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Launch of Large-Scale wiki on Virtual Campuses



Re.ViCa stands for “Reviewing (traces of) European Virtual Campuses” and is an EC-supported project coordinated by the EuroPACE, one of the most active partners of our SoReCom THEmatic NETwork in the field of e-learning and distant education.

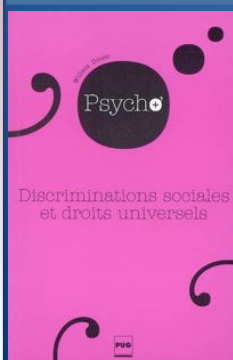
The project intends to make an inventory and to carry out a systematic review of Virtual Campus initiatives within higher education and aims to identify relevant parameters and success factors for evaluating and comparing Virtual Campuses, based on thorough research and expert input.

The results of the Re.ViCa research are published on a wiki which was officially launched and accessible to the public in June 2009. The Re.ViCa wiki is probably one of the largest repositories on the topic of Virtual Campus available today and contains information about interesting programmes, initiatives, projects and leading institutions as well as a rapidly growing series of country reports describing Virtual Campuses around the world.

The project will be completed in September 2009 with the publication of a *Virtual Campus Handbook* including guidelines, best practices and recommendations for decision makers, government, education authorities, e-learning industry, research community and Virtual Campus management.

More information? Visit the project website at: <http://revica.europace.org> and subscribe to the Re.ViCa newsletter. Or visit the wiki at <http://www.virtualcampuses.eu> to contribute, and become a member of our international group of experts.

Editorial News



It is with great pleasure that we announce the publication of Willem Doise's book entitled “*Discriminations sociales et droits universels - Itinéraires en psychologie sociale*” (2009), edited by Presses Universitaires de Grenoble within the editorial series “*La psychologie en plus*”.

In this book, the author describes how his works on intergroup relations and on human rights have found their origin within his own personal experiences.



European PhD on S.R. & C. 15th Edition of the International Summer School

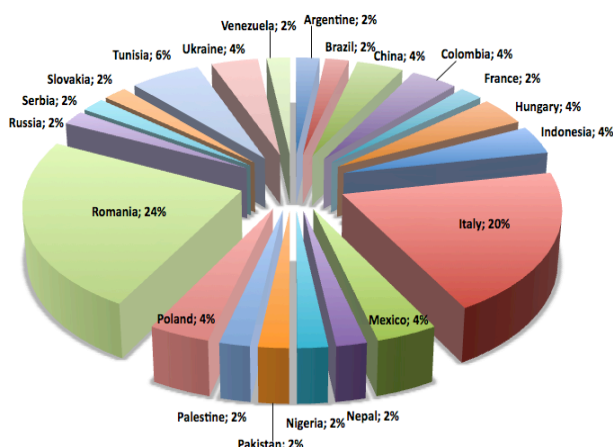
The 15th Edition of the International Summer School will be held from the 23rd to the 30th of August 2009 at the *European PhD on S.R. & C. Research Centre and Multimedia Lab* (Rome – Italy), in combination with worldwide on-line connection points via the interactive video-conference system European Ph.D. web Auditorium.

The event – organised by the European Ph.D. scientific coordinator Annamaria de Rosa - will be focussed on “*Cultural and cross-cultural approaches to social representations: the implications of the globalised/localised cultural scenarios*”. The invited lecturers from 7 countries Aleksandra Borkowska (Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Poland), Paszkal Kiss (Eotvos Lorand University, Hungary), James Liu (University of Wellington, New-Zealand), Dario Paez (University of Basque Country, Spain) and Jean-Marie Séca (Université de Versailles, France) have already confirmed their participation.

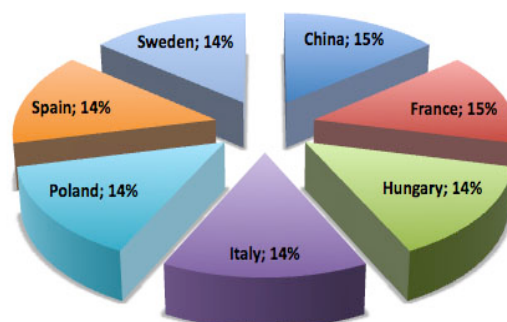
49 researchers from 21 worldwide countries (Argentina, Brazil, China, Colombia, France, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Tunisia, Ukraine and Venezuela) have been admitted to this 15th Edition of the European Ph.D. International Summer School. All information about the event can be found on the European PhD on S.R. & C. website at:

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

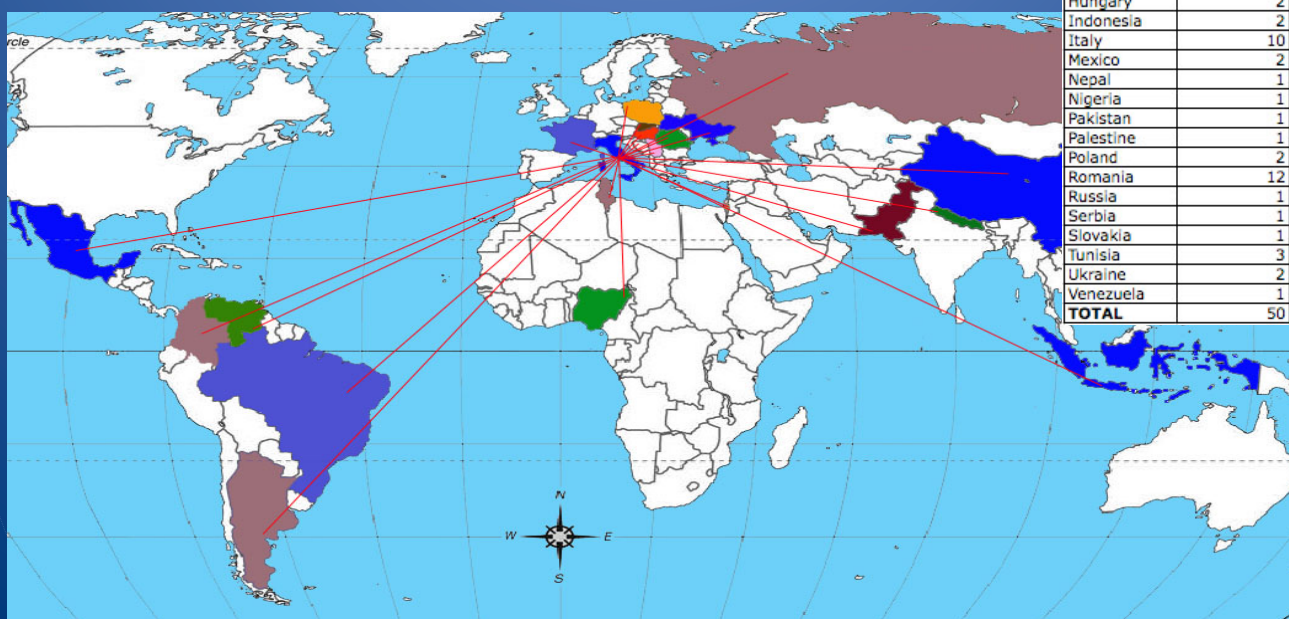
Participants to the 15th International Summer School according to Nationality



Teaching Staff in the 15th International Summer School according to Nationality



Country	Nbr.
Argentina	1
Brazil	1
China	2
Colombia	2
France	1
Hungary	2
Indonesia	2
Italy	10
Mexico	2
Nepal	1
Nigeria	1
Pakistan	1
Palestine	1
Poland	2
Romania	12
Russia	1
Serbia	1
Slovakia	1
Tunisia	3
Ukraine	2
Venezuela	1
TOTAL	50





Other Scientific Events organised by the So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETwork Partners



5 – 8 July 2010, Gammarth, Tunisia

« REPRESENTATIONS, TRANSMISSION DES SAVOIRS ET TRANSFORMATIONS SOCIALES »

In line with the tradition established since 1992 in Ravello (Italy), Tunisia will host the 10th International Conference on Social Representations on the **5-8 July 2010** in **Gammarth**. This conference aims at the presentation of the last works using the theory founded by Serge Moscovici (1961), as well as the theoretical and methodological reflexions aiming at the development of this theory. After Ravello (Italy) in 1992, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) in 1994, Aix-en-Provence (France) in 1996, Mexico City (Mexico) in 1998, Montréal (Canada) in 2000, Stirling (GB) in 2002, Guadalajara (Mexico) in 2004, Rome (Italy) in 2006 and Bali (Indonesia) in 2008, we are pleased to invite you to the 10th ICSR dedicated to the following theme: « **Representations, Knowledge Transmission and Social Transformations** ».

The theory of social representations means a change in the understanding of social behaviour and practices and represents a crossroads for the social sciences. Man does not only react to objective reality, but to a collective and socially reconstructed one. The social representations theory allows to understand the big contemporary societal questions such as the emergence of violence, discrimination, delinquency, sustainable development, unemployment, risk behaviour, mental health, HIV, the feeling of insecurity, etc. The theory also allows to understand why certain interventions toward change and prevention, and why certain campaigns for awareness-raising of information fail, despite the strategies deployed for it.

The scientific network on social representations is based on a large community of researchers and scholars from various fields of social sciences, coming from different countries and from all the continents (<http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComTHEmaticNETwork>). The bi-Annual International conferences on Social Representations were usually held in Europe and Latin America and – since its birth it is one of the main activities of the **So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETWORK**. After the 9th ICSR in Asia, it seemed important that Africa would welcome the 10th ICSR. It is in fact necessary to enlarge it to researchers from other continents.

The 10th ICSR will be hold in Gammarth, located on the seaside, 25 km from Tunis, allowing therefore to benefit from a pleasant workplace, but also from the beauty and historical interest of the surrounding area (Carthage, Sidi Bou Saïd, Marsa). As the network of social representations' network, Tunisia is historically and culturally rich and diversified.

For more information on contributions via Conferences, symposiums, workshops, thematic roundtables, free communication and poster, please contact **Dorra Ben Alaya**

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So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETWORK scientific community.

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