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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Friends,
Gothenburg 2010, here we go!!

This NEWSLETTER is mostly dedicated to the RC23 Programme for the XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology to be held in Gothenburg Sweden, 11-17 July, 2010. Our main theme is **Science and Technology on the Move**. We stated in the Introduction to our Programme that in a world that is in perpetual flux, Sociology of Science and Technology (and Innovation) changes along with new ways of doing science, with the purposes for developing technology, and with the organization of innovation. Thus, we propose a central and important agenda for this event: *to better understand transformations in the social and cultural spaces of science, technology and innovation.*

Countries that traditionally have been behind in producing science are now at the forefront. New inter-disciplines and trans-disciplines are consolidating in their own right. New opportunities are emerging for scientific development in Third World countries. New means for information exchanges are opening up unexpected possibilities for cooperation and collaboration among countries that “have” and those that “have not”. This is happening among established scientists and among scientists and other social actors in a myriad of ‘new fora’ outside of the traditional channels of academic exchange. New “invisible colleges” that connect scientists both North-South and South-South have arisen. Information and communication technologies offer new modes of knowledge generation, apparently reducing the gap between countries and societies. These and many other topics will be examined in our sessions on Science and Technology on the Move.

We made a special effort to organize joint sessions with other RC's, having succeeded in joining forces with as many as ten! These RC's are convinced along with us of the inter/trans-disciplinary nature of sociological science. These are:

- RC02: Economy and Society.
- RC04: Sociology of Education.
- RC07: Futures Research.
- RC09: Social Transformations and Sociology of Development.
- RC13: Sociology of Leisure.
- RC14: Sociology of Communication, Knowledge and Culture.
- RC21: Regional and Urban Development.
- RC32: Women in Society.
- RC47: Social Classes and Social Movements.
- RC48: Social Movements, Collective Action and Social Change.

Our Programme includes 18 sessions hosted by us plus four sessions hosted by other RC's, and participation in the Integrative Session IS01: Social Change and the

Mitigation of Climate Change: Future Scenarios, where Czarina Saloma is representing RC23. My expectation is that we will have a very attractive, enriching and exciting level of participation at the XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology.

Farewell

My term as RC23 President ends with the realization of the XVII Congress. I thank all of you who have supported and encouraged my activities during this period. I particularly express my gratitude to Czarina Saloma for her great work conducted as Secretary of the Committee and her dedication to the webpage and attention to new membership. With the participation of many of you in RC23, we have increased membership from 76 in 2002 to 128 in 2010. The number of countries represented grew from 20 to 40, many of them from the Third World, thus accomplishing one of our major objectives: to become a means for the development of other countries' science. These figures show a considerable increase of maturity in our academic community. I wish the best to the new Board and encourage everyone to take a more active role in the strengthening of our 'invisible' and 'visible' (at events such as the ISA World Congress) academic network.

Sincerely,

Jaime Jiménez
RC23 President

XVII World Congress of Sociology RC23 Sessions

Session 1

Science, Technology and Innovation on the Move: The Changing Trends in Global Society. Session on the Congress theme. A

Monday 12 July, 15:30 - 17:30, Svenska Mässan G3

Chair

Hebe Vessuri
Instituto Venezolano de Investigación Científica
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Session Details:

New Technologies on the Move: A Focus on Nanotechnology in India

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Current Practic and Perceived Risks Related to Health, Safety and Environmental Stewardship in Nanomateria Industries

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B. Baumgartner

A. Fish

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Will Nanotechnology be the Vapour Machine of the Sixth Kondratieff Wave?

Rui Vieira Cruz

University of Minho
Portugal

The Social Inequalities in the Information and Knowledge Society. The Digital Divide in Spain

Cristóbal Torres Albero

José Manuel Robles Morales

Carlos Fernández Rodríguez

Oscar Molina Molina

Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
Spain

Globalized Work on the Move – How to Recombine Technological and Organizational Systems?

Bettina - Johanna Krings

Linda Nierling

ITAS (Institute of Technology Assessment and Systems Analysis). Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)

Germany

Unintended Consequences of use: Energy-Sustainable Innovation and the Hybrid Electric Vehicle

Ritsuko Ozaki

Isabel Shaw

Imperial College Business School, Imperial College

United Kingdom

University Research Institutes: New missions in Ancient structures

Laura Cruz-Castro

Luis Sanz-Menéndez

CSIC Institute of Public Goods and Policies

Spain

Session 2

Science, Technology and Innovation on the Move: The Changing Trends in Global Society. Session on the Congress theme. B

Monday 12 July, 17:45 - 19:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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Venezuela

Session details:

Moving Topographies – The Social Constitution of Highly Mobile Lifestyles in Practice and Theory

Marcel Endres

Darmstadt University of Technology

Germany

Environmental Justice: Personal Responsibility and Game Theory

Siddharth Sareen

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras

India

Reflexive Modernization in Action: The Institutional Pathway of Parliamentary Technology Assessment

Pierre Delvenne

Aspirant FNRS, SPIRAL, Université de Liège
Belgium

Alternative Ways of Learning and Research Conducive to Development

Jaime Jiménez

Juan C. Escalante

Carlos Rodríguez

Gregory Sandstrom

Instituto de Investigaciones en Matemáticas Aplicadas y en Sistemas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)
Mexico

Strategic Responses to Hype and Disappointment in Stationary Fuel Cell Innovation

Kornelia Konrad

University of Twente, Department of Science, Technology and Policy Studies,
Netherlands

Jochen Markard

Annette Ruef

Bernhard Truffer

Cirus – Innovation Research in Utility Sectors
Netherlands

Science, Human Health and the Oppression of Nonhuman Animals: Morality and the Development of Transgenic Nonhuman Animals

Kay Peggs

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Globalized Work on the Move – How to Recombine Technological and Organizational Systems?

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Session 3

Ciencia y Tecnología para el Desarrollo del Tercer Mundo. Science and Technology for the Development of the Third World (Spanish Language Session)

Monday 12 July, 20:00 - 22:00, Svenska Mässan G3

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Judith Zubieta
IIS, UNAM
Mexico

Session details:

Local Learning and Development in the Biosphere Reserve Management. The Sierra Gorda Case, Querétaro, México, Ciencia, Conocimiento Local y Desarrollo en la Gestión de la Reserva de la Biosfera. El Caso de Sierra Gorda, Querétaro, México

Mesa Aníbal

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Spain

Nieves Quintero

Yurena González

Universidad de La Laguna

Spain

Innovation and Nanotechnologies in Latin America, Innovación y Nanotecnologías en América Latina

Guillermo Foladori

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Mexico

Nanotechnology in Brazil: the Emerging Nanotechnologies and the Social Inclusion, Nanotecnología en Brasil: las Tecnologías Emergentes y la Inclusión Social

Noela Invernizzi

Universidad Federal de Paraná, Curitiba

Brazil

The Scientific-Technological Gap (Technoscientific) and its Future Permanence, La Brecha Científico-Tecnológica (Tecnocientífica) y su Permanencia Futura

Jesús A. Valero Matas

Juan Romay Coca

Departamento de Sociología. Universidad de Valladolid

Spain

Poverty and Social Inclusion in a New Model Based on Science and Technology in Latin America and the Caribbean , Pobreza e Inclusión Social en un Nuevo Modelo Basado en Ciencia y Tecnología en América Latina y el Caribe

Rafael Palacios

Fundación Instituto de Estudios Avanzados (IDEA)

Venezuela

Pure vs. Applied Research in Developing Countries: Do Higher Education Institutions and Research Centres Have a Choice?, Inv Pura vs. Aplicada en los Países en Desarrollo: ¿Tienen Alternativas las Inst de Ed Sup y los Inst de Investigación?

Luísa Oliveira y Oliveira

Dept of Sociology, Lisbon University Institute, ISCTE

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Helena Carvalho

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Portugal

Dominant Scientific Production in Sociology: Articles, Actors and Themes within High Impact Journals (1999-2009), Producción Científica Dominante en Sociología: Artículos, Actores y Temas en las Revistas de Alto Impacto (1999-2009)

Tatiana Maranhao

University of Brasília

Brazil

The User's Role in the Innovation Process in the Developing Countries, El Rol del Usuario en el Proceso de Innovación en los Países en Vías de Desarrollo

Cristian Monsalvez

Universidad Técnica de Berlín

Germany

Miths and Science Development in Brazil: the Scientific Travel Literature, Mitos y Desarrollo de la Ciencia en Brasil: la Literatura de Viaje Científica

Marcelo Fetz

Fabício Defacci

Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP)

Brazil

Session 4

Liberalizing Research in Science and Technology: Institutional and Policy Aspects, A

Tuesday 13 July, 10:45 - 12:45, Svenska Mässan G3

Chair

Binay K. Pattnaik
Indian Institute of Technology
India

Session details:

International Mobility as a Mechanism for Reproducing the Scientific Elite

Nadia Asheulova

Valentina Lomovitskaya

St. Petersburg Branch of the Institute for the History of Science and Technology, the Russian Academy of Sciences
Russian Federation

Assessment of State Foundations' Influence On the Advancement of Science In Russia Between 1992 And 2008

Elena Ivanova

Sociological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences
Russian Federation

Politics and Poetics of Scientific Imagination in Pos-Colonial Contexts– Sociologizing Brazilian intellectual histories

Cláudio Costa Pinheiro

School of Social Sciences, Getúlio Vargas Foundation
Brazil

Research in Science and Technology in the Era of Liberalization in India: Institutional and Policy Issues

Sambit Mallick

Liza Das

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India

Connection of "Methodological Liberalism" in Science with Liberal Moods in Society

Yurevich Andrey V.

Institute of psychology of Russian academy of sciences
Russian Federation

Impact of Globalization and Information Technology on Teaching Profession in Higher Education

Duru Arun Kumar

NSIT, Dwarka
India

Scientific and Educational Personnel Preparation in Modern Russia

Tatyana Tikhomirova

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The Relationship Among Academician, Student and University in Modern Society in a Context of Liberalization of S&T

Abulfaz D Suleymanov

Institute of Philosophy, Sociology and Law Researches, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences

Azerbaijan

Liberalization and Globalization Processes in Post-Soviet Russian Science Development of the International Scientific Collaboration

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Russian Federation

Session 5

RC23/RC02 Science, Technology and Innovation in Cities and Regions

Tuesday 13 July, 15:30 - 17:30, Svenska Mässan G3

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Session details:

Internet and the City: The Three Dimensions of Government Intervention in Virtual/Urban Space

Esteve Sanz

Yale University

United States

Beyond Creativity: Entrepreneurship and Every-Day Life in Milan

Carla Sadini

University of Milano-Bicocca

Italy

Knowledge at the Wheel – Innovation and Regional Integration in East Asia

Dennis McNamara

Georgetown University
United States

Transnational Linkages and Industrial Clusters in East Asia: China's Zongguancun, Taiwan's Hsinchu and Korea's Daedock's Science

Jenn-hwan Wang

National Chengchi University
Taiwan

Science Rewards Systems in Spain. Do the Regions Mark Any Difference?

Celia Díaz Catalán

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Strengthening the Assistive Technology Sector in San Sebastián (Spain) to Foster Citizens' Quality of Life & Improve the City's

Gerardo Zamora

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Spain

Session 6

RC23/RC21 Local Manifestations of Global Surveillance

Tuesday 13 July, 17:45 - 19:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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Murli M. Sinha (RC21)
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United States

Session details:

In the Names of European Capital of Culture and Social Responsibility: State and Employer's Union Cooperation for Province Information

Alanur Cavlin Bozbeyoglu

Queen's University
Canada

Policies on Gender and Identification Systems in Mexico: The Case of the National Databank of Violence Against Women

Jimena Valdés Figueroa

Comisión Nacional Para Prevenir y Erradicar la Violencia contra las Mujeres Secretaría de Gobernación
Mexico

Surveillance and the Exercise of Legitimate Violence in the French Police: The Hypothesis of a “Re Weberianisation” of police administration

Anaïk Purenne

University of Lyon
France

Right of Admission Reserved. An Exploration of the Symbolic and Practical Interrelatedness between Non-State Actors of Surveillance

Thomas Sogaard Jensen

University of Aarhus
Denmark

Practice and Global Data: Loyalty Cards as Material Cultural and Cultural Practice

Nils Zurawski

Universität Hamburg
Germany

Mapping Concerns with Homeland Security Fusion Centers

Torin Monahan

Vanderbilt University
United States

Session 7

Academic Response to Changing Science and Technology in Developing Economies

Wednesday 14 July, 10:45 - 12:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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S. L. Hiremath
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Session details:

Science and Society: Consensuses, Controversies and New Institutionalities

Alice Abreu

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Brazil

Art of Development – Problems and Challenges for Research and Education

Lech W. Zacher

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Recent Changes in the Scientific Knowledge Production and Dissemination Regime in Brazil

Maria Caramez Carlotto

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Roads to Knowledge Society and Innovations?

Osmo Kivinen

Paivi Kaipainen

Juha Hedman

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Brand IIT and the Evolution of India's Technocratic Elite

Vibha Arora

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Globalization and Emerging Challenges in Engineering Education in India with Respect to Industry Demands

Duru Arun Kumar

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India

Specific Features of Public Attitudes toward S&T at Russia and Eastern Europe

Olga Shuvalova

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Science, Technology, Education and Indian Leather Society-Role of Central Leather Research Institute

Giriyappa Kollannavar

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Research Institute, Adyar, Chennai-600020
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Science and Technology on the Move

Seyed Reza Mirnezami

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United Kingdom

Promoting E-Research through the Alliance between Science and the Social Science: The Case of the Virtual Center for High Energies

Elias Said Hung

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Colombia

University Industry Interactions for Technology Inputs

S.L. Hiremath

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India

Session 8

Business Meeting. Traditional dinner late in the evening

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Czarina Saloma
Ateneo de Manila University
Phillipines

Session details:

Busines meeting

Session 9

RC23/RC14 Surveillance and Popular Culture

Wednesday 14 July, 17:45 - 19:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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United States

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PUCRS
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Session details:

Face Recognition Systems: From Security to Convenience

Ariane Ellerbrok
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Canada

H1N1 Influenza Surveillance Systems in Mexico: An Approach from Biopolitical and Cultural Studies

Roberto Fuentes Rionda
Nelson Arteaga Botello
Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México
Mexico

Television and the (Re) Production of Surveillance

André Mondoux
Quebec University
Canada

UK News Media Representations of Surveillance

David Barnard-Wil
Cranfield University
United Kingdom

Assemblages, Data Doubles and Deleuze's Dividual: Cinematic Representations of the 'Control' Body

Lorna Elizabeth Muir
University of Aberdeen
United Kingdom

Towards a Cellphone Cinematography

Milena Szafir
University of São Paulo
Brazil

Session 10

RC23/RC09 Climate Change, Governance and the Sustainability of Cities

Wednesday 14 July, 20:00 - 22:00, Svenska Mässan G3

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Philippines

Session details:

Urban Sprawl, Socio-Environmental Vulnerability and Climate Change: Urbanization Dynamics in Metropolitan São Paulo

Alves Humberto
Campinas/SP
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Water Shortage in Ankara, Turkey and Disaster Management Policy

Aytül Kasapoglu
Zuhal Yonca Odabas
Department of Sociology, Ankara University
Turkey

Urban Sustainability: A Case Study of Guanamara Bay, Brazil

Carmen Silvia Machado
Tania Maciel
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Brazil

Vulnerability, Adaptation and Resilience to Flood and Climate Change-Risks Among Marginal Riverine Communities in Metro Manila

Emma Porio
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Philippines

The Governance of Disasters in Two Indonesian Cities

Achwan Rochman
Department of Sociology, University of Indonesia
Indonesia

Social Sustainability in Relation to Urban Forms: An Analysis of Metropolitan Barcelona

Gemma Vila
Jordi Gavalda
Department of Sociological Theory, Philosophy of Law and Methodology for Social Sciences, University of Barcelona
Spain

**Energy, Society and Innovation: Alternative Energy and Energy Transition,
Société, Énergie et Innovation: les Énergies Alternatives et la Transition
Énergétique**

Leandro Raizer

Antonio David Cattani

PPG en Sociologie, Université Fédérale du Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre

Brazil

Arnaud Sales

Département Sociologie, Université de Montréal

Canada

Session 11

RC23/RC04 Changing Forms of University-Society Relationship, A

Thursday 15 July, 10:45 - 12:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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Department of Sociology, University of Helsinki

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Raj P. Mohan (RC04)

Auburn University

United States

Session details:

**Changing Social Contract between Science and Society: Exploring the Case of
Biotechnology in India**

Renny Thomas

Jawaharlal Nehru University

India

**Encountering Transdisciplinarity as Knowledge Regime: On the Possibilities
and Limits of Socialising Early Stage Researchers**

Andrea Schikowitz

Ulrike Felt

Judith Igelsböck

Thomas Völker

University of Vienna

Austria,

**Researchers' Views on Knowledge Transfer to Firms: Grounds for University-
Industry Cooperation**

Irene Ramos-Vielba

Manuel Fernández-Esquinas

Nuria Hernández-Hernández

Spanish National Research Council

Spain

Boundaries and Strategies of Firms to Collaborate with Universities in a Regional Innovation System

Carmen Merchán-Hernández
Spanish National Research Council
Spain

Different Career Paths of Doctorate Holders of Various Disciplines

Hannelore De Grande
Ghent University
Belgium

Different Disciplines, Different Impact: Disciplinary Structures in Times of Mode 2

Kristoffer Kropp
University of Copenhagen
Denmark

Session 12

RC23/RC47/RC48 Round table: Towards a Dialogue between Scientists, Civic Groups and Social Movements. A - Nanotechnology, Assisted Reproduction and the Era of Uncertainty: Challenges for the Public and Researchers

Thursday 15 July, 15:30 - 17:30, Svenska Mässan G3

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Session details:

Nanotechnology and the Role of Researcher: Consciousness or Alienation?

Tânia Elias Magno Da Silva
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Brazil

Emerging Economies/Emerging Technologies: Prospects for Equitable Development

Richard Appelbaum

Rachel Parker

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Human Rights and Nanotechnologies: Limits and Possibilities between Technological Innovation and Rights of the Human

Wilson Engelmann

UNISINOS (São Leopoldo/RS/Brazil)
Brazil

Socio-Technical Controversies on Assisted Reproduction and the Public Debate: Opportunities and Limits

Catarina Delaunay

CESNOVA – Centro de Estudos de Sociologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa
Portugal

The Era of Uncertainty

Henrique Rattner

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Brazil

Understanding People's Science Movement in India: From the Vantage of Social Movement Perspective

Binay Kumar Pattnaik

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India

Nanotechnology and Environment Sustainability: A New Solution or a New Nightmare?

Paulo Roberto Martins

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Brazil

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Brazil

Session 13

RC23/RC47/RC48 Round table: Towards a Dialogue between Scientists, Civic Groups and Social Movements. B - Science, Public Engagements and Social Movements

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Spain

Session details:

Theories and Methods in Transdisciplinary Research: Foundations for Dialogue Bet. Scientists, Civic Groups and Social Movements

Bernhard Freyer

Sebastian Helgenberger

BOKU U. of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences
Austria

Jim Bingen

Michigan State University, East Lansing, CARRS
United States

Disregarded Knowledges or Forms of Knowledge Delegitimized. The Case of Two Biosphere Reserves

José Luis Castilla Vallejo

Aníbal Mesa López

Nieves Quintero Quintero

Department of Sociology, University of La Laguna, Canary Islands
Spain

Social Action and Scientific Knowledge in Environmental Conflicts

Mercedes Martinez-Iglesias

Sociology and Social Anthropology, University of Valencia. Valencia
Spain

When Scientists Manage a Public Health Program: Conflicts of Expertise Concerning a French Nutrition Health Program

Philippe Terral

Fabien Merlaud

Lab. Sports, Organizations Identities - SOI, Université Toulouse III
France

Motivations for the Access and Use of the Information and the Knowledge in Andalusia

José Manuel Rodríguez Victoriano

Departamento de Sociología y Antropología Social. Universidad de Valencia
Spain

Enrique Wulff Barreiro

Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas
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Nanotechnology and Environment: Topics for the Reflection for a New Possible World

Paulo Roberto Martins

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Adriano Premebida

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Brazil

Session 14

Global Structures, Scientific Cultures

Thursday 15 July, 20:00 - 22:00, Svenska Mässan G3

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Richard Wooley
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Session details:

Training Trajectories of Young Scientists: Institutional and Disciplinary Configurations of PhD Programs in Mexico

Rollin Kent

Idolina Velázquez

Alma Carrasco

Autonomous University of Puebla
Mexico

Mobility, Publication Behaviour and Career Development of Argentinean Life Scientists

Koen Jonkers

CSIC Institute of Public Goods and Policies, Madrid
Spain

'Risky Business' - How Toxicologists Negotiate the Potential Danger of Nanoparticles

Mikael Johansson

University of California at Santa Barbara
United States

Online Visibility, Local Practices, and Access to Global Knowledge

Ralph Schroeder

Mark Graham

Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford
United Kingdom

Nikkei Nodes in East Asian NICs – Harnessing Local Knowledge to Host Country Networks

Dennis McNamara

Georgetown University, Washington DC
United States

Institutionalising Cross-Sector Collaboration: Comparing National and Regional Strategies in Spain and Australia

Irene Ramos Vielba

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Richard Woolley

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The Role of National Innovation Culture in the Globalized World

Jasminka Laznjak

University of Zagreb
Croatia

Jadranka Svarc

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Croatia

The Russian Mathematical Community: 20 Years of Changes

Natalia Demina

Scientific observer, 'Polit.ru'
Russian Federation

Session 15

RC23/RC07 The Role of Policy and the Internet in the Future Development of Science in Depressed Regions and Countries

Friday 16 July, 10:45 - 12:45, Svenska Mässan G3

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University KwaZulu-Natal
South Africa

Session details:

Learning and Teaching with ICT in Latin America: Potential Benefits

Sebastián Möller

Guillermo Sunkel

Daniela Trucco

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Chile)
Chile

Children with Disabilities in Bangladesh: Information Technology Based Integrative Programs

Mahjabeen Khaled Hossain

Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW)
Bangladesh

Increasing Impacts of Modern Communication Technologies on Younger People in Tehran

Fereshteh Yekani

Ministry of Mines & Industries
Islamic Republic of Iran

The Internationalization of South African Medical Science, 1975-2005

Radhamany Sooryamoorthy

University of KwaZulu-Natal
South Africa

IKS: Poverty Alleviation and Sustainability of Community-Based Programmes and Projects– A Case Study of Inanda (Durban)

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MULTIPLE TRAJECTORY EVOLUTION OF INFORMATION SOCIETIES

(Some Prospective Remarks and Reflections)

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Industrial technology and organization (e.g. machines, electricity, factory, mass production, Fordism) created rather universal patterns which are well-channeled and quite predictable. This technology assumes a constant flow of innovation from the Research and Development (R&D) sector to the industrial sector (which has increasingly organized its own labs). Industrial technology generated the *industrial society* in advanced regions of the world. Patterns of progress were quite clear: industrialization, modernization, and imitation. *Similarities* (philosophically interpreted as universalities) were evident and desirable. Industrial technology is the sign of a modern era, modern societies, and modern world. Such an interpretation of development is based on the *idea of progress* (as something inevitable, good, and deterministic) and theories of modernization (which means the quantitative and qualitative multiplication of mainly technological innovations, their wide diffusion and their mass impacts). Civilizational leaders (regions, countries, innovators, entrepreneurs, users) established patterns to be *imitated* by others who were not leading, who could only imitate. The results of imitators depended on their *cultural ability* to understand, perceive, apply, and use (in mass) new technologies as well as old technologies in the case of less developed countries). Therefore, incompatibilities, inefficiencies, and gaps emerged. Market mechanisms and international exchanges (technology transfer, trade of commodities, adoption of technical objects and skills by migrants, and so on) – it was believed and expected - should level existing differences and lead to *one future*. Some futurists, like H. Kahn in the 1970s, were quite optimistic about other countries catching up with the American model of development.

Deep beliefs in technology and its positive role were supported by convictions such as *technological determinism*, *technological imperative*, *technological fix*, and *technological optimism*. All detrimental effects were treated as necessary costs (on the altar of progress) and as something which could be managed somehow.

Single trajectory development based on technology was considered as optimal for all, and the world's *technological order* was established (and controlled) by a few. The model and vision of *technological society* was a kind of abstract construct or, in other words, the ideal type.

After the Era of Industrialism (or industrial technology dominance), the Era of Information appeared. Of course, what is often underestimated – the former segments of

economies and societies (like agriculture, traditional industries, old skills) – did not disappear. Processes of industrialization, urbanization, and motorization are still important, to a different extent, around the world. However, the *proportions* of these old and new emerging segments were changing, as were their importance, influence, and impacts. A new technological *substratum* came into existence, and moreover was connected with something as immaterial as information. Therefore, new info-technologies started their development, diffusion, and all-sphere applications. Their impacts in the traditional segments of the economy and society were immense as well. As a result, those impacts produced a new form of transforming society – an *information society*. This picture is somewhat oversimplified. It should be added that the new technologies – called ICTs – were based even more on science and research; however, other sets of disciplines become more important, such as physics, electronics, informatics, and computer science). The reflections of this *de facto* revolution – theoretically founded by J. D. Bernal in 1939, then developed by R. Richta and others in the 1960s and 1970s – were expressed in the suggested new labels (or rather etiquettes) marking the new societies: *computer society*, *telematic society*, *cyber society*, *information society*, *network society*, *virtual society*, *digital society*. Their characteristics were fundamentally different than in the case of the industrial societies. Sociology as a discipline emerged as the sociology of industrial societies, while present-day sociology is the sociology of information societies. The differences between these two kinds of societies are multi-dimensional.

The question is whether the new societies dominated by the production of ICT and their overwhelming applications and mass use will develop according to one universal pattern. It seems, for many reasons, that the *info-future* of societies can be very diversified, so it is better to use the plural form: info-futures (a few decades ago futurists begun to use “future” in plural to underline alternatives, options, and varieties of societal trajectories). New ICTs generate changes and diversities. Present ICTs created a new social space – *cyberspace* – which is not yet conquered and which will be arranged in a non-traditional way (mostly by younger generations), giving a way to almost unrestricted *network individualism*. Moreover, the Internet is a techno-social object (web) which cannot be fully controlled, and its expansion as a quite decentralized entity with open intelligence and an open system cannot be predicted (it is like a self-organizing cancer that continues to grow). This is a rather multitrajectory-oriented and quite indeterministic situation. Networked individuals and groups, rather than large structures like states, governments, or big companies, are trying to be more empowered, so unpredictable and individually profiled behaviors rather than structured policies will be of growing importance. Individuals use technical objects and devices (like computers or mobile phones) *individually*, but they are *networked* with other individuals. The Internet is borderless and multicultural, allowing for multi-identities and a constant change in relations, contacts, and points of reference; information and communication have become global and immediate (*online*). In the not distant future, VR technology will allow for the creation of *own worlds*. It seems that diversity is characteristic of the *e-society* (“e” accents its technological substratum – electronics). E-society can be treated as a *general techno-organizational framework* of societies under change and with increasing individualization and disintegration of the former bonds, relations, and networks.

Technologically pioneering countries are transforming themselves and their societies by creating the *first generation* information society (IS). Second generation IS will emerge

when new generations reach adulthood and are in power (political, economic, psychological, social, and so on). This generation will be based on so-called “digital natives” (born and raised in a digital setting – see G. Small 2008). The more digital natives there are, the more chances there are for further advances, so the differences among potentials of various countries will have a *demographic dimension*. This is a challenge for technical world leaders who have problems with the growing aging of societies (migration may help but it will cause some “alien” diversities).

The *technological embryos* of the information type of society were produced by science and technology as a universal chance and developmental occasion to capitalize on. Of course, there are pioneers, imitators, and lagging countries, as well as late-comers and those which have been excluded (we talk about the digital divide, which is not only technical but also organizational, educational, cultural, and so on). Basically, “digital” refers to technology. The question is whether it is possible to imagine and implement *alternative e-societies* and *info-futures* (see Zacher 2007). Some arguments for and against have been proposed, as discussed above.

To sum up: there are *differentiated potentials* (scientific, technological, educational, industrial), *various contexts* (domestic, international, global), and *diverse cultural abilities* in regards to informational change. All can make the future follow *multiple trajectories* in spite of some similarities and universalities (often superficial and expressed by the mass media). Gaps as well as *choices* and *external impacts* will be responsible for diversity, and it seems that diversity will outweigh universality. This can be treated as a sign of the new *postmodern era*. The modern era’s features can be compared with the postmodern as shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Comparison of Characteristics – Modern vs. Postmodern Era

| Modern era | Postmodern era |
|---|---|
| Growing speed of everything (faster, tyranny of time) | More dense world (nets of cables, networks, automobile and planes transport, cities, nanotechnology) |
| Rationality (general techno-economic) | Multi-criteria choices (many stakeholders, more information available) |
| Common goals and visions (more collectivity) | Individualism (multi-identity, transnational, individual centered) |
| Controllability (firm structures, state role) | Complex systems (unpredictable behavior) |
| Strategies (linear) (national, governmental, big business) | Global technological capitalism & turbocapitalism as framework (chaotics, changeability, unexpected emergencies, flexibility) |
| Traditional values and attitudes (historical heritage, tradition, strong social bonds) | Risk societies (openness uncertainty, cosmopolitanism, fear) |
| Hierarchical power based on firm structures (techno-structure, technocracy) | Networks of power and influence (e-government, e-governance, e-democracy, netocracy) |
| Internationalization and neoliberal (corporate) globalization (free competition, exclusion) | Globalizations (post-liberal, inclusive, imposed by alter-globalist movements, int’l organization and control) |
| Hegemonic world order or bi-polar (structured order, leadership, control) | Pole-less world order (post-hegemonic world, new emerging powers, anarchistic world system conflict and clashes) |
| Technology as universalization (standardization, common patterns) | Technology as source of diversity (multiple options and trajectories, different patterns) |

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|---|---|
| Single-trajectory future (technological determinism, hegemony of pioneers, limited imagination, attempt to control) | Many info-futures (multi-trajectory evolution, digital natives as diversity, agents, changing contexts, uncertainties and flexible answers) |
| Economy (industrial economy, traditional structures and skills, overwhelming commercialization) | E-economy (new economy, digital economy, post-material) |
| Wars (based on arms and soldiers, conquests, world wars, mass destruction weapons) | Info-wars and terrorism (intelligent munitions automatic battlefield, logistic bomb, cyber-crimes, cyber-terrorism, local conflicts) |
| Cultural affairs (mass culture vs. elitist culture, traditional carriers, traditional values, nationalism, clash of cultures and religions) | Culture-networked and global (free culture idea, cultural populism in the Net, web2.0, cross-culturalism, global events and messages) |

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There are some paradoxes connected with civilization and political transformations and reconfigurations. Let us name just a few. As for the context of development, it should be noted that industrial technology and society emerged on the basis of *agricultural* technology and society. The information society (sometimes considered as the first stage of a knowledge society) developed from the *industrial* society (with differentiated scales of agricultural-type remnants in various countries). However, in some significant cases the *linear pattern* of civilizational and economic development was broken (developmental bifurcation). New emerging powers – China and India predominantly - have made the world *multipolar*, from the point of view of the economy, industrial production, and some advanced technologies (nuclear armaments, missiles, space exploration equipment, computers, and software). Moreover, their societies – in spite of evident backwardness and poverty – have become increasingly better equipped with technological goods (e.g. in China the number of internauts is bigger than in the U.S.). Both countries have science and technology centers or parks on the world level (e.g. in Beijing or Bangalore). Technicalities look similar but both countries differ from each other and follow the *non-Western* type of culture (the same case was earlier with Japan). What will their info-future be? Perhaps they will be the *e-enclave* type? Will they have an encouraging developmental model for others to follow? If so, to what extent? The Western historical and present patterns can be overcome or partially adapted or modified and sold in the world market of ideas, ideologies, and politics. *Global diversity* may increase even more, so the *civilization of diversity* may flourish in spite of similarities of technology, in spite of globalization and the efforts of former leaders and powers. They will not disappear; however, their meaning and impacts assume other proportions. Let us hope that this competition will not be a kind of armed clash of civilizations. In such conflicts, the role of ICTs will certainly be vital.

A change in leadership or at least in proportions among competitors will probably occur in the global economy, and in particular within the world of big corporations (both domestic and transnational). Non-Western large companies will find their place in the world market, and their aspirations, values, methods, and corporate cultures can be different than Western and increasingly influential internationally (in the places of their expansion, with reference to their multi-national staff – managerial, technical, and so on).

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Apart from the existing diversities of countries and societies there will be some forces and

factors enabling even more diversification (the term *civilization of diversity* seems to match well with this situation). These forces and factors were rather underestimated in the stabilized and uniformized – by the absolute hegemons – world. Presently, it is more and more evident that things such as nation-state institutions and their conditions, roles, and performance count; the same refers, for example, to the scale and structure of migration (brain drain is a problem, also exclusion of immigrants). The role of ethnicity and language (even on the Internet) should not be overlooked. Traditions, customs, prejudices, religions (some are increasingly politicized and offensive), corrupted power, bureaucracy, and institutional disorder can hamper IS development even when state authorities and public administration increasingly use ICTs. E-government does not automatically mean democratic e-governance (see, for example, Zacher 2007). The Orwellian scenario is always possible, and the influence of the authoritarian regimes can reach democratic countries and impact the world order. Moreover, such regimes may dominate universal dimensions of IS development and make them degenerated (by ever-growing militarization, surveillance, censorship, and manipulation). The strategies and policies or even goals of IS development may be internationally (and over time) conflicting and contradictory, and clashes within the information civilization are very probable in this context.

The above-mentioned differences and divergent behaviors of IS development stakeholders empower a *multiple-trajectory* course leading to the future. This is illustrated schematically in Fig. 1.

Fig. 1. Multiple trajectories of IS development – A conceptual framework

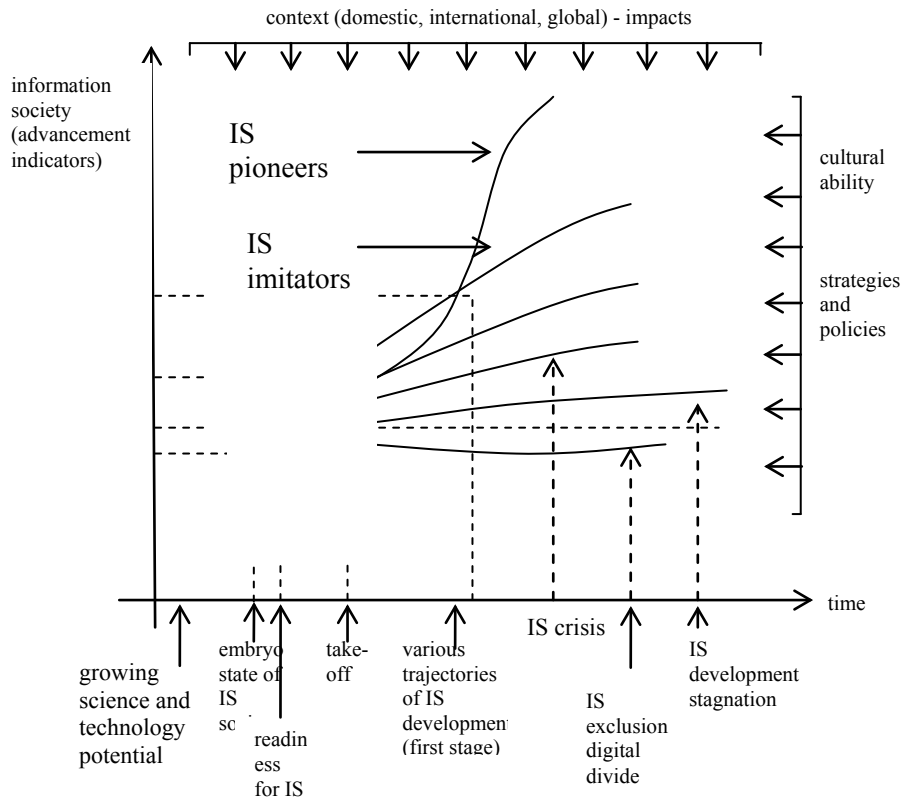


Fig. 1 illustrates possible trajectories of IS development over time. Some trajectories are steep, while some present decent growth and some others present crises in development. The worst cases are IS development stagnation and also exclusion. This is just a general picture indicating the dominating position of pioneers with future-oriented and aggressive strategies, great cultural abilities, and deliberately exploited (or overcome) contexts. Their advancement is fast and firm (sustainable). The IS development of imitators varies according to their capacities, factors, and contexts. Some countries (which can constitute a big part of the world) can have serious troubles expressed in crisis, stagnation, and even exclusion. The causes of these troubles vary – inadequate policies, low cultural ability to adopt and use ICTs, problems with negative effects of globalization, and so on. The “IS development lines” above in Fig. 1 show only the *shape* and *pace* of growth, as it is not possible to present in picture the qualitative “contents” of IS trajectories. This would require a detailed description of concrete cases or the construction of scenarios of the course of development (possible, desirable, and probable). Models of IS development can be very general (see Fig. 2) or specific to a particular country or group of similar countries (see Fig. 3).

Fig. 2 General (universal) conceptual model of IS development

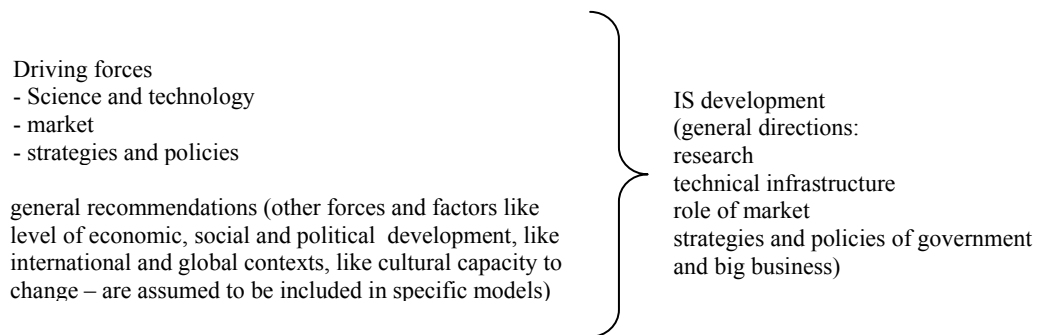
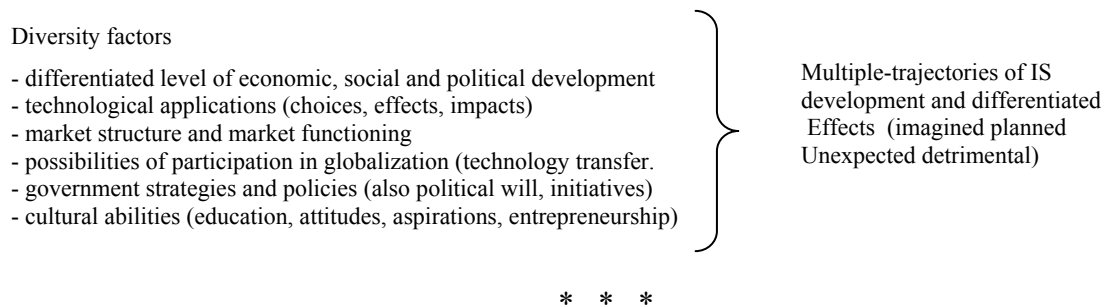


Fig. 3 Specific (diversification) conceptual model of IS development



In conclusion, it is important to properly estimate the forces, factors, and circumstances leading to diversity in IS development around the world. In spite of universalizing megatrends, there are real possibilities of various deviations and degenerations on national, international, and global scales. They directions of the megatrend

are not necessarily always positive. There will not be one single future for all, and global citizens will, at the same time, be *local* and *glo-cal* or parallel in various networks. Complexity, diversity, and multi-identity will shape their info-futures.

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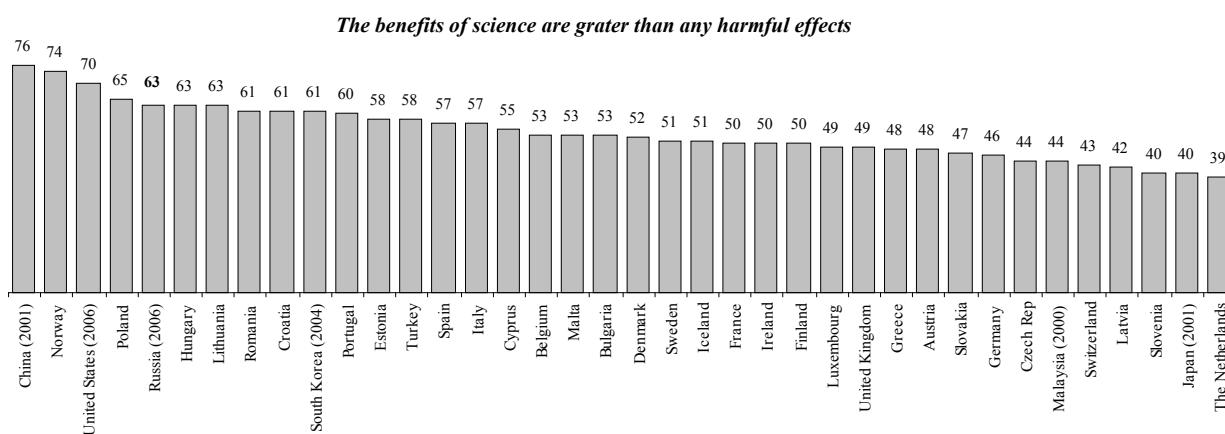
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The Higher Scientific Competence – the More Opponents to Use New Technologies

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As a sociologist with natural science background and a strong supporter of pro-scientific views I was surprised by the fact that so many people are highly sceptical about long-term S&T development consequences. Comparison of surveys that have been conducted in 38 countries shows that in 16 countries (mostly in Western Europe) less than 50% of respondents believe that the benefits of science are greater than any harmful effects (Fig. 1).

Fig. 1. Integrated assessment of consequences of S&T development (*per cent of respondents*)



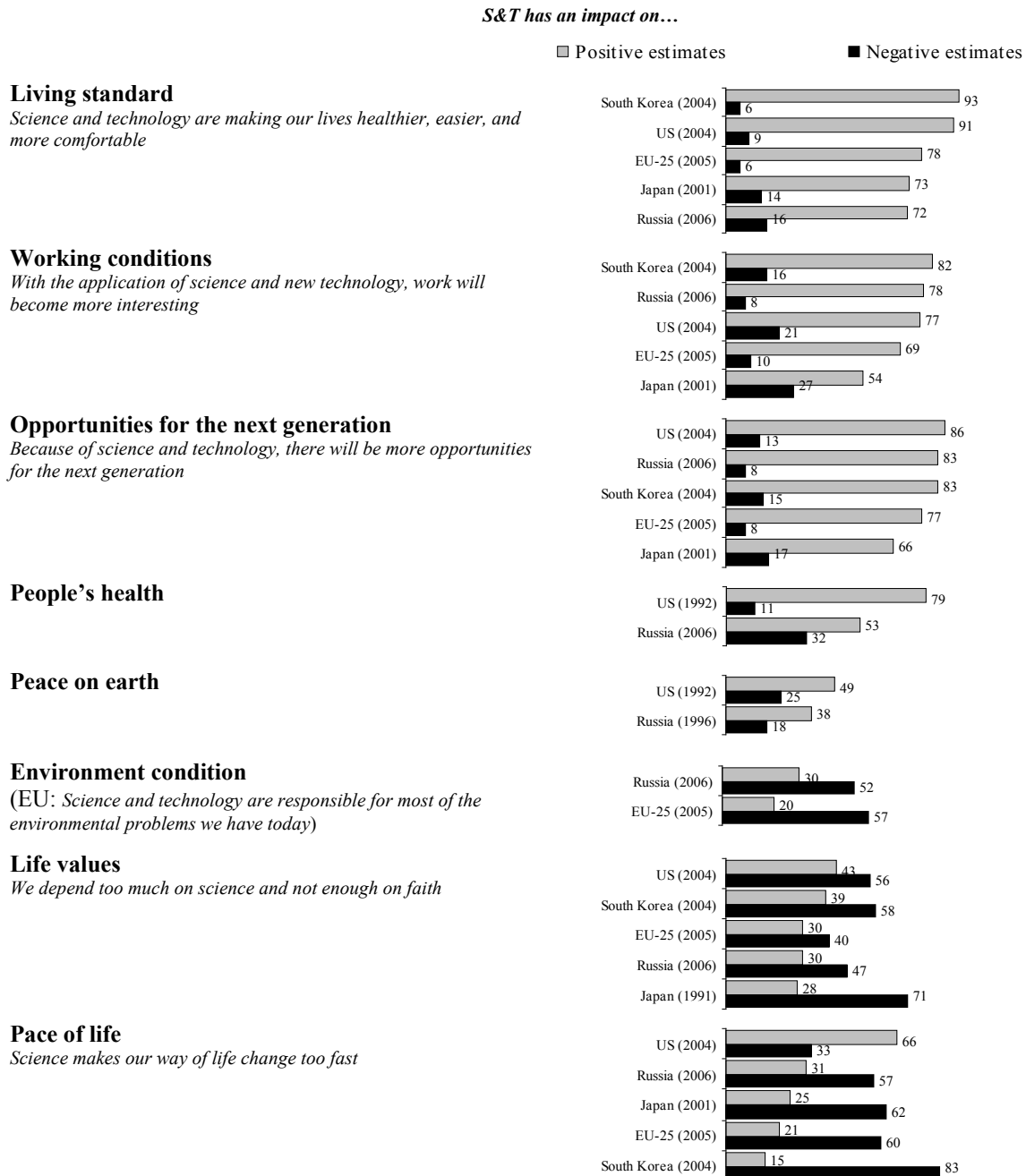
Sources: *Science and Technology Indicators in the Russian Federation*; *National Science Board, 2006, 2008*; *Eurobarometer 224*.

What are the components of this integrated assessment? The most positive opinion is about the impact of S&T development in the area of improving of the living standards, the working conditions, and opportunities for future generation (over 3/4 of adults gave the positive estimates, and less than 1/5 gave the negative ones). The assessments of the impact of science and technology on global peace were ambiguous; however, in this case positive opinions were approximately twice as much (Fig. 2). The most negative opinions had developed about the impact of science and technology on the environment, life values, and pace of life (less than 1/3 of adults gave the positive estimates, and more than one half gave the negative ones). Russians are also concerned about the negative impact of S&T progress on public health - 32% negative answers.

Is it possible to neutralize a negative side of the progress in science? Are the prohibitive measures acceptable? To find out how the population would react to such a measure as restrictions on some areas of scientific research, respondents were asked to comment on two statements: a positive and a negative one. From 21 to 36% of EU-25 citizens and 10% to 31% of Russian respondents supported complete freedom of scientific research. From 43 to 51% of Europeans and from 33% to 63% of Russian respondents supported restrictive measures (Fig. 3). To put it in other words, at least two in five citizens

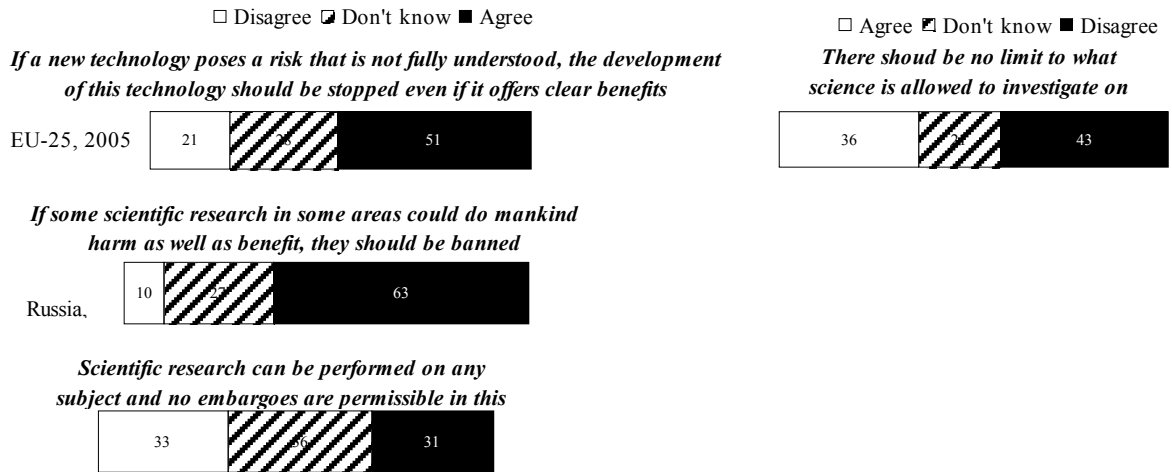
of EU and one in three Russians would support a ban of those research areas that may harm humankind, and only two in ten Europeans and one in ten Russians firmly stands on the position of unrestricted freedom of scientific research.

Fig. 2. S&T impact on people's health and environment (*per cent of respondents*)



Sources: *Science and Technology Indicators in the Russian Federation*; *National Science Board*, 1992, 2006; *Eurobarometer 224*.

Fig. 3. Opinions on embargo against scientific research in specific areas (*per cent of respondents*)



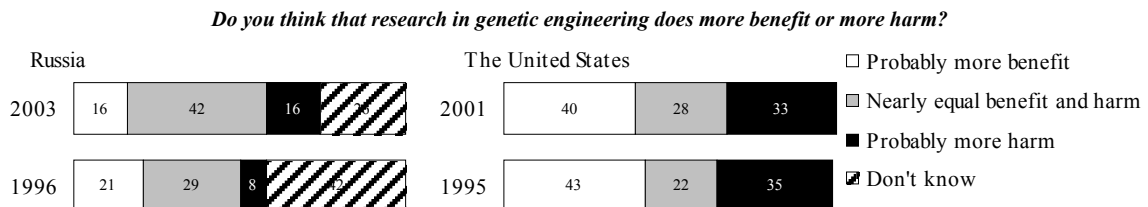
Sources: Eurobarometer 224; Gokhberg and Shuvalova.

There are three areas of the most intense debates: the use of nuclear power, GMO and cloning. Nuclear facilities usually have local impact, and the world community succeeded in non-proliferation of nuclear technologies, while the genetic changes still can get out of control, and public debates occur in parallel with basic research.

Let's consider how the attitudes towards biotechnology have been changing with the progress in research in this area. In 1997 the cloning of Dolly the Sheep got a lot of media attention. Though this event has been generally represented as a success story of genetic engineering for animal husbandry, many ethical problems began to rise, including those related to future of the human cloning. However, Russian respondents have shown little interest in this subject: 42% of those interviewed were undecided as to what would prove most important in the end, namely benefit or danger from such studies (Fig. 4). The number of pessimists was insignificant (8%), Skeptical (both beneficial and dangerous – 29%) and optimistic (21%) forecasts prevailed.

Then media attention was galvanized by a sensational declaration of Dr. Richard Seed on human cloning in the near future. And the general evaluation of the achievements of genetic engineering became more skeptical: the majority of the respondents stated that genetic engineering is both beneficial and dangerous (42%), the number of respondents who consider it dangerous became the same as the number of those who viewed it as beneficial (16%).

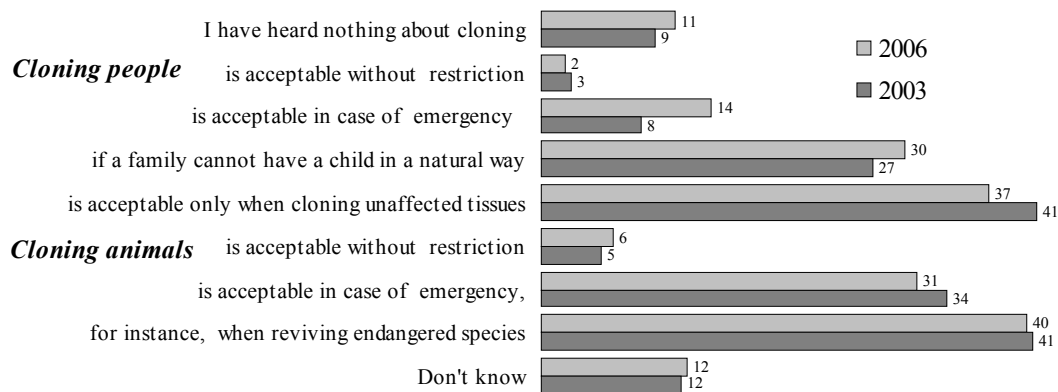
Fig. 4. Assessment of the consequences of genetic engineering development (*per cent of respondents*)



Sources: Gokhberg and Shuvalova; National Science Board, 1995; National Science Board, 2002.

And in 2003 the majority of people had already made up their minds about cloning. This opinion turned to be negative and rather rigid. In Russia 41% of the respondents are convinced that cloning of people or animals is unacceptable under any circumstances. Among the ‘cloning advocates’, only 3% approve of such techniques being applied without any moral restriction with respect to people and 5% with respect to animals (Fig. 5). In 2001 the opinion in European countries was much more rigid: 90% of those surveyed opposed human cloning and 64 percent opposed animal cloning. The US respondents expressed a more positive opinion, particularly toward animal cloning – 47% of respondents would support *cloning animals such as sheep whose milk can be used to make drugs and vaccines*, and those who would oppose it constituted 48% [National Science Board: 2002].

Fig. 5. Opinions on cloning in Russia (*per cent of respondents*)



Sources: *Science and Technology Indicators in the Russian Federation*; Gokhberg and Shuvalova.

Now the opinion has been softened, at least toward medical application. In 2003 only 8% of Russians would allow a naturally infertile married couple to clone, in 2006 - 14%, and if one partner has a genetic disease – 51% (in EU – only 35%). In 2003 27% of Russians would permit cloning tissues to treat affected organs, and in 2007 - 75%, and in EU countries - 72% (table 1).

The news on cloning polarize the society as supporters versus opponents of this technology. There are economical and political reasons behind widely publicized declarations to attract the public attention. On the economy side there is an emerging market of new medical services (the demand for these services will be enormous, especially, in those countries with strong feminist movement and with liberal attitude to gay and lesbian rights). On the political side there is a new area to mobilize electoral support and to gain votes, as illustrated by a populist slogan “Embargo against cloning”. Science was lost in these debates. Does the support of new technologies, having ambiguous societal attitude, depend on public awareness of science?

The results of the last representative surveys in 32 European countries (2005, presented in the Eurobarometers) and in Russia (2006–2007, Higher School of Economics) may help us to answer this question.

The Eurobarometer 225 represents what do European citizens think about acceptability of 22 future applications of science and technology. We chose 15 applications

comparable to Russian survey – from technology *Protecting and re-introducing in their natural environment wild animals that are now nearly extinct*, which rises minimum opponents, to technology *Cloning human beings so that couples can have a baby even when one partner has a genetic disease*, which collects 59% opponents in EU-25 and 35% in Russia (Table 1).

Table 1. The opinion on approving the usage of possible future applications of science and technology (per cent of respondents)

The share of those who approved (*approved in all circumstances + only if it is highly regulated and controlled + only in exceptional circumstances*) versus the share of those who answered *never*

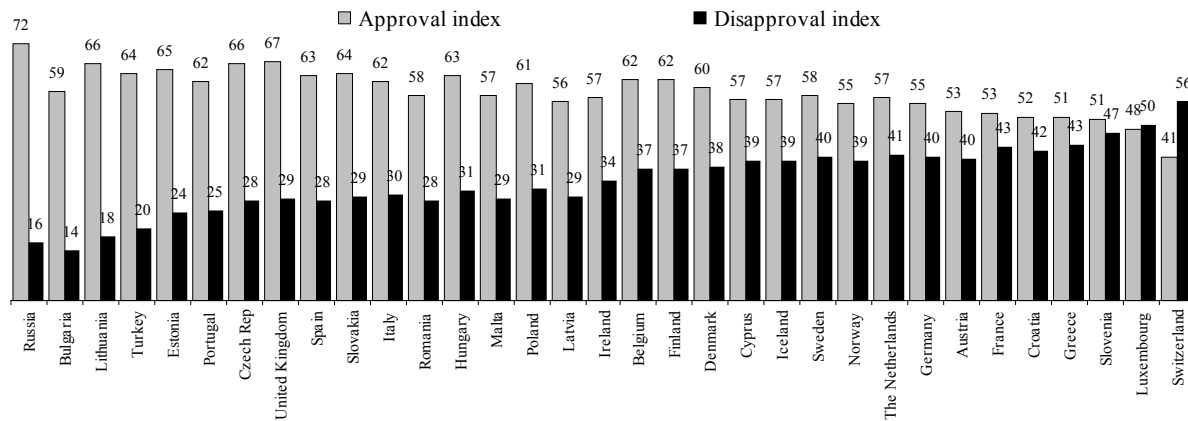
| | EU-25, 2005 | Russia, 2007 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Protecting and re-introducing in their natural environment wild animals that are now nearly extinct | 89 (46+33+10) : 7 | 87 (34+38+15) : 5 |
| Developing genetically modified bacteria that could clean up the environment after environmental catastrophes | 76 (20+37+16) : 19 | 84 (26+42+16) : 6 |
| Storing everyone's genetic data so that criminals can be caught easily | 74 (26+33+15) : 21 | 82 (22+43+17) : 8 |
| Cloning human stem cells from embryos to make cells and organs that can be transplanted into people with diseases | 72 (11+41+20) : 22 | 75 (20+36+19) : 12 |
| Cloning animals such as monkeys or pigs for research into human diseases | 65 (8+35+22) : 31 | 66 (14+30+22) : 21 |
| Using genetic testing to produce a child that could act as a born-marrow donor for a brother or sister who has a life threatening disease | 64 (11+28+25) : 31 | 62 (12+27+23) : 22 |
| Storing all the genetic data of our population in data banks in order to study the genetic causes of human diseases | 61 (20+41+15) : 17 | 85 (26+44+15) : 5 |
| Developing genetic treatments to get rid of people's bad habits like smoking or alcoholism | 61 (15+29+17) : 33 | 87 (31+39+17) : 5 |
| Developing for everybody a genetic test that would tell us about diseases we might get, even if we cannot do anything about them | 61 (14+27+20) : 34 | 87 (32+40+15) : 4 |
| Developing genetically modified crops to increase the variety of regionally grown foods | 56 (8+31+17) : 37 | 60 (13+31+16) : 26 |
| Developing a genetic treatment that would prolong our expected life span by 25 years | 52 (12+26+14) : 42 | 82 (25+39+18) : 8 |
| Developing for children a genetic test that would identify their talents and weaknesses | 41 (6+19+16) : 54 | 65 (14+28+23) : 22 |
| Implanting into our brain a tiny computer chip that would improve our memory | 41 (6+17+18) : 54 | 59 (10+24+25) : 28 |
| Growing meat from cell cultures so that we do not have to slaughter farm animals | 36 (6+18+12) : 54 | 48 (9+22+17) : 36 |
| Cloning human beings so that couples can have a baby even when one partner has a genetic disease | 35 (4+15+16) : 59 | 51 (7+20+24) : 35 |

Sources: *Indicators of Innovation in the Russian Federation, Eurobarometer 225.*

We have noticed that the opinion on the approval rate of using some new technologies had been more negative in some countries, and more positive in the other countries. For example, the highest shares of those who answered *never* were in Switzerland (also in Slovenia, Greece, Croatia and Germany). On the contrary the most positive opinions were observed in Russia, United Kingdom, Czech Republic and Turkey.

Then we have calculated two indicators for each country – approval index and disapproval index – as an average share of supporters and opponents (Fig. 6).

Fig. 6. The proportion of supporters and opponents on 15 particular technologies in 33 European countries (an average share, per cent of respondents)



Then we selected 20 indicators from Eurobarometers 224, 225, 236 (Table 2). The analysis has revealed a strong direct correlation between the average share of opponents (not supporters!) of 15 particular technologies, by country, and four indicators of public awareness of S&T: the level of scientific literacy (0,611), the share of respondents, who demonstrated a high level of interest in scientific discoveries (0,683), in new inventions and technologies (0,631), and who consider astrology as pseudoscience (0,643). On the contrary, the share of “supporting” respondents (in all circumstances, or - more frequently - only if the usage of technologies is strictly regulated and controlled, or only in exceptional circumstances) has a feedback correlation with that same indicators, although this correlation is not that strong (-0,209, -0,487, -0,444 and -0,346).

Table 2. The degree of dependence between the share of supporters/ opponents on new technologies and indicators of public awareness of S&T

| Indicators of public awareness of S&T | Pearson correlation* | |
|---|----------------------|----------------|
| | Disapproval index | Approval index |
| The share of respondents, who demonstrated a high level of interest in scientific discoveries, N=33 countries | ,683 | -,487 |
| The share of respondents, who consider that astrology is not a science at all, N=33 countries | ,643 | -,346 |
| The share of respondents, who demonstrated a high level of interest in new inventions and technologies, N=33 countries | ,631 | -,444 |
| The level of scientific literacy **, N=33 countries | ,611 | -,209 |
| The share of respondents, who consider We depend too much on science and not enough on faith N=33 countries | ,537 | -,163 |
| The share of respondents, who disagree The benefits of scientific research outweighed the harmful results N=33 countries | ,539 | -,288 |
| The share of respondents, who consider The benefits of scientific research outweighed the harmful results N=33 страны | -,430 | ,380 |
| The share of respondents, who disagree It is not important for me to know about science in my daily life N=33 countries | ,301 | -,062 |
| The share of respondents, who disagree Research conducted by industry is well controlled and regulated N=32 countries | ,176 | ,037 |
| The share of respondents, who agree Research conducted by industry is well controlled and regulated N=32 countries | ,302 | -,230 |
| The share of respondents, who consider Government R&D funding is insufficient N=33 countries | -,198 | ,158 |
| The share of respondents, who disagree Scientific research, even though not yielding immediate profit but increasing human knowledge, should receive financial support from the government N=33 countries | ,294 | -,276 |
| The share of respondents, who consider Science makes our way of life change too fast N=33 countries | ,166 | ,081 |
| The share of respondents, who consider Because of science and technology, there will be more opportunities for the next generation N=33 countries | -,132 | ,201 |
| The share of respondents, who consider Innovative products or services often simplify everyday life N=30 countries | ,323 | -,339 |

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| The share of respondents, who consider <i>Purchasing an innovative product or service is risky for the consumer</i> N=30 countries | ,204 | -,297 |
| The share of « <i>enthusiasts</i> » N=30 countries | ,036 | -,104 |
| The share of « <i>attracted</i> » N=30 countries | ,258 | -,246 |
| The share of « <i>reluctant</i> » (conservators) N=30 countries | -,195 | ,326 |
| The share of « <i>antiinnovators</i> » N=30 countries | -,074 | -,058 |

*Pearson correlation indicates the degree of linear dependence between two variables. It changes from +1 (direct linear relationship) to -1 (feedback linear relationship), if the variables are independent then the correlation is 0.

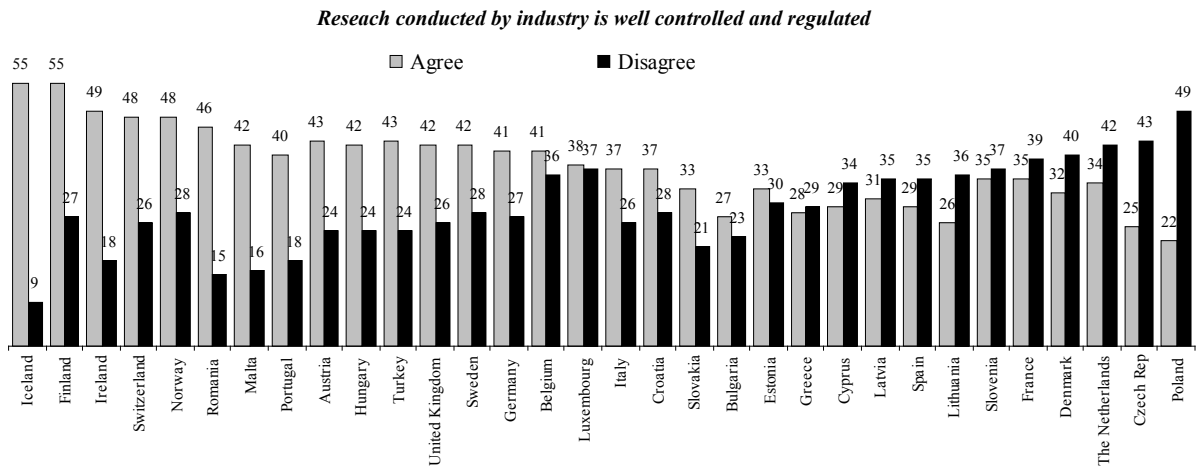
** An average share of correct answers on 7 tests (Human beings, as we know them today, developed from earlier species of animals, Electrons are smaller than atoms, All radioactivity is man-made, Antibiotics kill viruses as well as bacteria, The centre of the Earth is very hot, Lasers work by focusing sound waves, The continents on which we live have been moving for millions of years and will continue to move in the future).

Sources: *Science and Technology Indicators in the Russian Federation; Indicators of Innovation in the Russian Federation; Eurobarometers 224, 225, 236.*

Thus, the higher is the level of public awareness of science in the country, – the more is the share of opponents to use the new technologies. May have it been true, is it not required for the public to care about the science? Or, as it was formulated by George Orwell, is ignorance really a strength? No, in no way!

Considered phenomenon shows that there is a competent worriment in the society as to uncertain consequences of cloning and some other new technologies and there are doubts about the effectiveness of control over their usage. Thus, only 36% of the Europeans agree with the statement *Research conducted by industry is well controlled and regulated*, while 32% disagree. Maximum trust was demonstrated in Finland and in Iceland – 55%, maximum distrust – in Poland – 49 (Fig. 7). In Russia when asked: *Who most often is responsible for the negative consequences of scientific achievements?* a majority of Russians blame politicians, all levels of government, and officials (38%). Notably, among highly educated respondents this opinion is shared by one in two. Personnel involved in the operation of dangerous systems and scientists were referred to significantly less often (12 and 9%), while architects and construction workers were most seldom to blame (Fig. 8).

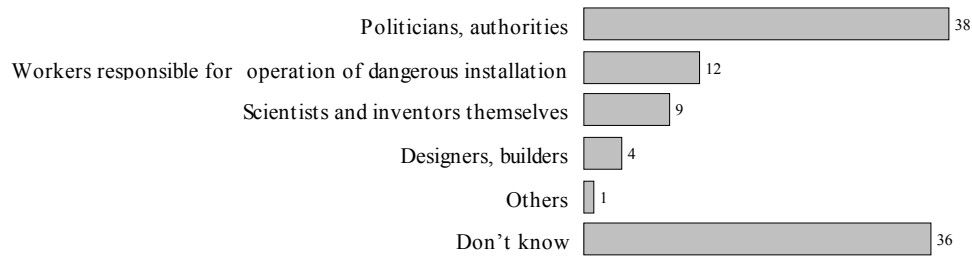
Fig. 7. Trust in controlling and regulation of new technologies (per cent of respondents)



Source: Eurobarometer 224.

Fig. 8. Who are, in the Russian population’s opinion, to blame for harm caused by S&T progress? 1997 (per cent of respondents)

Who are mostly to blame for harm caused by S&T progress?



Source: Gokhberg and Shuvalova.

Then I measured the correlation between the share of those who was disagreeing with the statement *Research conducted by industry is well controlled and regulated* and the disapproval index, but this correlation was not strong (0,301, see Table 2). This may tell us that in such countries as Finland, which enjoy a combination of very advanced new technology development, and of high level of public awareness of science, over the process of innovation is under control, and so people have high confidence in it, but worryment is focused on lack/failure of such a control in other countries, which a potential for worrisome consequences for humankind.

Thus the problem of building up the public trust must be solved by increasing the accountability and competence of decision-makers, and by increasing the level of civic scientific literacy of the population. The society and scientists must collaborate in improving methods how to control the use on new technologies– both in acceptability industry and on international stage. And at same time the scientific knowledge should be popularized, for only educated citizens are ready to assume social responsibility.

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Endangered and dangerous individuals. Genetic testing as a “subcellular panoptism”

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Today, the talk about genes has become an important part of media and everyday communication (see Nelkin/Lindee 1995; van Dijck 1998; Duden/Samerski 2007). As familiar as we may be by now with the genetic discourse, the question may still be asked how the continual talk about genetic dispositions, risks, or diseases fits in with a social climate characterized by the omnipresent call for self-responsibility and taking care of oneself. What is the relationship between genetic rationale on one side and political demands for mobility, flexibility, and autonomy on the other? Are not genetic dispositions nonnegotiable, *a priori* to individual action and decision-making processes and thus beyond influence? What is the connection between these two aspects – biological destiny and freedom of the will?

My thesis is that instead of granting exoneration from institutional expectations the debate concerning genetic information constitutes an arena in which autonomous subjects come forward – or do not come forward. In the act of controlling genetic risks, modes of self-government are linked to the government of others (cf. Foucault 2000a), and individual preferences remain coupled with collective norms. Instead of proceeding on the assumption of dissociation, their interaction is to be pointed out here.

In the following I will illustrate this thesis by referring to some empirical trends in different social areas. I shall begin with the field of medical genetics in order to outline the contours of “genetic self-responsibility”, using statements from bioethicists and representatives of the medical profession. The next section will deal with the popularization of genetic knowledge through how-to-literature using a selected example. Finally, some possible bearings of the genetic discourse upon criminal justice and the social treatment of deviance will be discussed under the heading of “The return of the dangerous individual”.

1. Contours of genetic self-responsibility

“Self-responsibility” and “personal responsibility for health and provision” are rated very highly in the current health system and policy of prevention. The call to meet individual genetic risks through individual responsibility is not a breach with this (health) policy, but its continuation. The personal will to good health ought not to be limited to matters of lifestyle such as smoking or the consumption of alcohol, but should include the “responsible” dealing with genetic information. This is documented by the statements of eminent representatives of the medical profession and of bioethics as well as by the self-presentation of genetic testing companies (cf. Höhn 1997; Fogarty 2004).

From this perspective genetic knowledge is regarded as empowering, replacing fate with the freedom to choose between several options. While formally a right to non-knowledge is respected, this right is increasingly being ruled out in bioethical literature. Only those who draw the right conclusions from genetic knowledge can claim to act autonomously, i.e. those who accept the imperative of risk prevention and self-surveillance. As Rosamond Rhodes has put it: „[W]hen genetic information is likely to make a significant difference in my

decisions and when the information is obtainable with reasonable effort, I have no right to remain ignorant. From the recognition of my own autonomy, I have a duty to be informed.” (Rhodes 1998: 18)

While the principles of autonomy and non-directiveness are upheld in principle in genetic counselling, it is also clear that some decisions do not qualify as “rational” or “reasonable”. To seek and acquire knowledge about genetic risks and engage in preventive action comes to stand out as the “right” way to relate to oneself (cf. Koch and Svendsen 2005). In this perspective, all those people look genetically irresponsible who fail to show the will or the ability to understand and use genetic information for reproductive decisions and health options. The genetic enlightenment vision of the mature and responsible patient therefore does not mean that affected persons’ are able to make decisions in line with their own preferences and values. To the contrary, the rationality and moral integrity of the decisions made will be measured against whether they lead to a reduction of genetic risks for the individual and society (cf. Sass 2003).

2. Practical Advice for a Rational Conduct of Life: Genetic Guides as Government Literature

In recent years a series of guides has been published which put a central focus on the appropriation and dissemination of genetic knowledge (Lemke 2006). The spreading and turning of genetic diagnosis into a household commonplace is reflected in these guide books in a twofold way. On one side patients and “individuals at risk” – thus all readers – are conceptualized in health guides as “customers” who ask specifically for genetic information and medical services, such as in the case of a book titled *Does It Run in the Family? A Consumer’s Guide to DNA Testing for Genetic Disorders* (Teichler Zallen 1997; Milunsky 2001). On the other side, the use of genetic screenings breaks away from a more or less specific suspicion of disease and is increasingly used for the screening for general health dispositions and risks relating to the lifestyle. Thus, for instance, in wellness and diet guides issues of personal genetic constitution play an increasing important role (Bland/Benum 1999; Hesch/Bosch 2001; De Busk 2003; Huber/Klentze 2005),

However, there are also general guides outside the medical context which provide information on the meaning of genetic factors for life decisions and issues of everyday life. Among those features the book *Mean Genes – From Sex to Money to Food: Taming our Primal Instincts* by Terry Burnham and Jay Phelan (2000). The thesis it starts from – though hardly original – is that the instincts we inherited from our ancestors and which secured their survival in the context of the Stone Age are ill-adjusted to life in our modern age and thus lead to a variety of problems. This guide maintains the conviction from evolutionary biology that with regard to our genetic layout we are “still cavewomen and cavemen” (2000, p. 246). The causes of a variety of personal shortcomings and everyday problems from unfaithfulness to idleness, from greed to drug addiction, are attributed to genetically-fixed behavioural dispositions. The putative free will, according to the authors, is inevitably over-determined by genetic factors, and the “I” not king of his own castle. In making these claims the authors are not advocating, however, genetic determinism; quite to the contrary they see their book as a recommendation for self-discipline and as a measure for resisting genetic programming. Genes are understood not only as the cause of behavioural shortcomings and

inner struggles, but also as the “tools” (ibid., p. 248) with which to fight them.

Thus the authors outline an agonistic concept of the self in which the “I” keeps watch over “its genes”, and controls, contains, or rejects the archaic natural appetites resulting from them. The individual’s moral and social competence manifests itself in whether or not and to what extent he or she is successful in this task. To some degree, in fact, the “I” only becomes manifest in this act of control and taming of the genes. The subjects’ rational conduct of life permanently threatens to fall back to outmoded behavioural patterns of the past. Only those individuals who display a competent engagement with their genetic heritage may succeed as subjects. The rest – thus the argument of the authors could be continued – remain at the same developmental stage as the Stone Age men, which evolution has left completely untouched. How one deals with one’s genes, it seems, is a kind of Litmus test which indicates a subject’s moral autonomy and self-control.

In this approach, the liberal subject assumes shape in controlling natural dispositions, in the knowledge about internal resistances against a rational conduct of life, and in dealing actively with one’s genes (cf. Valverde 1996). Freedom, thus, is not the antithesis of nature – on the contrary: only in the struggle with inner nature, with appetites and inertia, is the autonomy of the subject revealed. The authors’ metaphor of the “genetic stage” (Burnham and Phelan 2000, p. 3) indicates: though the genes are the stage on which the play takes place, the kind of play enacted – whether it is a comedy or a tragedy – is up to the individual.

This, of course, requires the individuals’ general ability to assume social roles. But what about those whose Litmus test turns out negative? How are these cavemen, who populate modernity but fail to live an autonomous life, to be dealt with? Alongside the endangered individual a second character appears on the (genetic) stage: the dangerous individual.

3. The return of the dangerous individual

It does not suffice to appeal to the subjects’ responsibility; first it must be clarified whether they are fundamentally capable of accepting responsibility. Accordingly, the bioethicist Sass calls for “responsibility competence” (1994: 350) in dealing with one’s genome. The danger inherent in this conception of responsibility is to search for the objective foundation for subjective competence in responsibly dealing with one’s genetic information again in biological factors. Consequently, the question emerges whether there are subjects who, owing to their (genetic) constitution, find it more or less difficult to act responsibly. Conversely, the question can be asked whether there are biological prerequisites for responsible action. This notion is illustrated by a medical study which concludes that “risk behaviour”, such as smoking, drug consumption, and alcoholism, is genetically conditioned (Bhattacharya 2003). Hence, there are not only genetic risks that predispose one toward certain illnesses, but there are also genes which predispose a person toward “risk behaviour” relevant to disease. Outside the medical context behavioural geneticists are searching for genetic peculiarities which go to make some people more prone to violent, criminal, or anti-social behaviour than others (Ciba Foundation 1996; Wasserman/Wachbroit 2001; Caspi et al. 2002; Craig 2007). This research raises the question whether individuals with specific genetic properties have the same capacity as others to act autonomously and to make responsible decisions.

Particular relevance is lent to this question in the context of legal judgement and attributions of accountability. Thus, the concepts of culpability and legitimate punishment could conceivably be called into question if it is assumed that behaviour is determined or at least predisposed by biological-genetic factors. This, however, apparently is not the case. The re-emergence of biological explanations in criminology and criminal justice does not remotely result in the relativization of accountability and culpability. Rather, they "are bound up with a new 'public health' conception of crime control. In these strategies, socio-political interventions are legitimated not in the language of law and rights, but in terms of the priority of protecting 'normal people' against risks that threaten their security and contentment." (Rose 2000: 7)

This new prevention strategy, which aims at the protection of the public and the avoidance of future crime, has already resulted in a significant increase of the population of offenders considered to be dangerous to society. While in the Western part of Germany 1995 2.902 persons were living in psychiatric hospitals because of their assumed "dangerousness for the general public", the number increased to 5.917 in March 2006 (Krauth 2008: 10). It is quite difficult to explain this surprising trend in some accumulation of danger to the public. It seems rather plausible to account for this rise by investigating the transformation of prevention strategies that more and more operate with the idea that certain offenders, because of their biological design, respond neither to social rehabilitation nor to medical therapy. (cf. Klingst 2003)¹

The popularity of DNA analysis arises not only from its professed technological superiority over traditional methods of identification (cf. with a critical assessment: Pugliese 1999; Cole 2001; Gigerenzer 2002: 161-183; Liptak 2003). The so-called "genetic fingerprint" is not merely a forensic instrument capable of identifying a person as the offender by comparing evidence secured at the crime scene with details from genetic analyses; rather any DNA analysis nourishes the suspicion that there is a connection between the offender's genetic profile, secured after the offence and used for its solution, and the origin of the offence itself: Do the offenders' natures possibly precede the crime, and is the latter perhaps only an expression of a biologically determined personality? Is it possible that the offenders had no choice but to commit a crime, because they are "born criminals"? (cf. Rafter 1997; Blech 2003)

4. Conclusion

Quite different from the criminology of the late 19th century, which assumed that criminals formed a certain kind of race with outwardly visible signs of delinquency which were clearly identifiable through, for instance, phrenology, the behavioural genetics of today believes the traces of deviance, aggression, and cruelty are located within the body. Nikolas Rose (2000) notes a "new biology of control", which in contrast to the eugenic practices of the past is not so much interested in certain populations characterized by unchangeable and visible peculiarities, but rather focuses on "individuals at risk"— that is, potentially all

¹ On the history of the „dangerous individual“ see Pratt 1995; McCallum 2001; Foucault 2000b; Krauth 2008.

members of society. Following this logic of control are the recurring calls of politicians to secure DNA samples of every citizen, in order to be able to prevent or to solve future criminal offences (Spiegel Online 2001; Jeffrey 2003; Patalong 2005). Thinking further along these lines: Should people outfitted with “defective” genes or a “diseased” brain perhaps be put away into mental institutions on grounds of prevention based upon genetic or neurobiological diagnoses before they can commit a criminal act? (cf. Kröger 2005) Would it not be sensible to test every newborn for genetic risks of common diseases immediately after birth in order to run targeted preventative measures, thus saving medical costs?

These claims may sound exaggerated and their future implementation may seem doubtful, yet they merely represent an ultimate consequence of the current logic of risk and prevention. The latter is characterized by the continuum of a control strategy which nevertheless exhibits an internal differentiation and channelling. It features the responsible subject and responsibility without the subject. The former are the addressees of the genetic responsibility discourse: mature subjects who pursue rational health management and (are supposed to) use genetic knowledge for their family planning, prevention of diseases, and conduct of life. The latter stands for individuals with a propensity towards aggression or antisocial behaviour and who need to be “readjusted” in terms of biochemistry and pharmacology, without being held wholly responsible for “their” offence. They are “handicapped” with genetic and environmental risks such that they represent a constant threat to others or for society as a whole. In this vision of the future, genetics represents a kind of “social medicine” in which illness and deviance point to biochemical and genetic disorders, which can be diagnosed and neutralized by medicine. It is the promise of this medicine that it will effectively prevent future illnesses and behavioural disorders. The paradox, however, is that it can only deliver on that promise by turning all members of society into patients.

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