



Society and
Emotions

STATUTES

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Article I. Objectives

The Thematic Work Group on Society and Emotions, TG08, has the following aims:

- to encourage the worldwide exchange of research findings, methodological advances and theoretical developments relevant to the sociology of emotions;
- to promote international meetings and research collaboration by scholars and practitioners interested in the sociology of emotions;
- to develop international contacts among sociologists, professionals and social activists interested in the sociology of emotions;
- to support shared publication efforts.

Article II. Activities

To achieve these ends TG08 shall:

1. Organize sessions during ISA World Congresses of Sociology
2. Conduct at least one midterm meeting between World Congresses
3. Produce and distribute a Newsletter twice a year. The Newsletter might be substituted by new means of communication in accordance with ISA regulations. One of the members of the executive board shall be responsible for editing the newsletter which shall be distributed electronically.
4. Maintain a directory of members,
5. Conduct Business Meetings during the World Congresses and other ISA meetings.

Article III. Membership

1. There are two types of members: regular and affiliated members.
 - a. Regular members in good standing are those who have paid their TG08 dues, and who are also members in good standing of the ISA.
 - b. Affiliated members in good standing have paid TG08 dues but are not ISA members in good standing.

Regular members may fully participate in the activities of TG08, including voting, nominating candidates to the Executive Board, taking on positions in the Executive Board, acting as session coordinators and applying for

Congress participation stipends distributed before congresses. They can also contribute to the Newsletter and the Webpage. Affiliated members may fully participate in the activities of TG08, such as the Newsletter, the Webpage or a conference, but have no other rights.

All regular and affiliated members shall:

- c. uphold the present statutes;
 - d. conscientiously fulfill the tasks entrusted to them;
 - e. participate actively in recruiting new members, and disseminate news of TG08 activities and of research by TG08 members;
 - f. pay dues for a four year period in a timely manner or, exceptionally, seek an exemption from dues by application to the Group Secretary-Treasurer. Non-payment of dues will lead to loss of membership six months after the final period paid for, unless special arrangements are made;
 - g. receive regular communication from the Board.
2. All Group members are encouraged to join the ISA since the ISA counts the number of Regular Members when determining the Group's rights and benefits, such as participation stipends and the allotted number of congress sessions.
 3. Membership fees will be determined by the Board.
 4. Funds accumulated from the membership fees will be spent on Awards for Outstanding Presentations/Texts and/or used towards meeting some of the costs of the Midterm Conference (a total of 40-60% of the Funds), while the remainder (40-60% of the Funds) will subsidize a leisure activity of the Group's members held during a World Congress.

Article IV. Members of the Board

1. Officers and Board members of TG08 shall be knowledgeable in the sociology of emotions and be regular members of the Group. They shall be dedicated to working toward the Group objectives.
2. The Board shall consist of the President; three Vice-Presidents coming from three different continents; a Secretary-Treasurer; a Newsletter Editor; a Webpage Editor and, if it seems called for, Interface Officer as well as Extended Board Members.
3. The terms of office shall be four years and no officer may serve more than two consecutive terms. If necessary, the "old" Newsletter Editor and the "old" Webpage Editor will stay on for a year past their second term to insure a smooth running of the Newsletter and the Webpage until their successor Editors can do so on their own.
4. If casual vacancies arise in the Board between elections, they may be filled by appointment of the Board.
5. The Secretary-Treasurer shall give an accounting of any resources and liabilities of the TG08 at each Business Meeting. Decisions regarding expenditures must have the approval of the Board.
6. The President shall make periodic reports to the ISA and members of the TG08 at appropriate times.

7. The Board shall establish limited term committees for specific areas of interest, such as a Nominations Committee.
8. The main means of communication will be the Internet and the Business Meetings but the officers take responsibility for members with limited access to both.

Article V. Elections

1. The election of Officers and Board members shall take place at a Group Business Meeting organized at the ISA World Congress of Sociology convened every four years, by an online survey or by email if necessary.
2. All members in good standing of the TG08 and the ISA shall be eligible to vote, to act as members of the Nominations Committee, to be nominated and run in elections as candidates to the Executive Board and be elected to the Executive Board.
3. Preparation of a slate of candidates is the responsibility of the Nominations Committee established by the Board. Members of the Nominations Committee shall not be candidates for any positions. The Nominations Committee shall be mindful of the desire for geographical diversity in the process.
4. All nominations shall be submitted to the Nominations Committee 6 weeks before the Business Meeting.
5. All nominees must have agreed to stand for office.
6. All nominees must have written support from at least two TG08 members in good standing and shall submit a candidature statement and a short CV.
7. If no nominations have been received in time, the officers of the Nominations Committee are empowered to nominate candidates.
8. There must be at least one candidate for each position.
9. The Nominations Committee shall submit nominations to the President and the TG08 members no later than 4 weeks before the start of the Business Meeting organized at the ISA Congress convened every four years.
10. Voting shall be by secret ballot.

VI. Business Meetings

1. A Business Meeting of the TG08 shall be held during each World Congress of Sociology. In addition, interim meetings may be held.
2. The functions of the Business Meeting are:
 - a. to report on the work of the TG08 since the last Business Meeting;
 - b. to elect or to announce, if elected by survey/online, officers of the TG08
 - c. to provide direction regarding the work of the TG08 by passing resolutions or by other means;
 - d. to handle other issues as they may arise.

VII. Amendment of Statutes

1. Any motion to amend the statutes shall be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer three months before the Business Meeting for distribution to the membership.

2. Such motions shall have the written support of five members of the TG08 in good standing.
3. Motions to amend the statutes will come into effect if supported by a simple majority of those present and eligible to vote.