



Research Network 13: Sociology of Families and Intimate Lives

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ACTIVITIES OF THE RESEARCH NETWORK

September 2010 : Interim Meeting in Wiesbaden

The interim meeting of the European Sociological Association (ESA) research network 13 was organized in collaboration with the ESA and the Bundesinstitut für Bevölkerungsforschung in Wiesbaden.

29 papers were presented in one session of two days.

The meeting titled "Geographical mobility and family life: How to (re-)think family in a mobile world?" addressed the topical issues of family research related to the interactions between geographical mobility and family processes and interactions. The main objective was to discuss empirical results linking social processes associated with globalization with changing family forms (new living arrangements, multicultural families, etc.).

The proceedings of the meeting are currently under process and are going to be published in peer-reviewed articles in a special issue of the journal *Comparative Population Studies* (<http://www.comparativepopulationstudies.de/index.php/CPoS>).

September 2011 : ESA Congress in Geneva

23 sessions were organized during the ESA Congress from September 8th to September 10th.

The titles of the sessions were :

- Fertility, Children and Childlessness
- Dating And The Construction of Couples
- Family Policies
- Family Relations in Public/Private Spaces
- Fertility, Children and Childlessness
- Family Relations, Migration and Other Forms of Spatial Mobility
- Fatherhood

- Post-Divorce Families
- Family Relations And Paid Work
- Family Relations And Life Transitions
- Family Relations And The Spaces For Care
- Families And Social Change
- Family Relations and Generations
- Family Configurations Beyond The Nuclear Family
- Family Relations And Gender Rapports
- Family Relations And Social Inequalities

85 papers were presented orally, 7 were distributed and 12 posters were given.

The countries represented in the RN13 at the ESA Conference were Germany, Switzerland, Portugal, Great Britain, France, Tchequie, Poland, Russia and many scandinavian countries.

Board of the research network 13

At the occasion of the Conference, the board of the research network has been change and is currently composed of :

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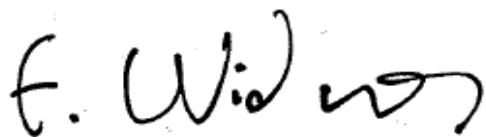
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This new committee had quality interactions during its meetings in Geneva.

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