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RESEARCH NETWORK ON 'SOUTHERN EUROPEAN SOCIETIES' - RN27

CALL FOR PAPERS OF THE RESEARCH NETWORK 27

The RN27 organises sessions at ESA Conferences focusing on empirical, theoretical and conceptual aspects of research on the south of Europe. Participants are invited to discuss aspects of the social structure, the cultural dynamics and the institutional foundations of the region as a means to understand the current challenges and dilemmas of Southern European Societies.

We invite general contributions grounded in the theme of the ESA conference and its relation to Southern European Societies. Papers with comparative sociological approach and cross-national focus are especially encouraged, as well as specific studies at country and regional level that provide general implications. The sessions will be organised in several strands of research in order to encourage discussion and networking. Specific issues that can be addressed (not exclusively) are:

- RN27_a - Regional Network Southern European Societies (Open Session)
- RN27_b - The impact of crisis
- RN27_c - Gender
- RN27_d - Migration and refugee flows
- RN27_e - Work and education
- RN27_f - Social policy and social welfare
- RN27_g - Social activism and participatory democracy
- RN27_h - Legal and social institutions
- RN27_i - The divide between North and South and the future of the EU
- RN27_j - The production of sociological knowledge for informing policy making in Southern European regions and countries, in addition to other major societal problems
- RN27_k - Education
- RN27_l - Culture and Arts

Joint Sessions

JS_RN20_RN27: "Decolonizing social research: practices and reflections on the democratization of social research" (Joint session with RN20 Qualitative Methods)

JS_RN27_RS15: "Inequalities in the process of European Integration" (Joint session with RS15 Sociology of Law)

Key dates

Abstract submission: Deadline Extended **15st of February**

Participant registration will open in Spring 2019 after notification of abstract acceptance.

Abstracts

Abstracts should not exceed 250 words. The ESA Conference does not collect full papers.

Each participant can submit and present one paper as first author. The submitting author will be considered the presenting author. All submitting/presenting authors can be second author of one more paper.

Abstracts should be submitted through <https://www.conftool.pro/esa2019/> and select the RN27

General web page: <https://www.europeansociology.org/conferences/esa-conference-2019-manchester-uk>

Membership

The ESA membership is not mandatory (except for RN coordinators, board members and session chairs). Note that ESA members benefit from reduced conference fees!

We encourage you to be member to the RN27 “Southern European Societies”. When getting or renewing your ESA membership, click on the RN27 (it is just 10 additional euros to ESA membership).

Remember that members of the RN27 can attend and vote at the business meeting, participate in the board, chair sessions and get discounts at both ESA conferences and mid-term conferences of the RN27 “Southern European Societies” organized every two years.

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About the RN 27

The ESA RN27 – Regional Research Network on Southern European Societies is one of the research networks of the European Sociological Association. By organizing regular meetings, publications and research training the ESA RN27 brings together research experience and critical views of the different ways in which research is being conducted, along with perspectives concerning social trends and socio-politics operating in southern Europe. The aim of the network is to facilitate sociological research and to promote cooperation between sociologists and other social scientists interested in the region. The ESA RN27 welcomes the participation of researches from neighbouring countries working on common social issues, especially from the Mediterranean area, the Middle East and others regions of Europe.

The ESA RN27 organizes a mid-term conference every two years. See the latest mid-term conference in Catania at: <http://www.esarn27catania.info/>

Web site of the ESA RN27: <https://www.europeansociology.org/research-networks/rn27-regional-network-southern-european-societies>