each jury will consider which papers reach a sufficiently high standard to be issued with a letter of official commendation and be listed in the ISA Bulletin.

Each jury will then preselect (by September 1993) a maximum of three papers. These finalists will receive *Merit Award Certificates*, a four-year membership in the ISA, and an invitation to participate in the XIII World Congress. The ISA, however, cannot guarantee to cover their travel costs. All authors thus preselected will also be invited to participate in a oneweek seminar prior to the Congress.

Out of the preselected finalists, a Grand Jury chaired by the ISA President T.K. Oommen will select five winning papers. Their authors will be immediately invited, all expenses paid, to participate in the World Congress. In case of multiple authorship, the subvention will have to be shared.

Additional information may be obtained from the Competition Secretariat in Tampere (see address above).



RIZES, FELLOWSHIPS, JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Premio Europeo Amalfi

The fourth European Amalfi Prize for Sociology and Social Sciences has been won by Rainer M. Lepsius and Wolfgang J. Mommsen for the volume Max Weber, Briefe 1906-1908, published by Mohr of Tübingen. Long-awaited, the letters of Max Weber are an important witness not only for the history of sociology but also for European culture in general at the beginning of the century. The editors' dedication has produced a work which is exemplary both for its comprehension of much of Weber's thinking and for its interpretation of German intellectual life in that period.

The Scientific Committee for the Prize has also given a special mention to the following works as being of scientific relevance for European sociology: La trasparence du mal by Jean Baudrillard (published by Galilée). L'art de se persuader by Raymond Boudon (published by Fayard), and Una fede senza dogmi by Franco Ferrarotti (published by Laterza). In addition, it has awarded the Bulzoni Editore Special Prize for a work that opens up new perspectives in the field of the social sciences to the book by Nicole Lapierre La silence de la mémoire (published by Plon).

Stein Rokkan Prize in Comparative Research

The International Social Science Council in conjunction with the Conjunto Universitario Candido Mendes (Rio de Janeiro), announces that the next ISSC Prize in Comparative Research established in homage to the memory of its former President, the late Stein Rokkan, will be awarded for the sixth time in the autumn of 1992.

The prize is intended to reward a very substantial and original contribution in *comparative social science research* by a scholar under 40 year of age on 31st December 1992. It can be either an unpublished manuscript of book length or a printed book or collected works published after 31st December 1989.

A formal letter of application should be sent before 15th March 1992 to The Secretary General, International Social Science Council, UNESCO, rue Miollis 1, 75015 Paris, France.

Dorothy Marchus Senesh Fellowship

The International Peace Research Association Foundation invites applications for the Dorothy Marchus Senesh Fellowship in Peace and Development Studies for Third World Women.

The Fellowship is available to third world women who have completed a Bachelor's degree, who have been accepted into a graduate program and whose graduate work is to be focused on issues related to the focus of the International Peace Research Association (IPRA).

Applications are due by May 1, 1992, at: IPRA, Department of Sociology, Campus Box 327, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309-0327, USA, tel: (303)492 2550, fax: (393) 492 6388.

World Society Foundation

The Foundation for the Promotion of Social Science Research on World Society - World Society Foundation - funds selected proposals for research on the structure of, and changes in the world society. The next deadline for applications is February 1, 1992.

Further details are contained in World Society Studies, a series available together with application forms from World Society Foundation, c/o Sociological Institute, University of Zurich, Rämistr. 69, CH-8001 Zurich, Switzerland.

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For information about the Institute, the position as Director, and the application procedure, please contact Grete Thingelstad, Administrative Director, PRIO, Fuglehauggata 11, 0260 Oslo, Norway, tel: 472-557150, fax: 472-558422.



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For more information about this special issue, contact Marvin B. Sussman (Department of Individual and Family Studies, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716, USA, tel: 302-4518511, fax: 302-7379654) or Roma S. Hanks (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688, USA, tel: 205-4606347, fax: 205-4607925).

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Papers should be submitted to Merry Moash, Editor, School of Criminal Justice, Baker Hall, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI. 48824, USA

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Amsterdam, The Netherlands Organizer:

Institute for the Study of the Human-Animal Relationship and Netherlands Universities' Institute for the Coordination of Research in the Social Sciences (SISWO)

Main themes:

influence of natural science on the human-animal relationship; human-animal relationship as an object of social research; animals and the cult (culture) of natural science; animal care (ethical) committees between the scientific community and government Information:

Dr. E.K. Hicks, SISWO, P.O.Box 19079 1000 GB Amsterdam, The Netherlands tel: (31-20)5270600, fax: (31-20)6229430

March 12-15, 1992

Comparative and International Education Society Annual Conference Place:

Annapolis, Maryland, USA Theme:

Crisis in the Quality of Education

Topics:

Organization, content, and processes of formal and nonformal education in the context of cultural, economic, and political dynamics at the local, national and global levels

Information:

Stephen Hevneman, CIES Conference The World Bank, 1818 H St. N.W.

Washington, DC 20433, USA, fax: (202)4771996

March 16-18, 1992

European Congress on Youth - Economy - Politics Place:

Mannheim, Germany Topics:

Changes in Europe ad young people: living conditions in different regions of Europe; educational and vocational opportunities: perception of market economy and multicultural coexistence in Europe; what does the economy expect of youth.

Information:

Deutsches Jugensinstitut, Dr Klaus Wahl

Freibadstrasse 30, D-8000 München 90

Germany, fax: (89)62306162

April 6-9, 1992

British Sociological Association Annual Conference Place:

University of Kent, Canterbury, UK

Theme:

A New Europe?

Panels:

Comparative research: theory and practice: Eastern Europe: post-communism and emergent social structures; EC harmonization: employment and training; Globalization; Citizenship, political order and social cohesion; Race, ethnicity, and migration; Youth and social change; New social movements. Information:

BSA 1992 Conference Committee, Institute for Social Research, Eliot College, The University of Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NS, UK

April 9-11, 1992

ISA Research Committee on History of Sociology Place:

Budapest, Hungary Themes:

Global issues in the history of sociology; Karl Mannheim and his contemporaries; History of styles of research; History of The empirical research; Mannheimian heritage in the social sciences; The relation between sociology and public audiences.

Information:

Dirk Käsler, Institute of Sociology, University of Hamburg, Allende Platz 1, 2000 Hamburg 13, Germany

April 13-15, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Economy and Society, CLASCO and IUPERRJ Place:

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Theme:

Dilemmas and Perspectives of Development for Latin America: Neo Liberal Experiments of Refoundation

Topics:

Changes in the international context and structural reforms of national economies: Alternative projects on development strategies; Social actors in the process of modernization: entrepreneurs, trade unions and

political elites vis-à-vis the Latin American crisis; Equity and growth: strategies of development in the context of social inequality in Latin America. Information:

Renato Boschi, IUPERJ, Rua da Matriz 82, Botafogo, Rio de Janeiro 22260, Brazil

April 24-26, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Urban and Regional Development Place:

Los Angeles, California, USA Theme:

A New Urban and Regional Hierarchy? Impacts of Modernization, Restructuring, and the End of Bipolarity

Topics:

Emerging world economic geographies; regions within the world economy; convergence and divergence among regional blocs; convergence and divergence among cities; impacts of new world political alignments on cities and regions; the state of urban and regional theory; the downturn in the world economy - cyclical or structural?, worldwide or regional?; restructuring in the service sector compared with the manufacturing sector; regionalism and the decay of nation states - is there a single world hierarchy of cities?; the current status of growth coalitions; race, gender, ethnicity, and migration in the contemporary system of cities and regions.

Information:

Ward Thomas, Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning, UCLA, 1317 Perloff Hall, Los Angeles, CA 90024-1467, USA, fax: (213)2065566

April 27 - May 1, 1992

Post-totalitarian transition: the case of Poland Place:

University of Gdansk, Poland **Topics:**

Adaptive reactions of the population; participation in

public affairs; forms of social regulation; system of values. Information:

Brunon Synak, Department of Sociology, University of Gdansk, Wita Stwosza 55, 80-952 Gdansk, Poland Jacques Coenen-Huther, Department of Sociology, University of Geneva, 1211 Geneva 4, Switzerland



ISA Research Committee on Family Research Place:

Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

Theme:

XXVII CFR Seminar: History of Marriage

Topics:

Marriage formation, stability, and dissolution; remarriage; celibacy and widowhood; law and institutions; ideology; nuptiality; family economy; sexuality; martial relations. Information:

Roderick Phillips, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada K1S 5B6, tel: (613)788.2824, fax: (613)788.2819

May/June 1992

ISA Research Committee on Family Research Place:

Taiwan

Theme:

XXVIII CFR Seminar: Family Formation and Dissolution, Perspectives from East and West

Information:

Chin-Chun Yi, The Institute of Three Principles of the People, Academia Sinica, Nanking, Taipei, Taiwan, e-mail: TPCCYI@TWNAS886

June 1-4, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Deviance and Social Control Place:

Budapest, Hungary Theme:

Social Changes, Crime and Police

Topics:

The effects of social changes on crime and criminal policy: the influences of changes in society and in crime on the structure and staff of the police; relationship between the police and the population; the place and role of the police within the new system of social institutions; the attitude of the police to social changes and to professional reliability; the police and the victims of crime: the training of policemen; the mass media, the citizens and the police; questions related to the organization of the police.

Information:

Jozsef Vigh, Criminological Department, Eötvös Lóránd University, Egyetem tér 1-3, 1364 Budapest, Hungary, fax:117-4091

June 12-14, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Sociological Theory Place:

Uppsala, Sweden

Theme:

Theoretical Lessons of the Transition from Communism: Convergence Theory Revisited Information:

Jeffrey Alexander, Dept Sociology, 405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024-1551, USA, fax: (1-213)2069838

June 17-19, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Sociology of Aging Place:

Gerontology Research Center, Stockholm, Sweden Theme:

Cross-National Research in Gerontology

Topics:

Community care systems; Demography; Ethical issues; Health behavior; Informal support systems; Loneliness, social support and well-being. Information:

Lars Anderson, Stockholm Gerontology Research Center, Dalagatan 9-11, S-113 82 Stockholm, Sweden, fax: (46-8)335275

June 17-21, 1992

ISA Thematic Group on **Environment and Society** Place:

Woudschoten (Utrecht), The Netherlands

Theme:

Current Developments in Environmental Sociology

Topics:

Social dynamics of material and immaterial cultural developments; social dynamics of technology developments and transfers; international comparative and transnational aspects of prevention of pollution; democracy and civil participation as a precondition of environmental policy; ecological social movements and public opinion: human impacts and policy dimensions of global environmental change; disposing of hazardous wastes - international equity issues; environmental teaching and research. Information:

August Gijswijt, SISWO, P.O.Box 19079, 1000 GB Amsterdam, The Netherlands, fax: (31-20)6229430

June 25-27, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Sociotechnics - Sociological Practice and Working Group on Social Indicators Place:

Erasmus University of Rotterdam, The Netherlands Theme:

The Good Society: Applications of the Social Sciences

Call for papers on: Problems, theory and methods of diagnosing policy problems, of evaluation, of policy intervention (including research utilization and interesting cases). Information:

Bernadette Wolters, RCYW, Leiden University, POB 9555, 2300 RB Leiden, The Netherlands, fax:(31-71)273619

June 29 - July 3, 1992

ISA Research Committee on

Sociology of Law Annual Conference Place:

Mexico City, Mexico

Theme:

Law and International Integration in Contemporary Society Topics:

Legal profession; Law and social systems; Litigation; Law and communication. Legal semiotics; Thesaurus of sociology of law

Information:

Rogelio Pérez-Perdomo, Apartado 47849 Caracas 1041-A, Venezuela

July 3-4, 1992

Annual Meeting of the ISA Working Group on Clinical Sociology

Place:

Paris, France Information:

Vincent

de Gualejac. Université Paris VII, Changement Social, 2 place Jussiue, 75251 Paris Cedex 05, France

July 7-10, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Housing and the Built Environment

Place:

Montreal, Canada Theme:

V International Research Conference on Housing: At the Crossroads

Topics:

Housing and changing societies; Affordability and housing need; Control over housing; Housing communities; Politics of housing; Quality of life and housing; Supply of housing. Information:

CIRH 92, INRS-Urbanisations, 3465 rue Durocher, Montreal, Canada H2X 2C6, fax: (514)4994056

July 13-17, 1992

II World Congress on Violence and Human Coexistence Place:

Montreal, Canada

Organizer:

International Association for Scientific Exchange on Violence and Human Coexistence Topics:

The nature and forms of violence; Social violence: discrimination, racism, war, genocide, economic disparities; Violence towards persons; Violence against the human milieu: ecological deteriorations, technical risks, industrial, economic and technological expansion on a world scale: Solutions and cures for violence: education, law, addressing injustices and disparities, heightening of awareness Information:

World Congress ASEVICO, Université de Montréal, C.P. 6128, Succ. A, Montréal, Canada H3C 3J7, fax: (514)3432252

July 13-17, 1992

XXII International Congress of Administrative Sciences Place:

Vienna, Austria

Theme:

Public Administration in the Nineties: Trends and Innovations Topics:

Protecting the environment: administrative implications and international cooperation; Law and science of public administration; Administrative structure and management; Personnel administration; Planning and forecasting; Public enterprises; Public finances and financial administration: Economic change and administrative innovation.

Information:

International Institute of Administrative Sciences, rue Defacqz 1, Bte 11, 1050 Bruxelles, Belgium, fax: (2)5379702

July 21-23, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Sociology of Education Place:

Amsterdam, The Netherlands Theme:

Sociological Research and Educational Policy

Topics:

How successful are sociologists of education in influencing educational policies? The relations of sociological research to educational policy in specific substantive areas, such as policies aimed at particular populations or school sectors; The relations of sociological research to educational policies in specific parts of the world - such as Eastern and Western Europe or the Third World: The relations of sociological research to policies aimed at educational change, such as school reforms.

Abstracts:

Should be sent until April 1, 1992 to Jaap Dronkers (Center of Educational Research, Univ Amsterdam, Grote Bickersstr 72, 1013 KS Amsterdam, The Netherlands) and Abraham Yogev (School of Education, Tel Aviv Univ, 69978 Tel Aviv, Israel)

August 24-28, 1992

X World Congress of the International Economic Association Place: Moscow, USSR Information: Jacky Jennings, STICERD -LSE, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE, UK, fax:

August 26-29, 1992

(71)2422357

First European Conference of Sociology Place: Vienna, Austria

Theme:

Sociological Perspectives on a Changing Europe. Paradoxes of Socioeconomic, Political and Cultural Transformation.

Topics:

Economic integration and cultural identity of Europe; A European society in the making; The political transformation of Europe; Trends in the development of sociology in Europe and in the individual countries. **Information:**

Inst Sociology, Univ Vienna, Neutorgasse 12/19, Postfach 137, 1013 Vienna, Austria, fax: 5336592

September 7-11, 1992

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Nairobi, Kenya

Theme:

Third World Priorities for 1990's

Topics:

Children at risk; equalization of opportunities within the north-south context; self-reliance and inter-dependence in the disability community; the challenges of modern technologies.

Information:

Rehabilitation International, 25 East 21 st Street, New York 10010, USA, fax: (212)5050871

October 14-17, 1992

III International Conference of the International Associa-

tion for the Study of Traditional Environment Place:

lace.

Paris, France

Theme:

Development vs Tradition: the Cultural Ecology of Dwellings and Settlements

Topics:

Dialectic tension and potential balance between development and tradition in the built environment; the impact of globalization, tourism; the commodification of culture; regionalism.

Abstracts:

500 word abstracts specifying topic and a C.V. are due February 15, 1992

Information:

IASTE'92 Conference, Center for Environmental Design Research, University of California, 390 Wurster Hall, Berkeley, CA94720, USA, fax: (510)6435571

October, 1992

ISA Research Committee on Economy and Society Place:

Montreal, Canada

Theme:

Technological Changes and Their Impact

Topics:

Technology policy in the 1990's; Technological innovations and labour; Social innovations within the enterprise;

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