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Conclusion of Prof. Annamaria de Rosa's Fulbright Stage at the University of California, Irvine

The Scientific Coordinator of the European/International PhD on Social Representations and Communication, Prof. Annamaria de Rosa de Rosa, has just concluded her 5-months (August-January 2012) Fulbright stage in the US at the University of California, Irvine (UCI) as host Institution, aimed at supporting fruitful educational exchanges with US colleagues and Institutions interested in doctoral education and its internationalisation.

The main outcomes of the project "The Joint International Doctorate: a strategic tool for enhancing EU-US institutional collaboration on research training in a worldwide network-based knowledge society" are:

- 1) sharing expertise in the internationalisation of doctoral education, presenting the experience accumulated in designing, implementing, developing, monitoring and managing the European Doctorate on Social Representations and Communication, with dissemination impact during formal and informal meetings at UCI with several colleagues and their doctoral students in various disciplinary areas (mainly from social psychology and social sciences, but also from neuroscience and medical schools) and at the top institutional level with the Deans of Graduates Division not only at UCI, but also in other Universities in California, such as University of California (Los Angeles and San Diego) and in New York.
- 2) A special seminar has been organized at the Graduate Center of CUNY-City University of New York entitled "The Joint International Doctorate: a strategic tool for enhancing institutional collaboration on research training in a worldwide network-based knowledge Society. Opening the European PhD on Social Representations and Communication and So.Re.Com.THEmaticNETwork to US collaboration". Annamaria de Rosa has been invited by prof. Michele Fine and Gina Philogene, who also organized an informal dinner-meeting with many students from Sarah Laurence College and other colleagues from CUNY.
- 3) The intention to cooperate activating student and professor exchanges for research training activities in areas of mutual scientific interest has been formalized by a letter of intent signed by CUNY to participate to the new FP7-PEPOLE-2012-ITN proposal "SoReComJointIDP". On the behalf of the European PhD network, his coordinator thanks again both prof. Michelle Fine and Gina Philogene for having arranged such an interesting initiative to improve mutual knowledge and promote co-operation between the doctoral programs active at CUNY and the European/International PhD on Social Representations and Communication.
- 4) During the visit at CUNY in New York a meeting was held with Charles Smith to discuss his participation in the 18th Edition of the European PhD on S.R. & C. International Summer School with the agreement of an online participation via European PhD web-auditorium for the lecture "Understanding the Mind of the Market: Survival and Success in Wall Street. Markets as Definitional Practice".

Submission of two symposium for the 11° ICSR of Evora

The scientific coordinator of the European PhD on S.R. & C. Annamaria de Rosa has submitted two symposia for the forthcoming 11th International Conference on Social Representations, to be held in Evora on the 25-28 June. The first symposium will deal with the issue of **Social Representations**, **Economics and Finance**, fully dedicated to the different research lines of the wide research program carried out in Europe and China on "**Social Representations of the stock market: heterogeneous agents, financial advisors, investors and media**". The second symposium will be dedicated to other research programs on different thematic areas activated at the **European PhD Research Centre and Multimedia Lab:** an incubator for new generations of young researchers : a) the Psychoanalysis in the era of Facebook; b) the social Representations of current, future and ideal family; c) the Social Representations of European capitals; d) Social Representations and active movements, like Anti-Wall Street and No-Tav.

These symposia will involve research assistants Elena Bocci and Marialibera d'Ambrosio, as well as a wide group of European PhD doctoral students from different countries and continents (Europe and China), engaged in these research programs: Stefania Aiello (Italy), Matteo Antonini (Italy), Clio Bulgarella (Italy), Laura Dryjanska (Poland), Emanuel Fino (Italy), Emilia Pascal (Romania), Siyu Sun (China), Haoxing Wang (China).

Other European PhD young research trainees will actively contribute to other thematic sessions.



Submission of FP7-PEOPLE-ITN project SoReComJointIDP

On 11th January 2012 the European PhD Coordinator has submitted the project "*The European Joint Doctorate* on Social Representations and Communication: an innovative doctoral program in a networked international research training environment" within the FP7-PEOPLE-ITN programme. Below the project's abstract:

"Built on the experience of both the European PhD on Social Representations and Communication, awarding a recognised joint degree since 1996 (http://www.europhd.eu), and the EU approved So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETwork, this international joint doctoral programme includes 11 universities, 2 private companies and 1 public research institute in 8 European countries (AT, CH, CZ, ES, FR, IT, RO, SE), and 5 universities in United States, Canada, Brazil, Argentina and China. The goal is to provide doctoral training in Social Representations and Communication, a supra-disciplinary research area of the social sciences that studies the social construction of everyday knowledge in social spheres and media, disseminating European excellence beyond the EU boundaries and attracting the best ESR from abroad. Structured into trans-national teams by common research area and complementary multi-methodological approaches, this SoReComJointIDP guarantees a well-tested training structure including: a) an innovative integrated physical and virtual campus, where world-class academic scientists, internationally recognised experts, experienced researchers and ESR cooperate face-to- face and online "for" and "by" research; b) multiple supervision via tutoring and co-tutoring by at least three tutors in different countries; c) individual mobility for ESR at research centres for secondments; d) collective international mobility of trainees and teaching staff during International Summer Schools and Lab meetings; e) learning by doing (including transferable skills) in academic and non academic settings; f) worldwide access to common web platform, as tool for documentation, networking, training and monitoring trainees' progress; g) high tech infrastructure and lab facilities; h) quality evaluation system; i) officialisation of the joint degree; l) active integration in the world-wide SoReCom THEmatic NETwork; m) enhancement of career prospects both in and outside academia."

Prêmio Dissertação e Tese Serge Moscovici

The <u>Centro Internacional de Pesquisa em</u> <u>Representações e Psicologia Social "Serge</u> <u>Moscovici</u>" has established an annual prize <u>Prêmio Dissertação e Tese "Serge Moscovici</u> to reward the best dissertation and the best thesis of the year in the field of social psychology, with a particular focus on Social Representations.



The prize, both for dissertation & thesis, consists in:

- A certificate of honor to the winner of the award
- 2) The publication of the dissertation/thesis as a digital book
- 3) A certificate to the tutor of the dissertation/thesis
- 4) A certificate to eventual co-tutors

Further information on the conditions of participation is available at the following <u>link</u>

European PhD on S.R. & C. Institutional News



European Ph.D. on Social Representations and Communication

We are pleased to announce that the European PhD on S.R. & C. has submitted to the Sapienza Doctoral Evaluation Committee by 31st January its proposal of renewal for the a.y. 2012/2013.

We seize the opportunity to thank all our partners who have sent updated information about their scientific productivity, as well as our research trainees who have sent updated information about their scientific and training activities, which are part of Sapienza Doctoral Evaluation Committee's evaluation criteria.

We are also pleased to announce to have achieved an institutional updating in the European PhD on S.R. & C. network, needed due to the transfer of our scientific representative partner in Portugal from the **Instituto Politécnico de Lisboa** to the **Universidade Lusófona de Humanidades e Tecnologias.** Prof. Jorge Correa Jesuino, who has been one of the most active members in founding the *European PhD on Social Representation and Communication,* is the representative partner for this Institution.



The 2012 Edition of the International Summer Schools will be held in Rome on the 08th - 19th of July. It will be focused on "Social Representations of Economics and Finance", a topic which is highly relevant from the societal perspective and of great actuality.

- We are glad to announce that among the invited professors, who have already confirmed their participation are: from North America: Charles Smith (City University of New York, USA) and Lilian Negura (University of Ottawa, Canada);
- from Europe: Erich Kirchler (University of Vienna, Austria), Nikos Kalampalikis (Université de Lyon 2, France), Annamaria de Rosa (Sapienza University, Italy);
- from Asia: Guan Jian (University of Nankai, China).

As in the previous events, the 18th edition of the International Summer School will integrate face-to-face and on-line communication. Therefore, in addition to the restricted number of the participants who will attend physically the event, the participation of other selected applicants will be possible from any worldwide location via an interactive web-conference system (a specific basic and advanced training will be offered at the beginning of the event).

The International Summer School will also include:

- 1. INTENSIVE GROUP WORKING SESSIONS on participants' research projects, with individual presentations, monitoring and feedback's given by professors and discussion;
- INTERVIEWS FOR SELECTING NEW CANDIDATES for the European Ph.D. on S.R. & C. reserved to the applicants for the a.y. 2012-13 by the European PhD Recruitment Board.;
- 3. THESIS DEFENSE SESSION for the European Ph.D. candidates in front of the International Final Jury

The EC approved project will allow us to fund the physical participation in Rome of 20 candidates. In order to be eligible, the participants:

- must be registered in one of the <u>participating institutions</u>
- v in LLP or nationals of other countries, provided that they are either permanent shall be a national of a 2. residents according to national legislation, or registered as stateless persons or hold refugee status in a country participating in the programme

The candidates who do not fulfill these eligibility criteria can still be admitted to participate upon the payment of the scientific participation fee that amounts to 1000 Euro (which includes the online participation through the Web-Auditorium, but does not include travel, accommodation, and living expenses) as soon they receive the letter of acceptance. The deadline and method of payment will be communicated with the letter of acceptance

Priority will be given to the European PhD research trainees eligible to get funds on this contract, as well as to candidates who will apply for the a.y. 2012-2013 European PhD on Social Representations and who will be admitted to the interview with the European PhD Recruitment Board for their final admission during the Summer School.

In addition, in accordance with the contractual agreements, we will admit a restricted number of participants as self-paying or supported by their own partner Universities.

Detailed information about the 2012 International Summer School, the eligibility criteria for funding and the online application form are available on the European Ph.D. Web site:





11th International Conference on Social Representations 25th – 28th June 2012, Evora (Portugal)

Following the great success of the ten International Conferences on Social Representations (ICSR) held until now, we are pleased to announce that the next 11th ICSR will be organised in Portugal by the University of Evora, from the 25th until the 28th June 2012. The conference's Honorary President is Prof. Jorge Correia Jesuino.

We are pleased to announce that the on-line registration for the 11th ICSR is now open:

http://www.cirs2012.uevora.pt/



All So.Re.Com.THEmatic NETwork partners are kindly invited to post information concerning editorial news, launching of new projects, call for partnerships and events of general interest to the participants in the European Ph.D. programme and the wider So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETwork scientific community. Please send the information you wish to disseminate via the So.Re.Com.THE.NET. @-NEWS and the on-line So.Re.Com.THE.NET. Event Agenda to: annamaria.derosa@uniroma1.it European Ph.D. on S.R. & C. Research Centre and Multimedia Lab Plazza d'Ara Coeli, 1 - 00186 Rome - ITALY