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A half century of social representations – what next?



The London School of Economics, with the support and generosity of the STICERD (Suntory and Toyota International Centres for Economics and Related Disciplines, a funding body based at LSE), has organised a very special 'invitation-only' event entitled: **"A half century of social representations – what next?"**, dedicated to debate the future of research in the field of Social Representations.

The conference was held at the LSE in central London from 22-23 March 2012. These two days were structured by group discussions, with presentations from the authors and commentators of the special anniversary issue of the review [Papers on Social Representations](#). These were very brief presentations on the papers accepted in this special issue entitled **"A half century of social representations"** and edited by Paula Castro, Nikos Kalampalikis and Caroline, with the majority of each session devoted to panel discussion and audience involvement.

The event saw the participation of key leaders in the field, young researchers and doctoral students, including among others Agnes Allandottir, Adrian Bangerter, Martin Bauer, Sara Belton, Raquel Bertoldo, Rochelle Burgess, Dijana Cakaric, Felice Carugati, Paula Castro, Jean-Francois Chartier, Xenia Chrysoschoou, Alain Clémence, Flora Cornish, Martha de Alba, Guida De Abreu, Annamaria de Rosa, Willem Doise, Emmilie Eveling, Uwe Flick, Juliet Foster, George Gaskell, Vlad Glaveanu, Caroline Howarth, Nikos Kalampalikis, Jorge Jesuino, Denise Jodelet, Helene Joffe, Sandra Jovchelovitch, Saadi Lahlou, Ivana Marková, Carla Mauro, Jacqueline Priego-Hernandez, Claudine Provencher, Gordon Sammut, Ragini Sen, Toshio Sugiman, Joaquim Valentim, Wolfgang Wagner, Tania Zittoun.

IIIº Cycle of seminars 2012 of LACCOS



The LACCOS (Laboratório de Psicologia Social da Comunicação e Cognição) is organizing its IIIº cycle of seminars for the first semester 2012. All the foreseen activities are exposed in the attached chart. Further information is also available on the [LACCOS website](#).

Data	Tema	Apresentador
30/03	Aspectos analíticos e operacionais dos programas informáticos: ALCESTE e SPAD.	Brigido Vizeu Camargo e Ana Maria Justo
27/04	Crítica e alternativa à abordagem estrutural: Perspectiva estrutural normativa do conhecimento social.	João Rech Wachelke
	Representações sociais da água.	Gislei Mocelin Polli
25/05	A representação discursiva das identidades do gênero em transição nos contextos institucionais.	Alexander Hochdorn
	Estudos sobre representações sociais do corpo.	Ana Maria Justo, Catarina Alves e Brigido Vizeu Camargo
22/06	Envelhecimento e espiritualidade: um estudo sobre representações sociais de idosos.	Luiza Gutz
	O cuidado do idoso: Representações e práticas sociais.	Annie Brito



**European PhD on Social Representations and Communications: Announcement for the a.y. 2012-2013
DEADLINE: 15th May 2012**



It is with great pleasure that we inform that the [announcement for a.y. 2012-2013](#) of the European PhD on Social Representations and Communication is now available on our website. [The deadline for submitting the on-line application \(www.europhd.eu/Registration\) is 15th May 2012.](#) The So.Re.Com THEMatic NETwork partners and colleagues interested in the scientific field are kindly invited to disseminate this announcement among the potential applicants and invite their best students to apply.

The European PhD on Social Representations and Communication represents a progressive educational curriculum for training early stage researchers through research in a scientific and paradigmatic field inspired by the Social Representations Theory and Communication studies. Although having a special focus on Social Psychology and media studies, it draws in a wide scientific community across continents and many disciplines dealing with social sciences and it has created a Thematic Network of Excellence approved by the European Commission (<http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComTHEMaticNETwork>)

The European PhD, coordinated by Sapienza University of Rome, includes 17 universities in 9 European countries (AT, CH, CZ, ES, FR, IT, PT, RO, UK) 5 universities in North America (Canada), Latin America (Argentina, Brazil) and Asia (China), 1 French National Research Institute, 1 social sciences foundation (Maison des Sciences de l'Homme) and 3 SMEs in 3 EU countries (IE, IT, SE). In its role as co-ordinator diplomas are issued by Sapienza University with the signature of the rectors/presidents of the six universities which jointly confer the degree: University of Rome Sapienza (ITALY), University of Aix-en-Provence, the University of Montpellier III "Paul Valéry" and University "Lumière" Lyon 2 (FRANCE), University A. I. Cuza of Iasi (ROMANIA), and Masaryk University, Brno (CZECH REPUBLIC).

The Research Trainees have then access to a large number of academic infrastructures and are followed by 1 main supervisor and 2 international co-tutors in at least 3 of the above mentioned countries. Moreover, at the European PhD Multimedia Lab and Research Centre in Rome they will participate in innovative scientific and didactic activities like the International Lab Meetings and Summer Schools using technologically advanced resources.



Editorial News

We are pleased to announce the publication of the book "[Societal Approaches in Social Psychology](#)", edited by Joaquim Valentim Pires (ISBN 978-3-0343-0455-9, publisher: Peter Lang International Academic Publishers).

This book deals with the «social side» of social psychology from diverse points of view. Several European authors analyse this topic from different theoretical and methodological perspectives. In particular, special attention is given to socio-historical frameworks, ideologies, and normative and cultural meaning systems in order to develop a psychosocial understanding of the phenomena under study. The work is composed of two parts. The first part, with five chapters, is centered on theoretical reflection, discussion and conceptual integration. The second part, with four chapters, focuses on specific empirical fields that illustrate paths by which research can express societal concerns for the study of social psychology in contemporary societies.

To this book have contributed: Jorge Correia Jesuino; Joaquim Pires Valentim; Willem Doise; Hilde Eileen Nafstad; Erik Carlquist; Rolv Mikkel Blakar; Christian Staerkle; Sertan Batur; Klaus Helkama; Stamos Papastamou; Gerasimos Prodromitis; Paulo Renato Lourenço; Isabel Dórdio Dimas.

The book can be ordered at the following link : <http://www.peterlang.com?430455>



18th European Ph.D. on Social Representation Summer School: "Social Representations of Economics and Finance"

08th-19th JULY 2012, Rome (Italy)
DEADLINE for the application: 31st May 2012



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), Radim Marada (Masaryk University, Czech Republic), 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;
2. 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:

1. must be registered in one of the [participating institutions](#)
2. shall be a national of a [participating country in LLP](#) or nationals of other countries, provided that they are either permanent residents according to national legislation, or registered as stateless persons or hold refugee status in a country participating in the programme

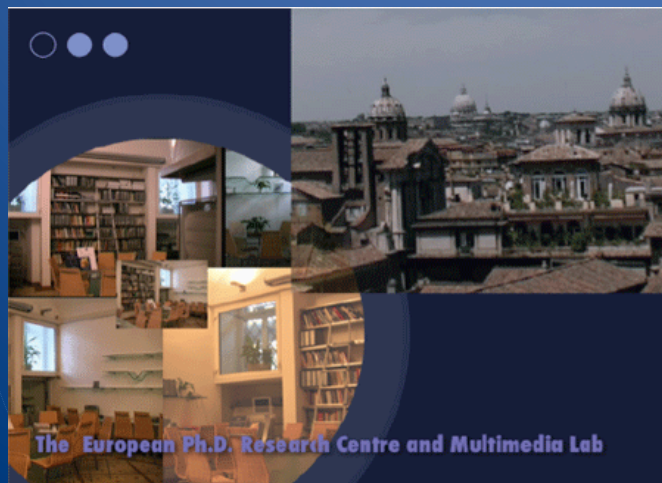
The candidates who do not fulfill these eligibility criteria can still be admitted to participate upon the payment of the scientific participation fee that amounts to 1000 Euro (which includes the online participation through the Web-Auditorium, but does not include travel, accommodation, and living 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.

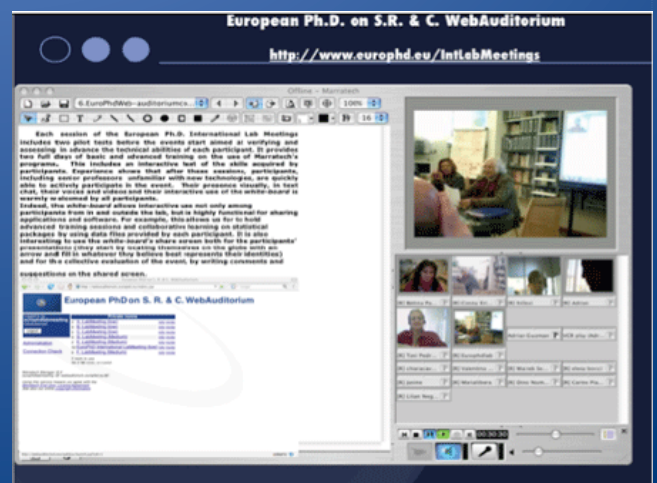
In addition, in accordance with the contractual agreements, we will admit a restricted number of participants as self-paying or supported by their own partner Universities.

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:

<http://www.europhd.eu/IntSummerSchools>



The European Ph.D. Research Centre and Multimedia Lab





**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.

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