

This is a call for abstracts proposals of the Research Committee on **Social Psychology** which will take place at the **XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology - Facing an Unequal World :Challenges for Global Sociology**. 13-19 July, Yokohama, Japan, 2014.

The papers can be sent for the following sessions topics:

Gender Roles–

Gender roles in society are shared expectations and beliefs imposed on individuals on the basis of their gender. Gender roles include rights and duties relating to the behavior, which is defined as appropriate for men and women in society.

Expectations and inequality regarding gender roles are reflected strongly in family life and work life, and they differ according to cultural-historical context. The session should include any or all of these aspects.

Inequality in a Global Community –

Inequality exists in many fields including economics, education, and gender.

Blurring of boundaries between countries has created the basis for a broad, integrated community. This has led, on one hand, to economic growth and rising standards of living in certain sectors and certain countries; but on the other hand, to an increase in economic and social gaps and unemployment in other sectors and countries. The session aims to debate whether globalization processes are the main forces behind expanding social and economic disparities in the world.

Leadership –

Rapid changes seen in the 21st century, particularly in organizational life, require a new kind of leadership to fit them and contribute to organizational results. Emphasis in this session should deal with diverse aspects of leadership in changing societies and organizations.

Morality –

Morality provides guidelines for all aspects of social life. The session will focus on diverse questions arising from the impact of changes taking place in the world on morality, such as: Is morality still a relative concept?

Power relations-

In a global vision, power relations exist among countries, populations, & organizations.

Advantaged or privileged groups tend to treat weaker social groups (such as gender, class and ethnicity) in ways that lead to inequality and disempowerment. This session will aim to explore such relationships.

Relative Deprivation, Entitlement, and Perceptions of Fairness-

The session will focus on new developments in each of these topics, in both laboratory and field studies. The analyses may include related issues as well.

Sexism, Racism and Ageism –

Negative discriminatory practices still exist against gender, race and age groups in many life domains.

Despite legislation, and although there is awareness of prejudice and discrimination, their expression deepen inequality in society. This session aims to examine their expression and prevalence in diverse societies and different settings.

Social Exchange and Trust –

Because trust affects social relations and exchange among individuals and groups, it is interesting to examine these terms today in light of social changes occurring in the world, for example social networks and technology. This session will explore how innovations in technology, enables communication between countries, producing a new type of social exchange and trust among individuals and groups in different countries.

Social Identities –

Multiple and/or complex identities characterizes life in a globalized world, bringing different modes of life and liquidity to social identities.

Our social life depends on the ways we define ourselves and others. This session aims to examine the effects of social identities on our lives today in view of technological innovation, sense of belonging, social responsibility and so forth.

Social Interaction–

Internet and communications revolution has brought with it many changes in the way people interact and communicate with each other. This session aims to explore these trends.

Social Justice –

A little over a year ago, thousands of people from around the world gathered at various sites to demand social justice, and the unrest is still prevalent.

Although each country has its distinct problems, relating to economic systems, social inequality and human rights, the desire for greater social justice seems global. This session aims to explore the diverse causes and expressions of social protest and its links to broader concepts of social justice.

Social Psychology and Culture –

This session aims to address the diverse aspects of relationships between the terms. First, is multiculturalism as socially beneficial as most sociologists assumed?

Recent socio-political events seem to cast some doubt on the possibility of attaining mutually beneficial and significant inter-cultural exchange. So and each culture has a different effect on personal goals and aspirations of members of that culture. Have the technological developments made intercultural communication easier and faster, or are cultural differences still prevalent and inhibiting social relations?

Well-Being and Life Satisfaction –

There are many variables that affect well-being of people and their life satisfaction (such as, poor health, unemployment, divorce, religiosity, political rights and more).

This session aims to examine the factors that influence well being and life satisfaction in a global and changing society.

Work Values, Norms and Perceptions –

Work values, norms and perceptions affect the way people and groups interact with each other within organizations, and might influence equality or inequality at work.

This session aims to discuss the contribution of these aspects to organizational success and effectiveness, and display the importance of adjustment to the external environment which is constantly changing.

On-line abstracts submission will take place between: June 3, 2013 - September 30, 2013 24:00 GMT. A direct submission link is provided at the following address:

<http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2014/rc/rc.php?n=RC42>

If you have questions about any specific session, please feel free to contact the Program Coordinator for more information: Dahlia MOORE, College of Management, Israel, dmoore@colman.ac.il, or her assistant: Limor Hemed at LH435@hotmail.com, and specify whether you want to organize an entire session or whether you want to offer a new session topic which is not on the above list.