

RN9 Economic Sociology

- Biennial Report -

1. Outgoing Coordinators and Board

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2. Incoming Coordinators and Board

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3. Activities

3.1 Conferences

3.1.1 ESA RN 9 Midterm Conference Madrid

In 2016 we organized a mid-term conference from 22.-24. of September at the Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, Spain. The conference on “Squaring the Circle: Integrating Theories and Empirical Analyses in Economic Sociology” was very well organized by the local host, Alberto Veira Ramos. Overall, we had 37 participants, 29 presentations and two keynote speeches. One keynote was delivered by Prof. Dr. Andrea Maurer, University of Trier, Germany and one by Prof. Dr. Antonio Lucas Marín, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain. Due the financial support by ESA we were able to provide three early

career travel grants (Recipients: Lukas Pyfel, Giacomo Bazzani, Rostislav Kurinko). Thanks to the local organizer Alberto Veira Ramos and all participants for a wonderful conference.

3.1.2 ESA Conference Athens

At the ESA general conference in Athens we organized 20 sessions with a total of 80 presentations, selected from over 125 submissions to our network. We organized two joint-sessions together with RN 5, Sociology of Consumption on “Financialisation of the Everyday” and “Re-thinking market capitalism: The rise of alternative forms of economic exchange”. A third joint-session was co-organized with RN 34, Sociology of Religion on “Capitalism, Solidarities and Religion: The Market as Religion and Religions in the Market”.

In addition our research network successfully suggested a semi-plenary “Migration in Times of Europe's Economic Crisis” co-organized with RN 35, Sociology of Migration.

3.2 Special issue of RN Economic Sociology

In 2017 the coordinator Sebastian Koos together with Margit Keller (chair of RN5, Sociology of Consumption) and Triin Vihalemm edited a special issue in the *International Journal of Consumer Studies* (Volume 41, Issue 4) on “Crises and Consumption” (<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ijcs.2017.41.issue-4/issuetoc>). The special issues built on a joint-session that we had organized at the ESA conference in Prague in 2015.

3.3 Homepage and mailing list

We have a new basic webpage at <https://esaconsoc.wordpress.com/> which is supervised and updated by our board member Mikolaj Pawlak. Our Mailing list is: esa_econsoc@mailman.uni-konstanz.de. Through this mailing list we disseminate Call for Papers, job opportunities.

3.4 Collaboration with other networks

We have started to interact and have joint activities with several other networks. We found the opportunity to organize joint-sessions at the ESA conferences an especially good vehicle to start collaborations and an exchange of ideas.

3.5 Future activities

The next midterm conference will be taking place at the University of Konstanz, Germany in mid September 2018. And, we have already a conference destination for the midterm meeting in 2020 at the University of Warsaw, Poland.