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1. IPSA World Congress 2016

- Istanbul (Turkey) – July 2016

From July 23rd to 28th 2016, the International Political Science Association (IPSA) will hold its World Congress in Istanbul (Turkey) under the theme "Politics in a World of Inequality”. After previous very successful IPSA meetings in Madrid (2012) and Montreal (2014), Research Committee 21 on Political Education and Socialization will again be present at the next World Conference in Istanbul, 2016.

A call for paper and panel submission has been launched. We invite all of our members and sympathizers to submit a (closed) panel and/or an abstract for a paper proposal. Anyone can submit an abstract. Participants do not need to be a member of IPSA. In order to submit an abstract, however, participants must have a free IPSA website account. To obtain an (free) account, simply go to the IPSA website and sign up.

As a RC of IPSA we are aloud to organize up to 10 panels if we want (with a minimum of two panels). The possibility to organize open panels has already passed, but now is the time to submit closed panels:

- Closed panel = Closed for paper submissions to the general public (submissions by invitation only). Pre-organized and complete panel that already has an appointed chair, co-chair, discussant(s) and 4-6 papers. The panel convenor (proposer) will be responsible for sending invitations to the authors (presenters) and accepting all paper abstracts submitted to the panel.
- Each panel lasts 1 hour and 45 minutes.
- All panel submissions must include a chair, co-chair (optional), discussant (1 or 2) and 4-6 papers. The chair, co-chair and discussant cannot be the same person. More than one discussant may be added, but please keep in mind that there must be enough time during the panel for questions.
- The deadline for submitting closed panel proposals is October 7th, 2015.

The website for the 23rd World Congress of Political Science is now accepting panel proposals, whereas paper abstracts can be submitted from August 7th. Please visit the website https://istanbul2016.ipsa.org/events/congress/istanbul2016/home (online possible when one is signed-in) for complete details on the congress and its main themes as well as important deadlines and submission guidelines. Submitting a paper or closed panel is pretty easy, and can only been done online. All rules for participation and registration are explained comprehensively on the IPSA website.
We hope that many people will submit either a panel and/or an abstract for the IPSA World Congress and that we’ll all meet (again) to continue our cooperation on our joined topics of academic interest.

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2. IPSA’s Conference on Methodology in Political Science: A Rainbow of Methods

- Antwerp (Belgium) – September 16-18 2015

**IPSA Conference on Methods in Political Science: A Rainbow of Challenges.**

As you may know, IPSA decided to organize two small conferences in the near future, the first one on research methods in political science (2015) and the second one on teaching political science (2016 or 2017). The first one, the conference on methodology in political science – which we called ‘A Rainbow of Methods’ – will be held from September 16th to 18th 2015, in Antwerp (Belgium). The submission deadline for paper propels has already passed, and we can present a very interesting and rich program, but it is still possible to register and join us at the conference as a visitor! Please visit the conference website for more information.

**Theme:** The conference Methods in Political Science: A Rainbow of Challenges aims at drawing attention to the variety and richness of the methods used in all kind of domains in political science. The 50 Research Committees of IPSA testify of this big diversity. Within one Research Committee, most often a series of different methods are used by the members of the Committee, regardless of the subject or the research domain, traditional methods and new ones. One can observe this at every IPSA World Congress, again in Montreal. Methods used in the papers and presentations stem from different methodological traditions and paradigms.

The conference wants to highlight this diversity, encouraging papers that discuss in particular new methodologies, or challenges involved in combining different methods and methodologies together.

Is there ‘one logic’ of inquiry, or are there two or more ‘cultures’? If there are differing logics, how can we combine different methods (e.g. regression-based analysis and in-depth case studies) that operate with different ontological and epistemological positions? Are there some methods that are more compatible with each other than others (e.g. QCA and case studies)? And is the process of concept formation and measurement the same across different methodologies?

The conference explores the broader methodological challenges facing the discipline, and presents also more practical papers that
- exemplify methodological challenges using practical empirical examples
• present broader philosophical debates on methodological compatibilities and issues of commensurability
• deal with issues of concept formation and measurement, especially in light of challenges across different methods and methodologies for studying the same concept
• explore the compatibilities of different methods from a more practical side, in particular the links between large-n, variance-based methods or medium/small-n, qualitative comparative analysis (QCA) and case studies or more interpretive methods

Scope: the conference aims at attracting scholars from around the world, from the research committees as well as from the national associations.

Location: University of Antwerp, Faculty of Political and Social Sciences. Antwerp is a big modern international city with a port, and very good connections, but it is also European medieval town. The conference venue is the Faculty Building, which is located in the center of town.

Program: Five workshops meet in four sessions over the course of two days, enabling each paper to have 30 minutes discussion within the workshop. We will then have two plenary Keynote lectures and one roundtable on particularly salient issues for all participants.

Workshop sessions:

1. Workshop 1 - Developments in content and discourse analysis
2. Workshop 2 - Accommodating diversity in survey, focus group and experimental research
3. Workshop 3 - New sources of data and insights in the social sciences
4. Workshop 4 - New developments in case-based and mixed-methods research
5. Workshop 5 - Social science methods across the world, diversities and differences

Supporting organizations: beside of IPSA, are the IPSA RC's RC01 (Concepts and methods), RC29 (Psycho-politics), RC06 (Political Sociology), RC21 (Political Socialization and Education), and RC22 (Political Communication), as well as the two Belgian political science associations Association Belge Francophone de Science Politique (ABSP), the Vereniging voor Politieke Wetenschappen (VPW), and the International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS).

Conference site and how to register: http://www.politicalsocialization.org/rainbow.php

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• Prof. Christ'l De Landtsheer, University of Antwerp (RC21, IPSA RC Liaison Representative) (e-mail: christl.delandtsheer@uantwerpen.be).

University of Antwerp, Faculty of Social Sciences, Belgium, September 16-18, 2015.
3. Details on the journal “Politics, Culture and Socialization”

Politics, Culture and Socialization

*Politics, Culture and Socialization* is an international ranked and peer reviewed journal, sponsored by the Research Committee on *Political Socialization and Education* (RC21) and the Research Committee on Psycho-politics (RC29) of the International Political Science Association (IPSA).

The aim of the journal *Politics, Culture and Socialization* (PCS) is to publish new and significant work in all areas of political socialization and civic education, political culture, psychology, and communications in order to achieve a better scientific understanding of the origins of political behaviors and orientations of individuals and groups.

The focus of attention is on the broad field of political socialization processes – including political education, information, persuasion, marketing, or propaganda and their underlying and accompanying motivations - and political socialization structures – including the family, school, mass media, peer groups, social networks, and politics.

PCS publishes new and significant work that report on current scientific research, discuss theory and methodology, or review relevant literature. It welcomes the following types of contributions on topics that fall within our aim and scope:

- Empirical research articles
- Theoretical articles which analyze or comment on established theory or present theoretical innovations
- Methodological articles
- Book reviews

If you are interested in submitting your work to PCS, you can send your manuscript, book review or work in progress to the Editorial Board Assistant: Dhr. Lieuwe Kalkhoven (e-mail: Lieuwe.Kalkhoven@uantwerpen.be). We also welcome recommendations for upcoming conferences.

Subscription

Annual subscription is open for individuals and for institutions such as university libraries and research centers. The subscription rate for non-member individuals is 59 euro per year and for institutions 100 euro per year, both plus 10 Euro handling & posting within Europe & North-America or plus 25 euro elsewhere. A single issue is 15 euro plus mailing costs. Subscription and advertising communications
should be addressed to the publisher: Verlag Barbara Budrich, Stauffenbergstr. 7, D-51379, Leverkusen-Opladen, Germany (e-mail: barbara.budrich@buderich-verlag.de). Please state clearly the title of the journal and the period of the subscription requested.

We would like to inform you about the fact that, as a joint member of the Research Committee on Political Socialization and Education (RC21) and the Research Committee on Psycho-politics (RC29) of the International Political Science Association, you are entitled to receive the journal (postage included) at a reduced fee!

More information on journal subscription combined with RC 21/29 membership can be found below or go to our website: www.politicalsocialization.org (see ‘Membership’).

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**Membership and journal subscription fees 2015**

*Memberships and journal subscriptions are valid for one year. Postage is included. N.B. Money transfer costs should in any case be paid for by the members.*

**Membership RC(s) including journal subscription:**

- Membership RC21 including the journal *Politics, Culture and Socialization* subscription: 70 Euro.
- Combined membership RC21-RC29 with journal subscription: 75 Euro.

**Special membership regarding students and retired (membership without journal subscription):**

- Membership RC21 “Political Socialization and Education” without the journal: 15 Euro (outside EU: 20 Euro).
- Combined membership RC21- RC29 without the journal: 20 Euro.

**Journal subscription (without membership RC21/29):**

- Institutional subscription to PCS: 100 Euro.
- Single-issue purchase: 15 Euro (plus mailing costs).

*The subscription rate for institutions is plus 10 Euro handling & posting within Europe & North-America or plus 25 euro elsewhere. Subscription orders and inquiries should be sent to the publisher.*
4. Membership/Address Update

POLITICAL SOCIALIZATION AND POLITICAL EDUCATION (IPSA/RC21) and/or Politics, Culture and Socialization (PCS) Membership Year 2015

I herewith request the commencement ( ) or extension ( ) (check one) of my membership in IPSA’s Research Committee (RC21) on Political Socialization and Political Education for 2015.

Hereby I wish to subscribe for the annual membership of the following:

O Membership of RC21, including subscription for the journal Politics, Culture and Socialization, for which I will fulfill the payment of the amount of € 70 (euro) (outside EU: € 75)
O Combined RC21-RC29 membership with journal PCS subscription: € 75 (euro)
O Special membership for retired/students (include documentary evidence) of RC21, without journal PCS subscription: € 15 (euro) (outside EU: € 20)
O Special membership for retired/students (include documentary evidence) of combined RC21-RC29 membership, without journal PCS subscription: € 20 (euro)

*Postage is included. Fees are valid for one year, starting from the day of payment. N.B. Money transfer costs should in any case be paid for by the members.*

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Thank you so much for your help and for updating the RC21 membership information!

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