Call for Papers

RC06-VSA International Conference
The Family in Modern and Global Societies: Persistence and Change
Hanoi, October 17-19, 2019

Families have been changing recently in response to fast changing economic, demographic, technological, cultural, and policy conditions. Changes can be observed in all aspects of family life, and in all societies of the globalized world. A few examples of the changes in family life include: adolescents spend more time on education and activities outside the family and spend less time with parents; age at puberty and age at first sexual experience tend to decrease while age at first marriage increases; premarital sex is becoming acceptable; new forms of union, such as cohabitation, same-sex marriages and single-parent families are increasingly acceptable; separations/divorces and remarriages are increasing; low fertility and childlessness are more common; more children now live in single-parent and remarried families; gender roles in the family are changing, etc. In Asia and especially in Vietnam, dynamic economic development accompanied by intense internal and international migration and a
rapid process of globalization have made these changes fast and dramatic. In addition, the ‘cyberworld’ of the 4th industrial revolution can be superimposed on the physical world; together they are making the family life of each individual more complex and difficult to anticipate.

In the context of the family changes that are occurring in all corners of the world, the Vietnam Sociological Association (VSA) in collaboration with national partners and the ISA Research Committee of Family (RC06) are organizing an international conference on family issues in the contemporary context. The conference aims to be a forum for researchers, practitioners, and policy makers from various societies to share and discuss their findings and experiences concerning family changes in the current modernization and globalization processes.

We call for papers on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Conceptual and methodological approaches to study family changes
- Marriage and non-traditional unions
- Non-normative families
- Gender relations and changes in the family
- Migration and its impacts on family relationships
  - Intergenerational relations in the family
  - Cross cultural families
  - Ageing and elder care
  - Divorce, remarriage, and widowhood
- Single-parent families
- Family transitions and well-being of children and adults
- Gender preference for children
- Balancing work and family in the global age
- Family influences on educational and occupational attainment
- Kin interactions
- State, market, community and the family
- Policy responses to family changes
- Media/Internet and the family
- Religion and the family
- Ethnic minority families
Language: English

Keynote speakers:
1) Charles Hirschman
Professor Emeritus, Department of Sociology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA
Elected President of the Population Association of American, 2005
Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences
Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science

2) Emiko Ochiai
Professor, Graduate School of Letters, Kyoto University, Japan
Director, Asian Research Center for the Intimate and Public Spheres (ARCIP)
Director, Kyoto University Asian Studies Unit (KUASU)
Member of Science Council of Japan

Important Dates

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<td><strong>OPTIONAL:</strong> Full paper due for review (no more than 6,500 words including notes and references)</td>
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Submission:

All abstracts and optional full papers must be submitted to vsa.paper@gmail.com

In addition to a content of abstract/full paper, your submission should contain detailed contact information (in Word):
Registration Fee

The Hanoi RC06-VSA Conference Registration Fee's quoted below includes:

- Complimentary drink at the pre-Conference registration
- Entrance to all sessions of the Conference
- Refreshments on both days of the Conference
- A place at the Conference reception dinner
- An electronic copy of the Conference proceedings
- Associated Conference materials.

Based on economic development levels of the nationality (http://www.isa-sociology.org/en/membership/table-of-economies-by-category/)

_Early bird registration:_ A: $130; B: $80; C: $50
_Final deadline registration:_ A: $150; B: $100; C: $55

**Group Discounts:**

We offer a group discount of 20% off the registration fee for 3-5 participants and 25% off for 6 or more participants. All participants must register together and only one invoice/receipt will be issued. These discounts cannot be combined with any other discounted rates.

_Students (Ph.D., MA, BA/BS):_ A: $50; B: $40; C: $30

**Hanoi RC06-VSA Conference Local Committee Members**

The Hanoi RC06-VSA Conference Committee consists of key individuals from Vietnam organizations that relate directly to Conference preparation:

Nguyen Huu Minh (minhngaanh@yahoo.com)
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Nguyen Dinh Tan
Nguyen Thi Hong Xoan
Vu Manh Loi
Hoang Ba Thinh
Le Thanh Sang
Nguyen Duc Vinh  
Tran Thi Minh Thi  
Dao Van Truong  
Nguyen Thi Thuy Linh  
Tran Nguyet Minh Thu

**Venue:**  
Hanoi Capital City. Specific Venue will be announced later

**Lodging options:** *(TBA later)*  
- Address, Tel.  
- Distance to Venue location  
- Price  
- Website

**SOME OTHER INFORMATION**

**VISA information**  
Visitors to Hanoi must hold a valid passport and may require a visa. We recommend that you check with your nearest Vietnam Embassy.

Please note that we are not able to arrange visas, but once you have completed the registration and paid in full, we can provide an invitation letter to attend the conference. Please read our [Visa Information Page](#) *(TBA later).*

**How to Pay** *(TBA later)*

**Cancellations**  
1. If a registrant is unable to attend conference for any reason they may substitute, by arrangement with the registrar, someone else to attend in their place.  
2. Where the registrant is unable to attend, and is not in a position to transfer his/her place to another person, then the following refund arrangements apply:
   - Registrations cancelled as a result of a paper not being accepted are eligible for an 80% refund of the registration fees paid. The remaining 20% of the fee contributes to administration costs incurred.  
   - Registrations cancelled more than 35 days before the event are eligible for an 80% refund of the registration fees paid.  
   - Registrations cancelled less than 35 days, but more than 10 days before the event are eligible for a 50% refund of the registration fees paid.
• Registrations cancelled less than 10 days before the event are no longer eligible for a refund.

**Refunds will be made in the following ways: (TBA later)**

**Conference proceedings**

Conference proceedings are supplied electronically to participants.

**Submission Information**

The Submission Information page describes how to submit your work to this conference. It provides information to help you through the process from abstract submission to preparing your presentation at the conference.

**Important Information**

• The selection panel of the conference committee will consider all abstracts received by the published deadline to ensure that the proposed submission is relevant to the Conference.
  • Abstract selection notifications will be sent out to relevant authors.
  • All papers will be double-blind peer reviewed by members of the conference committee to ensure an adequate standard, that the proposed subject of the submitted abstract has been followed, that the paper is of a suitable length, the standard of English is adequate and the paper is appropriately referenced.
  • Papers that are accepted will be published in the conference proceedings providing at least one author completes registration (including payment). see the registration section of the conference website for more information about registration.
  • If multiple papers are accepted for publication and presentation by the same author, each paper requires a registration fee to be included in the proceedings.

**Submission abstract and paper guidelines**

Papers should address one of the topics listed in the call for papers and can describe a wide range of research including empirical or theoretical studies. In addition, philosophical papers presenting an argument and papers presenting a process that has been developed and is now ready for wider use are welcome. In all cases concepts and underlying principles should be emphasized, with enough background information to orient any reader who is not a specialist in the particular subject area original. The work should not have been published elsewhere and should not be intended to be published elsewhere during the review period.

**Submitting an Abstract**
Abstracts should be 200-300 words. The abstract submission form will guide you through the process. Abstract should include the title (no too long); a clear statement of the topic of your paper and your research question; methodology; key findings. About between 5 and 7 Key Words are normally required.

**Submitting a Paper**

Below is a summary of what you need to consider when submitting your full paper. Papers not conforming to the conference style will be returned.

- Papers must not exceed 6,500 words in length, including abstract, figures, references and appendices. Files should not exceed 3MB in size.
- References should follow the Harvard referencing style, which means that primary references in the text should be in the format (Nugus 1999) and should then be listed at the end of the paper as per the following examples:
- Before submitting your paper, please ensure that it has been carefully read for typographical and grammatical errors.
- Papers should be submitted as a .doc or .rtf attachment by email to the conference manager and should not be zipped or in PDF format. This is the person who sent you the email accepting your abstract. The email address is also given on the conference call for papers.

**Presentation Guidelines**

If you have had a paper accepted, you are expected to give a 20 minute presentation of your work, with a further 10 minutes allowed for discussion. There will be a computer with PowerPoint and Adobe available for you. You will probably wish to prepare some PowerPoint slides to support your presentation. Prepare your slides as a PowerPoint file or a PDF and bring them with you to the conference. We strongly suggest that you restrict the number of slides in your presentation to 10 or fewer. You will need to load your presentation onto the computer before your stream, to facilitate a smooth transition between speakers. We recommend that you also bring your presentation on a data stick or other portable memory device. You will not generally be able to plug your own laptop into the conference projection system. If you require special technology for your presentation please email vsa.paper@gmail.com as soon as you can and we will do our best to help you.