

RC 36 NEWSLETTER

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Dear colleagues,

We hope this message finds you well as we begin a new year of activities within RC36 – Alienation Theory and Research. Below you'll find updates on our upcoming seminar, calls for contributions, and a selection of academic opportunities that may be of interest.

Talking Alienation Seminar

The first session of the Talking Alienation Seminar will take place on **January 28 at 3:00 p.m. (GMT)**. **If you have not yet received the Zoom link, please reply to this message and we will be happy to share it with you, or [contact us here](#) if you prefer.** You can consult the [calendar for the first quadrimester of 2026](#) on our updated web portal.

Want to present at a Talking Alienation session? Submit your abstract [here!](#)

Publications & Contributions

- If you have **recently published an article** or book chapter, please send us the link along with a short abstract so we can feature it on the RC36 website, in our [Publications](#) section..
- We also welcome **research notes, reports, reflections, and early-stage ideas** for publication in our [Blog](#) section.

Be attentive! Two calls for publication will open soon!

You will be informed—so start gathering your old manuscripts, revised research papers, study notes, and observations scribbled in the margins of books and articles as you read them, and let's bring them out into the open.

The two themes will focus on **alienation and technology** (including programming) and **alienation and gender**. Stay tuned!

RC36 General Meeting

We are now accepting **proposals for agenda** items for the **RC36 General Meeting** to be held in March (date to be confirmed). Please [write to us](#) with the points you would like to see included on the agenda.

Opportunities

- [PhD Position: Groups, Social Influence, and the Spread of Attitudes & Behaviors, at MASARYK UNIVERSITY, Brno, Czech Republic](#) - Deadline: 15 March 2026
- [Postdoctoral Researcher to join the ERC-funded project DISEQUAL, Sciences Po, Paris](#) - Deadline: 8 February 2026
- [Assistant or Associate Professor of Sociology, at Texas A&M International University, Laredo, Texas](#) - Deadline: open until position is filled
- [Fully Funded PhD Positions in Social Sciences, Humanities & Cultural Studies, University of Vienna, Doctoral Recruitment Call 2026](#) - Deadline March 2, 2026 at 14:00 GMT

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