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So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP Institutional News







So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP: activity report for month 20 (May 2015)

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 2015:

- 1. 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
- 2. Early-Stage Researchers' **11th month** of activities
- 3. Definition and signature of the **individual career plans** of the Early Stage Researchers enrolled in the European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication
- SoReCom Joint-IDP Lab Seminar Food for mind and Methodological Training by Prof. Mieko Yoshihama from the University of Michigan School of Social Work: "Many Faces of Photo-Voice: Women's Experiences of the Great East Japan Disasters"
- 5. Dissemination of the project information by the Project Leader, Prof. Annamaria Silvana de Rosa invited among the speakers of a Session dedicated to Innovative Joint Doctorates at the international conference on "*Future of the doctorate*", organised by the European Commission and held in Riga (Latvia) on 28-29th May 2015
- 6. Dissemination of the project information through the *SoReCom.THE.NET.@-NEWS* and the dedicated web site <u>http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComJointIDP</u>
- 7. Day-to-day management (correspondence with partners, facilitating the early stage researcher's needs in preparation of their secondments, EC project officer, new potential applicants for the European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication a.y. 2015-16, renewal of the application on the CINECA, website updates)

The So.Re.Com Joint-IDP Activities







The So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP Early-Stage Researchers Activities – May 2015

In the month of May 2015, the Early Stage Researchers have continued their task of the **meta-theoretical analysis**, based on the Excel grids organized by research focus and individual separate folders with PDFs for each research focus. Moreover, as in the last month, some of the trainees have also dedicated their effort to a careful quality control of the data and meta-data that will be imported to the new platform of the **So.Re.Com.** "A.S.de Rosa" @-library. In particular, concerning the authors' institutions and countries, the specific database acquired last month has been taken as a steady point of reference in order to proceed in a synchronized way.

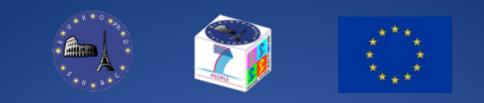
On May 19 and May 25, 2015 individual meetings of *Sapienza Supervisor Board* (Prof. de Rosa, Prof. Mazzara, Prof. Leone, Prof. Passafaro, Prof. Bocci, Prof. Sarrica and Dr Dryjanska) with each early stage researcher took place to discuss their career development plans. In accordance with the research objectives and the fellows' training needs within a 3-5 years horizon, these plans comprise a detailed list of the training activities and scientific events already attended (2014 International Summer School, 2015 Winter and Spring Sessions of the International Lab Meetings, the series of 2014-2015 Tuesday lab Seminars, other lab seminars and conferences attended at the host Institutions or outside, including training on transferable skills) and those planned until 2017. They also include plans for active participation in conferences (according to specific guidelines for conference attendance settled by Sapienza Supervisor Board in accordance with the Annex I of the SoReCom Joint-IDP and the MSCA Financial Guidelines). The individual meetings of each fellow with Sapienza Supervisor Board have been an occasion to discuss and to reach consensus on the priority outcomes to be achieved by the end of their contract and to develop mutual awareness about the project needs and the ESR's individual career prospects.

The 13 career development plans - signed both by each fellow and all member of Sapienza Supervisor Board - will be also sent for acknowledgment to the scientists in charge for the partner institutions which will host the ESRs during their secondment period and to all the non academic partners. They will provide feedbacks in a dedicated session organized in the occasion of the Supervisory Board meeting (on July 16) with the representatives of all partner institutions, the day before the Mid Term Meeting with the EC project officer and the external reviewer (on July 17).

For other activities carried out during May 2015 by the SoReCom Joint-IDP see next pages.



The So.Re.Com Joint-IDP Activities



The So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP Early-Stage Researchers Activities – May 2015

On May 25, 2015, SoReCom Joint-IDP Lab Seminar Food for mind and Methodological Training consisted of the presentation entitled "*Many Faces of PhotoVoice: Women's Experiences of the Great East Japan Disasters*" by Prof. Mieko Yoshihama, Ph.D., LMSW, ACSW from the University of Michigan School of Social Work, with the participation of the early stage researchers, the Project Leader, the Supervisory Board members, other PhD trainees (including distance virtual participation from the United States via Adobe Connect by Martina Di Loreto) and some Master students and post-doc researchers of the Sapienza University of Rome.

The seminar has stimulated great interest among the participants. Valorizing its complementary nature as regard as the lectures presented during the 2015 International Lab meeting Spring Session dedicated to the "Anthropological, Narrative, Ethnographic and Contextual Approaches to Social Representations" -Prof. Annamaria de Rosa has proposed to include also the contribution on Photo-Voice by MieKo Yoshihama in the editorial project aimed at publishing the several interesting and diversified contributions presented by the speakers invited for the 2015 Spring Session. Prof. Mieko Yoshihama enjoyed the lab atmosphere and expressed her interest to develop further networking opportunities and research collaboration.



SoReCom Joint-IDP Lab Seminar Food for mind and Methodological Training

Prof. Mieko Yoshihama, Ph.D., LMSW, ACSW University of Michigan School of Social Work

Many Faces of PhotoVoice: Women's Experiences of the Great East Japan Disasters



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Sapienza Supervisors Board: Elena Bocci, Annamaria de Rosa, Laura Dryjanska, Bruno Mazzara, Giovanna Leone, Paola Passafaro, Bruno Sarrica





European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication Training Events 2015

SoReCom Joint-IDP Lab Seminar (25th of May 2015) Food for mind and Methodological Training "Many Faces of Photo-Voice: Women's Experiences of the Great East Japan Disasters"



University of Michigan School of Social Work professor Mieko Yoshihama, Ph.D., LMSW, ACSW, directs the Photo-Voice Project (www.photovoicejapan.org), a participatory action research project in June 2011 following the Great East Japan Disasters in an effort to improve disaster response policies and practice. The project has grown since, and has obtained an NPO status from Tokyo-to last year.

Since 2011, over 50 women affected by the disasters have been taking photographs of their lives and meeting in small groups. Their photographs and "voices" -- messages they wish to convey -- have been displayed in various locations inside and outside Japan.







Dissemination of information about the project – May 2015

"Future of the doctorate" EC Conference

Riga (Latvia) , 28-29th May 2015

Doctoral training acts as a bridge between the world of higher education and research. It is one of the most advanced and specialized forms of training available at higher education institutions, and it is primarily based on original research and working at the frontier of knowledge.

There is lively discussion on the effectiveness, efficiency and purpose of the existing arrangements of doctoral training for the next generation of researchers. In particular, the debate concentrated on the following questions:

- What is the right balance between the creation of knowledge and wider economic and social objectives?
- What is the right balance between demand and supply of doctoral graduates?



- How to ensure that doctorates are fit for purpose in times of changing research environments and the decrease in permanent academic positions?
- How to balance the need for specialization with the need to acquire more general employability skills?
- What does this mean for national higher education systems?

These and many more issues have been debated at the international conference on '*Future of the doctorate*', organized by the European Commission and held in Riga on 28-29th May 2015.

For the detailed scientific Program and to download the presentations follow the link: https://future-doctorate.teamwork.fr/



"Future of the doctorate" EC Conference – 28-28th May 2015, Riga (Latvia)

Prof. Annamaria Silvana de Rosa attended as invited speaker the international conference on 'Future of the doctorate', presenting a contribution entitled "*The International/European Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication: a pioneering institutional experience of triple "I" (international, intersectoral, interdisciplinary).*"

This has been another fruitful occasion to share her expertise and experience gained in more than twenty years for having created and directed the first European/International Joint doctorate officially recognized by the Ministries and Universities in several countries and by the European Commission and to present the *European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication* as a pioneer case of the integration of the triple "i" transversal dimensions of the innovative doctoral training.

Combining the strength of its long-term top institutional history and the power of its capacity for innovation, currently this doctoral program represents a substantial development of a wellestablished European/International Joint Doctorate, formally recognised since 1993 within the triple framework of Universities, Ministries, the European Commission (DG-Research, DG-Education and Culture, R.E.A.) thanks to an impressive list of approved projects within the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Framework Programs, two ministerial calls of the Internationalisation of Higher Education System, the Vinci Program, and its accreditation process in various countries. Fully operational since 1996, over the years it has renewed itself and grown beyond the European and academic boundaries. Initially composed of an institutional network of 13 European Universities in 9 EU countries, subsequently other universities from Eastern and extra-EU countries were carefully selected on the basis of the excellence of their scientific production in the field of Social Representations and admitted as partners in the institutional network.

Prof. de Rosa's lecture has offered also the opportunity to reflect on the distinct models of the collaborative doctorate and the joint doctorate, to discuss the implications (from administrative, training and quality assessment perspectives) of adopting the distinct models of collaborative doctorates and the international joint doctorates, to disseminate information about the on-going **SoReCom-Joint IDP** and to learn about other joint doctorates activated much more recently under the Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate or MCSA-ITN EC programs.

The interest arisen by de Rosa's lecture and by the presentation of the *European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication* original "parchment" has been so vivid that many colleagues approached her at the end (even beyond the time for discussion) to ask questions and even permission to take photographs of the "joint diploma" signed by the Rectors belonging to eight Universities in five European Countries (Italy, France, Romania, Czech Republic and Spain) on behalf of a worldwide network led by Sapienza University (Italy) in 12 EU (AT, CH, CZ, FR, IT, NL, RO, ES, PT, SE, SK, UK) and 6 extra-EU countries from North America (U.S.A. and Canada) and Latin America (Argentina, Brazil, Mexico) to China including 25 universities, 1 French Research Institute IFSTTAR (a national research institute of science and technology for transport, development and network with intensive and extensive cooperation with the private sector), 2 SME in Sweden and in Italy in diversified sectors (information technologies, work and organisation, communication and marketing) and the multinational ELSEVIER in the strategic sector of publishing and science dissemination.



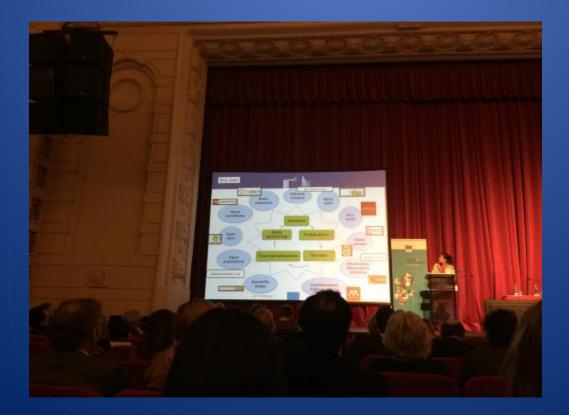
"The Future of the doctorate" EC Conference – 28-28th May 2015, Riga (Latvia)















European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication Upcoming Training Events 2015



General Mid-Term Meeting with all European and extra-EU associated partners and extra-academic partners (on Friday 17th July), following the Supervisory Board Meeting (on Thursday 16th July). At least one participant from each of the partner organisation have already confirmed their participation to attend the Mid-Term Audit Meeting for the evaluation of the contractual activities, that will be held immediately before the 2015 International Summer School at the presence of experts from the European Commission. All the ESR and two of our ALUMNI will actively participated in both Meetings.

The agenda of both meetings is available at the following link:

http://www.europhd.eu/html/_onda01/10/05.03.00.00.shtml

• 28th International Lab Meeting - 21st International Summer School 2015

Title: Mapping the impact and dissemination of the social representation theory across different geo-cultural contexts around the world: from Europe towards other continents

Location and Date: Rome (Piazza Cavalieri di Malta, 2) – Italy; 20th - 25th July 2015

Focus: The event will be aimed at presenting a general introduction/presentation of the overall So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP project with specific focus on the *impact and dissemination of the social representation theory around the world: from Europe to other continents.* The program includes Key lectures by scientists from the leading Institution and associated partners from different geo-cultural contexts: Europe, North America, Latino-America (Argentina, Brazil, Mexico), Asia (China).

The 2015 International Summer School will also include:

- ✓ Active participation by the ESR and other European/ International Joint PhD trainees by presenting the current status of the ongoing research projects
- ✓ @-learning activities: use of the Euro PhD web-auditorium, allowing connection with some speakers - even from outside the SoReCom Joint IDP - invited 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
- ✓ Dissertation defense by European PhD doctoral candidates enrolled in previous years in front of the European PhD International Evaluation Board (Final Jury)
- ✓ Final coordination of the activities to be undertaken during the secondment of each of the 13 ESR's

The detailed Program of the 2015 International Summer School has been published on the European/International Joint Ph.D. in S.R. & C. Web sites:

http://www.europhd.eu/IntSummerSchools



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European/International Joint PhD in Social Representations and Communication SAVE the DATES of the WHOLE SERIES of the SoReCom Joint-IDP 2014-2017 TRAINING EVENTS





So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP 10 scientific events foreseen by the contract from 2014 to 2017

EVENT	TITLE	DATE
2014 Int. summer School	Genesis, development and actuality of the Social Representation theory in more than fifty years (1961-2011 and beyond): the main paradigms and the <i>modelling approach</i>	13 th - 19 th July 2014
2015 Winter Lab Meeting	Training in the meta-theoretical analysis of the specialised literature on S.R. & Communication	25 th - 28 th January 2015
2015 Spring Lab Meeting	The "Anthropological", "Narrative", "Dialogical" and "Subjective" paradigmatic approaches to Social Representations	26 th - 29 th April 2015
2015 Int. summer School	Mapping the impact and dissemination of the social representation theory across different geo-cultural contexts around the world: from Europe towards other continents	18 th - 25 th July 2015
2016 Winter Lab Meeting	Training in the meta-theoretical analysis of the specialised literature on S.R. & Communication	24 th - 27 th January 2016
2016 Spring Lab Meeting	The "Structural" paradigmatic approach to Social Representations	17 th - 20 th April 2016
2016 Int. summer School	The "methodological polytheism in the Social Representations literature and its implication in the contemporary communication era: distinctiveness and dialogue between multiple research methods	17 th - 23 rd July 2016
2017 Winter Lab Meeting	Training in the meta-theoretical analysis of the specialised literature on S.R. & C.	29 th January - 1 st February 2017
2017 Spring Lab Meeting	The "Socio-Dynamic" paradigmatic approach to Social Representations	16 th - 19 th April 2017
2017 Int. summer School	Social Representations in the social arena faced with social demand: the impact of this supra-disciplinary research field on the wide range of societal issues investigated in the various thematic areas in multiple applied contexts	16 th – 22 nd July 2017

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SAVE DATES in your Agenda

PROFESSORS AND EXPERTS belonging to the So.Re.Com. Joint-IDP Partner Organisations from the Academic and Private Sectors are strongly invited to **SAVE THE ABOVE DATES IN THEIR AGENDA** to participate actively in the Training Scientific Events and in the coordination Meetings of the Supervisory Board.

POTENTIAL APPLICANTS interested in participating in one or more of the planned events are INVITED TO APPLY by sending an expression of interest and their CV to: annamaria.derosa@uniroma1.it