AS FROM AUGUST 15th THE ISA SECRETARIAT MOVES TO MONTREAL

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SECRETARIAT OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION TO MOVE TO MONTREAL IN SEPTEMBER 1974

Reuben Hill, President of the International Sociological Association, announces the selection of Montreal, Canada as the new location for the ISA headquarters effective September 1974. After a year of assessment of alternate sites and protracted negotiations with Canadian authorities the Executive Committee of the ISA has unanimously endorsed a proposal to locate the Secretariat within the new quarters of the University of Quebec at Montreal. Unqualified support has been given by the several interested sectors of the Canadian sociological community: The Canadian Sociological and Anthropological Association and the Association Canadienne des Anthropologues et Sociologues de Langue Francaise, and the several departments of sociology of the universities in the province of Quebec (the University of Montreal, the University of Quebec at Montreal, Sir George Williams University, the University of Laval, and McGill University among others).

Leadership in developing the proposal has been coordinated through Hubert Guindon, ISA executive committeeman in Canada, who has done yeoman work both in representing the interests of the ISA in negotiations, and in insisting on a united support from the crucial Canadian associations before submitting the final proposal to the Executive Committee. Crucial initiatives were undertaken on behalf of the proposal by the rector of the University of Quebec at Montreal, Dr. Léo Dorais, who offered the office spaces and equipment required for the Secretariat, and Professor Marcel Ralfe, who as chairman has assured the ISA of the support of UQAM’s department of sociology in providing when needed the voluntary services of his staff for manning the Secretariat. Dr. Jacques Dufrey, chairman of the department of sociology of the University of Montreal and president of the Association Canadienne des Anthropologues et Sociologues de Langue Francaise, secured funding Quebec Ministry of Education to underwrite the higher salary and operation costs for the ISA Secretariat in the Canadian setting of $20,000 annually for four years.

The executive staff members of the Secretariat nominated by the Canadian associations and approved by the Executive Committee are, as Executive Secretary, Dr. Céline St. Pierre of the Department of Sociology, University of Quebec at Montreal, and former secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Sociological and Anthropological Association, who has recently defended successfully her doctoral thesis at the Ecole-Pratique des Hautes Etudes under Georges Friedman; and as Deputy Executive Secretary, Professor Kurt Jonassohn of Sir George Williams University, who is currently secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Sociological and Anthropological Association, and who is well known for his interested work for the ISA on the Canadian Local Arrangements Committee of the Eighth World Congress. These scholars both have the full support of the Montreal sociological community and equally important, are dedicated competent administrators fully prepared linguistically to cope with the languages used by most of the international community of scholars.

Arrangements for a smooth transition from Milano to Montreal are underway with conferences between Dr. St. Pierre occurring in Milan about transfers of equipment and archives and consultations in Montreal between Professor Jonassohn and Dr. Ralfe at the University of Quebec at Montreal about the decorations and appointments for the new headquarters at UQAM. Both sets of executives and staff of the new and old Secretariats will be serving in the central offices of the ISA at the Eighth World Congress of Sociology at Toronto in August after which the new staff will take over the heavy responsibilities of the ongoing services to the ISA’s several constituencies.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETINGS:
16.00-20.00, Saturday 17th August
9.00-12.00, Sunday 18th August
16.30-19.00, Friday 23rd August
16.30-19.00, Saturday 24th
CITY HALL, 100 Ave. Mont-Royal
14.00-17.00, Sunday 18th August
19.00-22.00, Wednesday 21st August
(Adjournment of officers)
14.00-16.00, Saturday 24th
Agenda of the council
First session
1) Convening by the President, with Executive Committee’s recommendations
2) Agenda
3) Secretariat’s report
4) Executive officers’ recommendations
5) Election of Nominating Committee
Second session
1) Report from the Nominating Committee
2) Election of officers
Third session
1) Discussion of future activities
2) Site and timing of IX World Congress
3) Changes in the Statutes
4) Action on Executive Committee’s recommendations

RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETINGS:
14.00-17.00, Saturday 17th August
13.00-15.00, Wednesday 21st August
First meeting
1. Chairman’s report on activities of the Research Council and Research Co-ordinating Committee.
2. Proposal by Adam Podgorecki for the creation of international panels of expert advisers in various fields of applied sociology.
3. Reports with the proposed international programme to receive special status «International Guest» and «Sponsored Guest» for the ISA Research Committees.
4. The possible areas and forms of cooperation between Research Committees; for example, in studies of environmental problems.
5. The establishment of international centres of research, to facilitate long term research projects and the exchange of research workers.
6. Contributions by the Research Committees to the UNESCO Programme, and to the work of the International Social Science Council.
Second meeting, August 21st
1. Continuation of discussion from the first meeting (if necessary).
2. The financial of international, including regional, research.
3. Discussion of a report by Chad Alger and George Lyons on «transnational social science».
4. Elections.
5. Any other business matters.

MEETING OF COLLECTIVE MEMBERS:
(Cal. B. C. & E.)
20.30, Thursday 22nd August

CHILDREN DAY CARE
INFORMATION: Daycare will be available during the hours of official sessions. These sessions begin on Monday August 19th and end at 11.30 p.m. on Saturday August 24th. Service will be provided for both pre-school and school-age children. A nominal charge of $2 per day per child will be made, and this money is payable in full on the first day of service. Details of location and hours of opening will be available at Congress information desks in Toronto.

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AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
The Theoretical Section of the American Sociological Association cordially invites foreign sociologists to attend its all-day program to be held in Montreal on August 26th, 1974. The morning plenary session will take place from 10:30 - 12:30 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel on the theme: «The Teaching of Sociological Theory in the United States, Canada, and Overseas». The afternoon program will take place starting at 2:30 p.m. in the building of the Faculty of the Social Sciences, University of Montreal, 3515 rue Jean Brilliant. Workshop/seminar sessions will be devoted to the following themes: (1) «Quantity and Quality in Sociological Theory», (2) «New Perspectives in Parsonian Theory», (3) «Structuralism and Sociological Theory», (4) «Developments in Marxist Theory in Europe», (5) «Modernity and Sociological Theory», and (6) «Theoretical Knowledge and Social Policy».

From Toronto to Montreal: ASA to Welcome World Congress Participants
The American Sociological Association is holding its 69th Annual Meeting in Montreal from August 25-29 immediately following the VIII World Congress in Toronto. On behalf of the ASA, President Peter M. Blau invites all sociologists from the Congress to come to Montreal for the ASA meeting. Persons who are not citizens or residents of the United States or Canada will be accorded the special status «International Guest» and will be registered for the ASA meetings without charge. The theme of the 1974 ASA meetings is «Focus on Social Structure». This theme will receive special attention in five plenary sessions and by ten thematic panels. The entire program will consist of 140 sessions in which more than 1,000 persons will make presentations. Except for a series of ten didactic seminars that require pre-registration and the payment of a fee, all sessions are open for any registrants at the meeting. Registration for the meeting and for hotel accommodation may take place when persons come to the meeting site in Montreal, the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. Information about hotels may be secured from the ASA. Among the events that will be the following plenary sessions:

Plenary I: Approaches to the Study of Social Structure
(Tuesday, August 27, 4:30 p.m.)
Presider: Everett C. Hughes, Boston College
«Structure and History», Thomas Bottomore, University of Sussex, England
«Structure and Change», Seymour Martin Lipset, Harvard
«Structure, Conflict», Lewis A. Coser, State University of New York, Stony Brook

Plenary II: Presidential Address (Monday, August 26, 8:30 p.m.)
President: Matilda White Riley, Bowdoin College
Parameters of Social Structure», Peter M. Blau, Columbia University

Plenary III: Approaches to the Study of Social Structure
(Tuesday, August 27, 4:30 p.m.)
Presider: Mirra Komarovsky, Columbia University
Naturally Organized Ordinary Activities», Harold Garfinkel, University of California, Los Angeles
Social Structure in Evolutionary Perspective», Gerhard Lenski, University of North Carolina
Discussion: Robert Bierstedt, University of Virginia

Plenary IV: Approaches to the Study of Social Structure
(Tuesday, August 27, 8:30 p.m.)
Presider: Rose L. Coser, State University of New York, Stony Brook
What Do We Mean by Social Structure?», George C. Homans, Harvard University
Structural Analysis in Sociology: A Perspective from the Sociology of Science», Robert K. Merton, Columbia University
Discussion: William J. Goode, Columbia University

Plenary V: Approaches to the Study of Social Structure
(Wednesday, August 28, 8:30 p.m.)
Presider: S. N. Eisenstadt, Hebrew University, Israel
Social Structure and the Generalized Media of Interaction», Talcott Parsons, Harvard University
Social Structure and a Theory of Purposive Action*, James S. Coleman, University of Chicago
Discussion: Walter L. Wallace, Princeton University

In addition to the plenary sessions, many other elements in the five-day program will be of great interest to sociologists from around the world. To illustrate, the program will open with a social event and close with a scholarly event that may attract special attention from international guests. Following the first Plenary Session on Sunday evening, there will be an open reception to honor the international guests from the ISA, and the last session on the program, Thursday at 4:30 p.m., will be a panel discussion on «Occupation Structure in the Soviet Union and the United States». Thus, form the beginning to the end of the 69th ASA meeting, there will be items to all ISA members and international colleagues whom the ASA will welcome to Montreal.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE COUNCIL
ISSC is currently preparing its Yearbook 1974 giving social science information on the history, memberships and activities of the Council and of its eleven Member Associations:
- International Association of Legal Sciences
- International Economic Association
- International Law Association
- International Peace Research Association
- International Political Science Association
- International Sociological Association
- International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences
- International Union of Psychological Science
- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population
- World Association for Public Opinion Research
- World Federation for Mental Health
The Yearbook is scheduled to appear on 1st November 1974 and would then be obtainable free of cost from ISSC Secretariat, Unesco - 1 rue Miollis, Paris 15e.

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