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PRESIDENT'S LETTER 1/2024

Dear Colleagues,

I start my second newsletter as President of the RC by wishing everyone an excellent 2024!

I would like to share the information that, as a result of the RC01 membership campaign we promoted, we now have six new members, three of whom are students. Regarding the countries, we have one from Norway, one from the United States, and four from Turkey - all credit must go to Barış, who led the process.

The number of active members is important for participation in all ISA activities, which is why we will pay special attention to this issue. Soon the ISA should publish the call for Forum 2025, which will take place in Rabat, Morocco, between the 7th and 11th of July. The Forum and the Congress (the next one will be in 2027, in South Korea) are important moments for us to welcome new members.

Before that, however, the opportunity arose to hold an RC01 Seminar taking advantage of the 16th Conference of the European Sociological Association (ESA). It will take place in Portugal, in the beautiful city of Porto, between August 26th and 29th this year. As we will have several RC01 colleagues participating in the Congress, which starts on a Tuesday, I proposed holding a small RC01 seminar on Monday the 25th, in Porto. Colleagues who have registered for the ESA Congress will be contacted directly by me. However, if anyone else would like to participate in just the RC01 seminar, please feel very welcome! In this case, I only ask that you contact us via email at celso.castro@fgv.br.

Greetings to everyone, and may we have a very productive year!...

Celso Castro
President RC01

CONFERENCES

16th ESA CONFERENCE:

The 16th ESA Conference will take place on 27 - 30 August 2024 in Porto-Portugal. This conference will include Research Stream 15- Armed Forces, Conflict Resolution, and Peace Building, which has been proposed by Kees Koonings and Celso Castro. 20 papers have been submitted to the RS15. Additionally, Celso Castro will present the updated history of the RC01.

Detailed information can be found on the website at: <http://www.conftool.com/esa2024>

17th ERGOMAS Conference:

The 17th ERGOMAS Conference will take place on 1-5 July 2024 in Stockholm, Sweden, at Södertörn University. The submission deadline has passed, but the deadline for early registration is - April 30, 2024, and the deadline for registration - May 30, 2024.

Detailed information can be found on the website at: <https://www.ergomas.ch/>

RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY RC01 MEMBERS

Books:

1. Ateş, Barış. 2024. *An Analysis of Samuel P. Huntington's The Soldier and The State* (İstanbul: Ketebe, in Turkish)
2. Ben-Ishai, Ofra, Yagil Levy and Rinat Moshe (eds.). 2023. *Momentum and Weakness: Social Readings of the Israeli Military Doctrine* (Haifa: Pardes, forthcoming in Hebrew).
3. Berndtsson, Joakim; Irina Goldenberg and Stéfanie von Hlatky (eds.). *Total Defence Forces in the Twenty-First Century*. McGill-Queen's University Press. <https://www.mqup.ca/total-defence-forces-in-the-twenty-first-century-products-9780228019299.php>
4. Castro, Celso et al. 2023. *Armed Forces in Public Security in Brazil: The military point of view* (FGV Editora).

Since the 1990s, the Armed Forces have been repeatedly used in public security actions in Brazil. How did they develop, and how did they impact the military? To answer these questions, 16 interviews with Armed Forces officers are gathered here. As a whole, they allow us to learn about the experience and worldview of a generation of officers who participated in these Armed Forces domestic employment operations and reflect on the challenges they faced and the legacy they left.

Free download:

<https://editora.fgv.br/produto/armed-forces-in-public-security-in-brazil-the-military-point-of-view-3853>.

5. Levy, Yagil. 2023. *How to Write a Policy Paper: From a Public Problem to a Solution* (Ra'anana: Lamda – The Open University Book, in Hebrew).

Chapters:

Levy, Yagil. 2024. Militarism and Militarization, in *Research Handbook on Civil-Military Relations*, eds. Aurel Croissant, David Kuehn and David Pion-Berlin (forthcoming in Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing). <https://www.e-elgar.com/shop/gbp/research-handbook-on-civil-military-relations-9781800889835.html>

Projects:

Veteran Suicide: Investigating the Social and Historical Dimension

Open Door: Understanding and Supporting Service Personnel and their Families research initiative at Flinders University is collaborating with University of Alabama and the University of New South Wales to conduct a national study on Australian veteran suicide. This study is novel because it takes a longer-term view of veteran suicide in Australia, dating back to 1914. Currently Australia is conducting a Royal Commission into Defence

and Veteran Suicide which looks back to the late 1990s. Moreover, the field of veteran suicide is dominated by medico-legal research which sometimes purports to adopt a bio-psycho-social approach to this subject in Australia but universally falls short of demonstrating any deep sense, or inclusion of, the social. The study will use micro histories and the sociological autopsy method, within a critical realist philosophy of science. These methods adopt interviews, media, and documentary analysis, located in time and place, to generate understanding of the historical geopolitical context, Australian cultural representations of Defence, the Veteran and Veteran entitlement or liability. The different forms of governance, scientific investigation and military industrial complex will form part of the analysis. The project commenced in late 2023 and will conclude in 2026.

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We hope that you enjoyed reading this issue of RC 01's newsletter.