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So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP: activity report for month 8 (May 2014)

As foreseen by the So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP timeline (http://www.europhd.eu/html/ onda01/10/05.01.00.00.shtml) the following activities have been realized and implemented during the month of May 2014:

- Dissemination of the project information through the SoReCom.THE.NET.@-NEWS
- 2. Development of the SoReCom "A.S. de Rosa" @-library and of the integrated community of the SoReCom Joint-IDP and of the SoReCom THEmatic NETwork
- 3. Implementation of the new web-videoconference system
- 4. Phase 2 of the ESR selection process: Interview with the applicants
- 5. Phase 3 of the ESR selection process: Final Evaluation by the Recruitment Board and **Communication of acceptance** to the 13 selected Early-Stage Researchers
- 6. Preparation of the *relocation in Rome* of the 13 ESRs: carrying out administrative issues such as VISA requests, issuance of a fiscal code for each ESR, information and guidance to find accommodation, etc.
- 7. Day-to-day management (correspondence with partners, website updates, potential applicants, etc.)







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European/International Joint PhD announcement for a.y. 2014-2015



The European/International Joint PhD in S.R. & C. informs that the <u>announcement for a.y. 2014-2015</u> is available on its website (http://www.europhd.eu/html/_onda01/04/08.00.00.00.shtml). The deadline for submitting application is 31st May 2014. SoR.Com THEmatic NETwork partners and colleagues are kindly invited to disseminate this announcement among the potential applicants and invite their best students to apply.

The European/International Joint PhD in S.R. & C. 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/International Joint PhD in S.R. & C. coordinated by Sapienza University of Rome, includes 17 universities in 9 European countries (AT, CH, CZ, ES, FR, IT, PT, RO, UK), 7 universities in North America (Canada, USA), Latin America (Argentine, Brazil, Mexico) 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), Universities Aix-Marseille, Montpellier III "Paul Valéry" and "Lumière" Lyon 2 (FRANCE), University A I. Cuza of lasi (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 tutor and 2 international co-tutors in at least 3 of the above mentioned countries. Moreover, at the European/International Joint 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.



We are pleased to announce that the European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication has submitted to the Italian Ministry for University and Research (MIUR) its accreditation request for the a.y. 2014/2015. The European/Joint International PhD has fulfilled all the following criteria set by the Italian Ministry for University and Research for the accreditation of doctoral programmes:

- 1. The European/International Joint PhD in S.R. & C. is a consortium of universities (among which at least one Italian university) that delivers a joint diploma
- 2. The doctorate's Scientific and Teaching Board scientific production for the last five years has been positively evaluated
- 3. Thanks to the recently approved PEOPLE-INT-2013 project the European/International Joint PhD has more than the minimum required 4 fellowships that must be made available yearly
- 4. Availability of a fully equipped multimedia laboratory
- 5. Availability of an adequate physical and virtual library

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 MIUR's evaluation criteria.







European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication Training Events 2014



International Summer School 2014 (Rome, It - July 13-19, 2014)
Genesis, development and actuality of the Social Representation theory
in more than fifty years (1961-2011 and beyond):
the main paradigms and the "modeling approach"

The 2014 Edition of the International Summer School will be held in Rome on the 13-19 of July. This will be the 20th edition of the International Summer School started in 1995 and the 1st training event of the So.Re.Com Joint-IDP program (http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComJointIDP).

It will be aimed at presenting a general introduction/presentation of the overall So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP project based on the empirical meta-theoretical analysis of the literature on Social Representations, in order to take a stock of the scientific field developed in more than 50 years by mapping the development of different paradigms, multiple constructs, the related various research methods (qualitative and quantitative, experimental and field oriented, multi-step data analysis strategies, etc.), the wide range of the thematic areas, and their impact on the various applied fields within the multi-generational community of scientists and across different geo-cultural contexts. Therefore the program includes **Key lecture** aimed at illustrating previously published results and presentation of the current status of the research program on the meta-theoretical analysis of the Social Representation theory.

The International Summer School will also include:

- 1. INTENSIVE GROUP WORKING SESSIONS on participants' research projects, including:
 - Questions, Answers and Group discussion of the ESR and other European/ International Joint PhD trainees with project leader (Annamaria de Rosa) and invited speakers from academic and non academic sectors: Brigido Camargo (UFSC, Brazil), Gina Philogene (CUNY, USA), Sylvain Lassare, Sonia Adelé (IFSTTAR, France), Andrei Holman (Iasi, Romania), Elena Bocci, Laura Dryjanska, Giovanna Leone, Bruno Mazzara, Paola Passafaro, Mauro Sarrica (Sapienza, Italy)
 - Active participation by the ESR individual presentations, presenting the matching of their prior knowledge and interests with the research project focuses offered in the So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP call, their multi-languages skills and the planned future secondment by optimising the complementary resources training across the network
 - @-learning activities: use of the Euro PhD web-auditorium, allowing connection with a wider number of participants or speakers selected/invited - even from outside the SoReCom Joint-IDP - to attend the event on-line via interactive video-web conference system
 - Training in complementary and transferable skills provided by the non-academic partners
 - Scientific networking
 - Monitoring quality control sessions
- 2. INTERVIEWS FOR SELECTING NEW CANDIDATES for the European/International Joint Ph.D. in S.R.
- & C. reserved to the applicants for the a.y. 2014-15 by the European PhD Recruitment Board.;
- **3. DISSERTATION DEFENCE SESSION** for the European/International Joint Ph.D. candidates in front of the International Final Jury

PARTICIPANTS:

- the research trainees enrolled in the European/International Ph.D. including the 13 Early Stage Researchers (E.S.R.) selected among the applicants to the call launched in October 2013 (http://www.europhd.eu/html/onda01/10/06.05.00.00.shtml - 31st March 2014)
- other applicants selected from any worldwide location for a face-to-face participation or via an interactive web-conference system

As in the previous events, the 20th edition of the International Summer School will integrate face-to-face and online communication. Therefore, in addition to the restricted number of the participants who will attend physically the event, other participants will be selected for on-line or face-to-face participation in the event. A specific basic and advanced training will be offered at the beginning of the event for the admitted on-line participants.

Detailed information about the 2014 International Summer School and APPLICATIONS FORM will soon be published on the European/International Joint Ph.D. in S.R. & C. Web site:







European/International Joint PhD in S.R. & C. Training Events 2014



24th International Lab Meeting: Spring Session 2014 12th May 2014, Rome (Italy)



The 2014 Spring Session of the International Lab Meeting dedicated to the topic "Environment facing societal challenges" was held in Rome on the 12 May 2014. The event involved some of the European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communications research trainees, post doc and full researchers, as well as other Sapienza University doctoral students in psychology and/or communication. The program of the 24th International Lab Meeting included:

Monday 12 May 2014:

- 1. 10.00 11.00 : Key lecture by Prof. Paula Castro (ISCTE of Lisbona, Portugal)
- 2. 11.00 11.30: Coffee break with informal exchanges between participants
- 3. 11.30 13.00: Presentations by
 - a. prof. Annamaria de Rosa, Elena Bocci and Laura Dryjanska (Sapienza University, Italy)
 - b. prof. Mauro Sarrica (Sapienza University, Italy)
 - c. prof. Giovanna Leone (Sapienza University, Italy)
 - d. prof. Paola Passafaro (Sapienza University, Italy)

Information about the event and and the didactic-scientific materials are available at :

http://www.europhd.eu/html/ onda02/07/26.01.00.00.shtml



Editorial News

We are pleased to announce the publication of the book co-authored by Prof. Charis Psaltis and Dr. Anna Zapiti entitled "Interaction, Communication and Development: Psychological development as a social process" under the series "Cultural Dynamics of Social Representation" (ISBN: 9780415643870).

For decades there has been considerable interest in the ways that interactions between children can provide a beneficial context for the study of cognitive and social development. In this book Psaltis and Zapiti use both theoretical and empirical research to build on the perspectives of Piaget, Vygotsky, Moscovici, and others including the legacy of Gerard Duveen, to offer a state of the art account of research on the themes of social interaction and cognitive development. *Interaction Communication and Development* discusses the

significance of social identities for social interaction and cognitive development. The empirical set of studies presented and discussed focus on patterns of communication between children as they work together to solve problems. Communications are examined in detail with a focus on:

- Socio-cognitive conflict, conversational moves and conversation types
- The way the different forms of the interactions relate to different sources of asymmetry in the classroom
- · The way social representations and social identities of gender are negotiated in the interaction

This book provides an important account of how children develop through different kinds of social interactions. It will have considerable appeal for researchers in the fields of developmental psychology, social representations theory and education who wish to gain a deeper understanding of development and its relation to socio-cultural processes.







Upcoming International Conferences and International Visiting Exchanges

12th International Conference on Social Representations *The contemporaneity Challenges*São Paulo (Brazil), July 20 – 23, 2014

Following the great success of the eleven International Conferences on Social Representations (ICSR) held until now, we are pleased to announce that the next 12th ICSR will be organised in Brazil by the Centro Internacional de Estudos em Representações Sociais e Subjetividade – Educação and by the Fundação Carlos Chagas.

The conference will be held in São Paulo from the 20th until the 23rd July 2014.

Further information about the event is available on the website:

http://cirs2014.fcc.org.br/

