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## CLINICAL SOCIOLOGY NEWSLETTER

~~ from the International Sociological Association's RC46 ~~

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Dear RC46 Members,

I wish you a happy and peaceful (a just peace, of course) holiday season in your part of the world. Before you begin celebrating however, please remember to do a few things for the RC.

**First, please make sure both your ISA and RC46 memberships are up-to-date.** Our secretary-treasurer has written to a number of you that one or both memberships need to be renewed in December. While we have many new members, we are about to lose some longstanding members if they do not renew on time. **Second, please don't forget to nominate one of our RC46 members for one of our five RC awards.** The contact information for the award committees is included in this newsletter. Full information about the awards was provided in the last newsletter. If you can't find your copy of that newsletter, it is available through the ISA website on the RC46 Clinical Sociology web page.

This newsletter contains information from Tina Uys, our vice president for programs, about our Yokohama program and Emma Porio, our vice president for publications, discusses a very special gift our RC has received. We also have news from Harry Perlstadt, our secretary-treasurer, and Gwyn Marshall Øverland, our coordinator of the regional representatives. Gwyn focuses on opportunities for clinical sociologists to take part in meetings in Spain and Scandinavia. Emma Porio has provided a special report on her class activities in the aftermath of the recent disaster in the Philippines, Massimo Corsale discusses a meeting of clinical sociologists in Italy and Isabel Fernandez Hearn discusses clinical sociology activities in Spain.

Please remember to let me know if you are being nominated (or are nominating yourself) to run for the ISA Executive Committee or one of the ISA offices. Tina is a vice president of the ISA and Emma and I are members of the ISA Executive Committee. We would be happy to give advice to any of our members who want to run for ISA positions. At this point, I understand that we have two RC46 members interested in running for the ISA Executive Committee and one for an office. I hope more candidates will come forward.

**Please note that we will be putting out a newsletter in January.** It will contain information about new publications from our members. If you have published an article, report

or book in the last five months, please send that information to me. Make sure each reference is complete and submitted in Times New Roman 12. I would be happy to include the information in the next newsletter. Your **information needs to be received by January 12, 2014** to be included in the newsletter.

I wish you the very best in 2014!

Jan  
Jan Marie Fritz  
RC46 President  
[Jan.fritz@uc.edu](mailto:Jan.fritz@uc.edu)

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## **RC46 AWARDS DEADLINE – JANUARY 10**

Please nominate someone for an RC46 award. (Self-nominations are possible for two awards – distinguished book and outstanding scholarship.) Please note that **each award has a separate award committee**. Make sure that a nomination package (with **all** materials specified in the award description) goes to the chair **and** the two members of the award committee dealing with the specific award. Please remember that the award committees can only consider the nomination packages that are submitted to them. **All nomination packages must be RECEIVED** by the members of the awards committees **no later than January 10, 2014**. Each award committee member and each RC46 member submitting a nomination should **read closely the award description and award guidelines** that are on the RC46 webpage (at the ISA website). The guidelines will be very helpful in developing an award package.

I would like to underscore the importance of nomination letters and letters of support. They need to provide specifics. For instance, depending on the award, the specifics might be about the person; publication scope and impact; and/or the outcomes of the person's activities. Please remember that our members have many different languages and interests. For this award process to work, an award committee needs as much information as possible to help the committee make its decisions.

If you have any questions about a specific award, please contact the award chair for each award. If you have any question about the general process or are looking for advice concerning the awards, please contact Jan Marie Fritz at [jan.fritz@uc.edu](mailto:jan.fritz@uc.edu)

### **AWARD NUMBER 1 –**

**RC46 of the International Sociological Association Lifetime Achievement Award in Clinical Sociology. Established 2011./ Prix CR46 de l'Association internationale de sociologie récompensant des personnalités qui se sont distinguées au cours de leur vie dans le domaine de la sociologie clinique. Établi 2011.**

**NOMINATION MATERIALS FOR THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD SHOULD BE SENT AS A PACKAGE TO THE CHAIR AS WELL AS TO THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE:**

Jan Marie Fritz, chair [jan.fritz@uc.edu](mailto:jan.fritz@uc.edu)

Robert Sévigny, member [robert.sevigny@umontreal.ca](mailto:robert.sevigny@umontreal.ca)  
Patricia Guerrero Morales, member [ps.pguerrero@gmail.com](mailto:ps.pguerrero@gmail.com)

## **AWARD NUMBER 2 -**

**RC46 of the International Sociological Association Award for an Outstanding Early Career in Clinical Sociology. Established 2011./ *Prix CR46 de l'Association internationale de sociologie récompensant un début de carrière exceptionnel en sociologie Clinique. Établi 2011.***

**NOMINATION MATERIALS FOR THE OUTSTANDING EARLY CAREER AWARD SHOULD BE SENT AS A PACKAGE TO THE CHAIR AS WELL AS TO THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE:**

Tina Uys, chair [tuys@uj.ac.za](mailto:tuys@uj.ac.za)  
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Jenifer Cartland, member [JCartland@luriechildrens.org](mailto:JCartland@luriechildrens.org)

## **AWARD NUMBER 3 -**

**RC46 of the International Sociological Association Distinguished Scholarly Book Award. Established 2011./ *Prix CR46 de l'Association internationale de sociologie récompensant un ouvrage scientifique exceptionnel. Établi 2011.***

**NOMINATION MATERIALS FOR THE DISTINGUISHED BOOK AWARD SHOULD BE SENT AS A PACKAGE (the book also may be sent separately) TO THE CHAIR AS WELL AS TO THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE:**

Jan Marie Fritz, chair [jan.fritz@uc.edu](mailto:jan.fritz@uc.edu); Book also may be sent separately to:  
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USA; Telephone: 1-513-731-7878  
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separately to: John Cultiaux; 13, rue Ruffin; 1495 Marbais; Belgium;  
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Abdul-Mumin Sa'ad, member [amsaad89@hotmail.com](mailto:amsaad89@hotmail.com); Book also may be sent  
separately to Prof. Abdul-Mumin Sa'ad, Provost; Federal College of  
Education; Lamido Aliyu Mustapha Road (Opposite Mainstreet Bank);  
Plc Yola; Adamawa State, Nigeria. Telephone: +234-8033231752

## **AWARD NUMBER 4 -**

**RC46 of the International Sociological Association Award for Outstanding Scholarship.**  
*Established 2011./Le Prix CR46 de l'Association internationale de sociologie récompensant la rédaction d'un texte scientifique exceptionnel. Établi 2011.*

**NOMINATION MATERIALS FOR THE OUTSTANDING SCHOLARSHIP AWARD SHOULD BE SENT AS A PACKAGE TO THE CHAIR AS WELL AS TO THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE:**

Jacques Rhéaume, chair [rheaume.jacques@uqam.ca](mailto:rheaume.jacques@uqam.ca)  
Harry Perlstadt, member [perlstad@msu.edu](mailto:perlstad@msu.edu)  
Gwynyth Marshall Øverland [gwyn.overland@sshf.no](mailto:gwyn.overland@sshf.no)

## **AWARD NUMBER 5 -**

**RC46 of the International Sociological Association Award for Distinguished Service.**  
*Established 2011./Le prix CR46 de l'Association internationale de sociologie récompensant des services distingués. Établi 2011.*

**NOMINATION MATERIALS FOR THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD SHOULD BE SENT AS A PACKAGE TO THE CHAIR AS WELL AS TO THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE:**

Emma Porio, chair [eporio@ateneo.edu](mailto:eporio@ateneo.edu)  
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André Suchet, member [a.suchet@wanadoo.fr](mailto:a.suchet@wanadoo.fr)

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### **From Tina Uys, RC46 Vice President for Programs**

RC46 can look forward to a very exciting program in Yokohama. We have 15 RC sessions during which 68 papers will be presented. One of these sessions is a joint session with TG03 on Human Rights. A 16<sup>th</sup> session is our business meeting. An additional session, organized by RC46, is an integrative session which was selected to be part of the program of 10 integrative sessions in the ISA's morning program.

The full program appears below. The time slots will be determined in March and we will keep you informed with regard to those. (If you note a spelling error in your contribution, please send the corrected information to me at [tuys@uj.ac.za](mailto:tuys@uj.ac.za)).

We would like to invite all of you to the RC46 business meeting during which time the awards will be given. We hope to see all of you in Yokohama!

**RC46 Clinical Sociology Program at the XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology**  
Programme Coordinators: Tina Uys [tuys@uj.ac.za](mailto:tuys@uj.ac.za) and Jan Marie Fritz [jan.fritz@uc.edu](mailto:jan.fritz@uc.edu)

**Program as of 2013-12-08**

**Integrative session: Addressing Inequality Before, During and After Difficult Times: Research, Intervention and Effective Outcomes** - Organized by RC46 Clinical Sociology with the cooperation of the South African Sociological Association, TG03 Human Rights and Global Justice, and the Philippine Sociological Society

**Session Organizer: Jan Marie Fritz**

**Presentations:**

"Addressing Inequality through the Mediation of Disputes and Conflicts"  
Jan Marie FRITZ, University of Cincinnati (USA), RC46 Clinical Sociology

"Sustainable Social Development"  
Freek CRONJE, North West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa; South African Sociological Association

"Improving Respect for Children's Rights"  
Brian GRAN, TG03 Human Rights and Global Justice; Case Western Reserve University (USA)

"Shifting Spaces of Hope and Power: Facing Increasing Inequality and Crisis in Asia"  
Emma PORIO, Philippine Sociological Society; Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines

**Session 1: The Development of Clinical Sociology: History, Feasibility, Certification and Accreditation**

**Organizer/Chair: Tina Uys**

**Presenters:**

"Profiles from the US History of Clinical Sociology: Addams, Du Bois and Gomillioni"  
Jan Marie FRITZ

"Feasibility and Possible Fields for Application of Clinical Sociology in Iran"  
Saeid YARMOHAMMADI

"Obstacles of Clinical Sociology in Iran"  
Hassan BEIG

"The Problems and Attempts in Training Applied and Clinical Skills to Sociology Graduates: Somder (ASG) Case, İstanbul-Turkey"  
Vehbi BASER

“Certifying Practitioners and Accrediting Programs: The United States Experience”  
Melodye LEHNERER & Harry PERLSTADT

**Session 2: Clinical Sociology: Epistemology and Research/ Sociologie Clinique:  
Épistémologie et la Recherche**

**Organizer/Chair: Abdul-Mumin SA'AD**

**Presenters:**

For a Clinical Epistemology of the Practice of Intervention  
Jean Philippe BOUILLOUD

The Contemplative Turn in Sociological Imagination  
Vincenzo GIORGINO

Un Univers de L'absurde: L'alchimie  
Sekou SANOGO

Epistemologies for the New Revolutionary Movements: Knowledges-on-the-Skin  
Raluca SOREANU

The Social Clinical Approach and Social Change. /La Clinique du Social et le Changement  
Social  
Jacques RHEAUME

**Session 3: Clinical Sociology, Health and Social Policy**

**Organizer/Chair: Harry Perlstadt**

**Presenters:**

Clinical Sociological Analysis of the Issues and Challenges to Healthcare Delivery in Nigeria  
Today  
Abdul-Mumin SA'AD & Ruth BULUS IGANUS

About Efficiency of Prevention Campaigns to Fight Cancer  
Vanessa BLONDET

The German Welfare Reforms and Individual Health  
Johannes EGGS

The Doctor-Patient Relationship: Inequality in Pain Construct  
Pierre VAN NIEKERK & Marlize WATERMEYER

#### **Session 4: Special Topics in Clinical Sociology: Whistleblowing, Bullying and Research**

**Organizer/Chair: Harry Perlstadt**

**Presenters:**

Whistleblowing and Intervention: A Role for the Clinical Sociologist  
Tina UYS

Trade Unions and Whistleblowing: Can They Do More than Protect their Members?  
David LEWIS & Wim VANDEKERCKHOVE

Mediating Workplace Bullying  
Anton SENEKAL & Susan STEINMAN

Professional Bullying - Do Ethics Matter? Ethics in Research as a Way to Cope with Excessive  
Evaluation Anxiety (XEA) and Bullying  
Shlomit BECHAR & Irit MERO-JAFFE

Classes of Evaluation in Research Ethics Committee Meetings in Iran: Ethical Review from the  
Inside  
Mansoorh SANIEI

#### **Session 5: Clinical Sociology, Student Attitudes and Learning Outcomes**

**Organizer/Chair: Hans Petter Sand**

**Presenters:**

Understanding How We Learn  
Mariam SEEDAT KHAN

Dysfunctional Schools: A Mentoring Framework  
Gishma MOHAMED & Frans BEZUIDENHOUT

University Student's Attitudes Towards Affirmative Action Policy: Reflections from India  
Nagaraju GUNDEMEDA

Do We Stay or Do We Leave?: The Views of Uj Students with Regard to Living in South Africa  
Anton SENEKAL

#### **Session 6: Business meeting**

**Organizer/Chair: Jan Marie Fritz**

**Session 7: Clinical Sociology, Care and Care Workers**

**Organizer/Chair: Anton Senekal**

**Presenters:**

How Do Support Providers Deploy Care Workers Effectively in Japan?

Kentaro ISHIJIMA

The Challenge of Supporting People Suffering Ambiguous Loss: An MPS Case Study

Hiroki NAKAMORI

Participation and Cooperation: An Approach to Productive Aging for Institutional Care Service in F Resident

Yang ZHOU

Social Security and Orphans in Foster Care: The Experiences of Social Workers and Home-Based Care Workers in the South African State's Provision of the Foster Care Grant

Anthony KAZIBONI

A Comparative Study of the Family Model vs. the Institutional Model of Childcare in South Africa

Monica GROBLER

**Session 8: Clinical Sociology: Research/Intervention to Improve the Quality of Life**

**Organizer/Chair: Anton Senekal**

**Presenters:**

Living Conditions and Education

Hans Petter SAND

It's about the Moms Too: Examining the Results of Three Interconceptional Health Programs for Women with Babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

Jeffrey WILL

Purpose Capital© a Path for Self-Empowerment

Frans BEZUIDENHOUT

A Home-Based Dietary Intervention for Chinese-American Cancer Survivors

Furjen DENG, Maria SWARTZ, Sheau Yuen LEE & Helen SUN

Examining the Long-Term Effects Familias: Preparando La Nueva Generación, a Culturally-Specific Mexican American Parenting Intervention

Flavio MARSIGLIA



**Session 9: Clinical Sociology, Cultural Diversity and Immigration/ Sociologie Clinique, Diversité Culturelle et Immigration**

**Organizer/Chair: Jacques Rhéaume**

**Presenters:**

On the Maturation of Immigration Detention: Theoretical Approaches and Evidence  
Michael FLYNN & Matthew FLYNN

Ces Adolescents Venus D'ailleurs : La Prise En Charge Quotidienne Entre Politiques de Protection et Politiques D'immigration  
Andrea BARROS LEAL

Impacts of Immigrant Health Care Policy: Micronesian Immigrants in Hawaii  
Jin Young CHOI

Apport De La Socio-Analyse à L'étude Du Processus De Construction Identitaire  
Sabrina ZEGHICHE

**Session 10: Sociologie Clinique et Changement Social/ Clinical Sociology and Social Change**

**Organizer/Chair: Vincent de Gaulejac**

**Presenters:**

Jeunes, inégalités, Sens Du Changement Social  
Norma Missae TAKEUTI

Politique, Mémoire Et Changement Social  
Marie-Claire LAVABRE

Social Innovation and Societal Change: Role and Impact of Clinical Sociology  
Jean-Marc FONTAN

Maladies Chroniques, Transitions Professionnelles Et Changement Social  
Pierre LENEL

La Sociologie Clinique Francophone et Les Démarches Apparentées Confrontées Aux Changements Sociétaux Actuels  
Pascal FUGIER & Jean VINCENT

**Session 11: Analyse critique et clinique de la Nouvelle gestion publique/ Clinical and Critical analysis of New Public Management**

**Organizer/Chair: Jacques Rhéaume**

**Presenters:**

L'importation Du Modèle Managérial Dans La Recherche : Dimensions Politique,  
épistémologiques Et Institutionnelles  
Vincent DE GAULEJAC

Les Transformations Du Travail Professoral : Origines, Fondements Et Enjeux  
Luc BONNEVILLE

L'évaluation Du New Public Management Par Les Travailleurs. Ou Comment Joindre L'inutile  
Au Désagréable  
Marie-Anne DUJARIER

**Session 12: Clinical Sociology and Inclusiveness/ Sociologie Clinique et de l'Intégration/  
Sociología Clínica e Inclusión**

**Organizer/Chair: Jan Marie Fritz**

**Presenters:**

Inclusion through Communication: Support Activities for the Learning-Disabled and Autistics in  
Tama, Tokyo and Sayo MITSUI

Radio Abierta: Other Presences in Public Space (Mexico)  
Sara MAKOWSKI

Ciencia, Tecnología e Industria a Servicio De La Inclusión Digital y Social  
Gilson LIMA

Pleurer Ensemble Restaure-t-Il Le Lien Social ? Les Commissions De Vérité, « Tribunaux Des  
Larmes » De L'après-Conflit  
Sandrine LEFRANC

**Session 13: Violence and Suffering in the Workplace/ Violence et Souffrance dans les  
Milieux de Travail**

**Organizer/Chair: Massimo Corsale**

**Presenters:**

Work and Suffering in Big Companies at the Age of Financial Capitalism  
Nicole AUBERT

Verbal Aggression Against Health Care Staff – Mixed Methods Study  
Dirk RICHTER

Entre Les Différentes Figures Du Client, Quelle Place Pour Le Travailleur De Première Ligne ?  
Enquête Auprès De Guichetiers De La Poste Et De Consultants En Intérim  
Harmony GLINNE-DEMARET

Le Pouvoir émotionnel: Entrepreneurs Et Leaders  
Daniel PEREIRA ANDRADE

#### **Session 14: Destructive Dependencies and Social Experiences**

**Organizer/Chair: Emma Porio**

**Presenters:**

Meanings of Friendships In Substance Abuse Clients' Talk In The Probation Service  
Preferred Presentation Format:  
Harri SARPAVAARA

Preventing Youth Substance Use and Dependency: The Long-Term Effects of Keepin It REAL  
in Guadalajara, Mexico  
Flavio MARSIGLIA & B. NUÑO-GUTIERREZ

Systematic Study of the Destructive Social Epidemics Phenomena  
Alexander KATKOV

Domesticating AA Movement's Self-Improvement Technologies in Russia  
Laura LYYTIKÄINEN

“You Mustn't Regret the Past, You Mustn't Fear the Future; You Must Rejoice the Present”:  
Survival at the Margins  
Vangile BINGMA

#### **Session 15: Human Rights and Clinical Sociology/ Droits de l'Homme et de la sociologie Clinique - Co-sponsored Session by TG03 Human Rights and RC46 Clinical Sociology**

**Organisers: Edward Sieh ([esieh@Lasell.edu](mailto:esieh@Lasell.edu)) Tina Uys ([tuys@uj.ac.za](mailto:tuys@uj.ac.za))**

**Presenters:**

The UN Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners: Human Rights and Clinical Sociological  
Practice Implications  
Rosemary BARBERET

Clinical Sociology and the Quest for Sense in the “Secular City”  
Massimo CORSALE

Unpacking African Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) Manifesto: A Case Study of a South African RURAL-Based University  
Azwihangwisi MAVHANDU-MUDZUSI

Face à La Violence Dans Les Organisations Complexes : L'organidrame Comme Dispositif Clinique De Recherche-Formation. Le Cas Dans Le Secteur De L'industrie Pétrolière  
Preferred Presentation Format:  
Xavier LEON

Social Science in Development: The Indigenous Psychologies and the Concept of Culture  
Carl Martin ALLWOOD

Complex Trauma a Conduit for Inequity  
Juanita SHERWOOD

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### **News from Emma Porio, RC46 Vice President for Publications**

I have some very exciting news. Through the generosity of clinical sociologist Kathryn Goldman Schuyler (an associate professor at Alliant International University in the US) and her husband, Jim Schuyler, RC46 has been given the domain name - clinical sociology. Because of Kathryn's interest in clinical sociology, Jim had reserved the domain name many years ago and they wanted to give the domain to name to an appropriate group.

We have created a new website for RC46 (<http://rc46sociology.wordpress.com>). The old website (<http://rc46.dsa-ateneo.net/>) is attached to the website of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology of the Ateneo de Manila. It is still operative but the independent website is better.

I urge members to send suitable materials for uploading to our new website. Contributions can be sent to me at [eporio@ateneo.edu](mailto:eporio@ateneo.edu)

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### **News from Harry Perlstadt, RC46 Secretary-Treasurer**

As of November 30, 2013, we had 127 members, 18 of whom have recently joined us. The ISA, however, records membership by year, so that we have 109 members on the 2013 roster but only 97 on the 2014 roster. The reason for the lower 2014 number is that ISA automatically deletes individuals who have not renewed either their ISA or RC46 membership by the end of 2013.

All memberships are for four years, but ISA and RC46 four-year memberships may not coincide. For example, a member may have an ISA membership that expires in December 2013 but an RC46 membership that expires in December 2016; or an RC46 membership that expires

at the end of 2013 but a lifetime membership in ISA. By my count, many members need to renew one or both of their memberships before the end of 2013.

I will be sending out reminders to individuals whose membership in RC46 and/or ISA expire at the end of this year. If you are unsure of your membership status or believe we do not have your recent renewal on our roster, please let me know via email [perlstad@msu.edu](mailto:perlstad@msu.edu)

Rapport du secrétaire-trésorier

*Au 30 novembre 2013, nous avons 127 membres, 18 nous ont rejoint récemment. L'ISA, cependant, enregistre l'adhésion par année, alors que nous avons 109 membres inscrits sur la liste 2013, mais seulement 97 sur la liste 2014. La raison de la diminution du nombre 2014 qui ISA supprime automatiquement les personnes qui n'ont pas renouvelé à la fin de 2013.*

*Toutes les listes sont de quatre ans, mais ISA et RC46 adhésions de quatre ans peuvent ne pas coïncider. Par exemple, un membre peut avoir une liste ISA qui expire en décembre 2013, mais une liste RC46 qui expire en décembre 2016 ou une liste RC46 qui expire à la fin de 2013, mais une liste à vie dans ISA. Par mon compte de nombreux membres doivent renouveler un ou deux de leurs listes avant la fin de 2013.*

*Nous allons envoyer des rappels aux personnes qui appartiennent à RC46 et/ou ISA à expiration à la fin de cette année. Si vous n'êtes pas sûr de votre statut de liste ou de croire via que nous n'avons pas votre renouvellement de liste sur notre liste, s'il vous plaît laissez-nous savoir via email [perlstad@msu.edu](mailto:perlstad@msu.edu)*

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**News from Gwynth Marshall Overland, Coordinator of RC46 Regional Representatives**

In regard to regional opportunities, here is information from Isabel Fernandez Hearn in Spain and from Hans Petter Sand in Norway. I thank the regional representatives for providing this information.

In Spain, the clinical sociology commission has monthly open meetings: visitors welcome! Together with the Social Psychology Department (Madrid) in the Faculty of Sociology & Politology at the Complutense University, the commission has set up a permanent clinical sociology seminar in the Faculty's premises. Activities started in Autumn 2012 and are now being held monthly under the direction of professor Jose Ramon Torregrosa and coordinated by Fernando de Yzaguirre. This seminar offers to all interested: students, university teachers and professionals, the opportunity to read high-quality clinical sociology texts and discuss them in a well-informed group setting, to meet experts in diverse related fields, and to get acquainted with a variety of experiences shared by colleagues. More than 50 people have visited this Seminar so far, some of whom return regularly. For more information, contact regional representative Isabel Fernandez Hearn [[isa\\_fdez\\_hearn@yahoo.es](mailto:isa_fdez_hearn@yahoo.es)] or Fernando de Izaguirre [[fdeyzaguirre@gmail.com](mailto:fdeyzaguirre@gmail.com)] *La comisión de sociología clínica, junto con el Departamento de Psicología Social de la Facultad de Sociología y Politología en la Universidad Complutense, han organizado un Seminario Permanente de Sociología Clínica que tiene lugar en el edificio de*

*la Facultad, que comenzó actividades en Otoño de 2012 y está ahora teniendo lugar mensualmente bajo la dirección del profesor José Ramón Torregrosa – coordinado por Fernando de Yzaguirre. Este Seminario ofrece a todas las personas interesadas: estudiantes, profesores/as universitarios/as y profesionales, la oportunidad de leer textos de sociología clínica al máximo nivel y debatirlos en un contexto grupal bien informado; conocer expertos/as en diversos campos relacionados, y conocer una variedad de experiencias compartidas por los/las colegas. Más de 50 personas han visitado este Seminario hasta la fecha, algunos/as de los/las cuales retornan regularmente.* Isabel Fernandez Hearn [[isa\\_fdez\\_hearn@yahoo.es](mailto:isa_fdez_hearn@yahoo.es)] or Fernando de Yzaguirre [[fdeyzaguirre@gmail.com](mailto:fdeyzaguirre@gmail.com)]

In Scandinavia, the Danish sociological association holds its annual conference on 23-24 January 2014 at University of Copenhagen, CSS, Øster Farimagsgade 5, Copenhagen.

The overall theme of the conference is “Social stratification and inequality – changing social dynamics in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.” For further information, see the conference web page:

<http://sociologi.dk/conference2014/>

The Swedish Sociological Association will hold its annual meeting in Gothenburg, March 13–15, where the main theme is “An Inclusive Society? An Inclusive Sociology?” The deadline for abstracts is 15 January 2014.

Because of the ties between clinical sociologists and “psychosociology,” opportunities to present may also be available at interdisciplinary conferences as well. For example, the 19<sup>th</sup> Nordic conference for therapists and care-givers who work with traumatized refugees will be held in Gothenburg Sweden, 22-23 May 2014. Conference topics include: treatment, psychosocial work, and ethical and human rights perspectives. Last year’s conference (in Norway) proved an inspiring meeting place for 300 theorists, researchers and practitioners. The deadline for abstracts is 15 January 2014. See <http://boka.vgregion.se/flyktinghalsa>

In addition, there are opportunities to exchange views on research and analysis with other social scientists: The 17<sup>th</sup> Nordic Migration Research Conference, with the theme “*Flows, Places And Boundaries – Migratory Challenges and New Agendas*” will be held at Copenhagen University, 13- 15 August, 2014. The call for papers will be posted in January, 2014.

For more information about any of these conferences, please contact Gwyn at [gwyn.overland@sshf.no](mailto:gwyn.overland@sshf.no)

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### **A Special Report from the Philippines by Emma Porio**

#### **Post-Haiyan Relief and Rehabilitation Efforts: An Opportunity to Craft a Clinical Sociology Module in a Traditional Introductory Sociology Class**

Super typhoon Haiyan (local name: Yolanda) struck Visayas provinces in central Philippines on November 8, 2013. The super typhoon made a landfall in each of the five island provinces (see <http://weather.com.ph/images/20131107044830.gif>; <http://reliefweb.int/map/philippines/philippines-typhoon-yolanda-haiyan-path-11-november-2013>). The Office of Civil Defense that chairs the National Disaster Risk Reduction and

Management Council (NDRRMC) reported on December 2 (23 days later) a death toll of 5,632. Officials expect this number to still rise and damage to property, agriculture and infrastructure to be Php62 billion (US\$1.5 billion). The implications for relief and rehabilitation and recovery is tremendous, considering that the minimum wage in these islands ranges from US \$2-6 per day.

Since the 2009 Ketsana floods, the Ateneo de Manila University located in Metro Manila, had institutionalized the DREAM (Disaster Response and Management) Team that mobilizes the university for appropriate response in times of disaster. Due to the extreme damage wrought by Typhoon Haiyan, the government designated our university as a satellite relief packing station of the government's Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) while the Department of Psychology gave first aid counseling to the evacuated victims in Villamor Air Base in Pasay City, Metro Manila. Meanwhile, all faculty took an inventory of how many of their students' families were affected by the super typhoon. In between their classes, both faculty and students served as DREAM Team volunteers who finished packing 82,000 relief packs (6 kilos rice, 6 packs of noodles, 4 cans of sardines, 4 cans of corned beef for a family of 5-8) and shipped all of this to central Visayas.

In my undergraduate class, families of 10 students were affected: 5 evacuated their entire families and employees to Metro Manila/Metro Cebu; 6 had their houses partially damaged while those of their helpers were totally damaged. Being their faculty member, I took first aid trauma counseling training to serve my students. We also used our research methods module to do profiling/inventory of damage of their families and implications for rehabilitation and recovery of their students' communities. The class also decided to collect clothing, relief goods and cash in the first week for the relief of the families of the two domestic helpers (in central Visayas) of their classmates. In the second week, the students decided to continue to do a weekly collection of cash contribution from their allowances for their long-term recovery fund. Based on my students' participation in the university relief efforts, they also wrote "ethnographic narratives" in their sociology journal. They are continuing their sociology journal, focused on our post-Haiyan recovery initiatives on micro-meso-macro levels and their intersections, which the whole class shall "process" after their Christmas break. The collected cash contributions of the students/faculty will be delivered to the families of the two helpers in January 2014 and at end of the class in March 2014

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### **A Special Report from Italy from Board Member Massimo Corsale**

On November 29, 2013, a meeting was held in Pompei (a little but historical town near Naples, in southern Italy), concerning opportunities for developing clinical sociological practice all over the country, but particularly within the Naples region. This is a region affected by heavy problems such as unemployment, poverty, delinquency and drug addiction. The idea is to give clinical sociologists an important role in reducing social disease.

Sociologists came from Milan, Rome, Sardinia, and Teramo to join colleagues coming from the Naples region to discuss a proposed text concerning a new legal regulation of sociological professional practice, and suggesting a clinical approach for them. Such a text has been polished and presented to political representatives. In a few months this regulation should become a new rule for the clinical sociological profession in the region, the first experience in Italy. Then health

services, as well as educational and penitentiary ones, would receive an important contribution from clinical sociologists, first of all in our region, but in the future also in other regions in Italy. Colleagues teaching at different universities in Rome and in Milan would like to repeat our experience in their regions as soon as possible.

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### **News about Activities in Spain from Regional Representative Isabel Fernandez Hearn**

We continue to run the clinical sociology commission at the Spanish Professional Association of Sociologists and Politologists, with ever increasing membership and friends (96 professionals and 92 university students). The commission is meeting regularly every three months, providing a frame to discuss about the field, envisage and plot possible professional outcomes, share individual experiences, examine legislation, and share knowledge of adjacent fields. We are not able to develop consistent programmes yet due to a severe lack of funds both at official and private levels, but we are certainly affording time and space, and group support, for those professionals/students interested in clinical sociology.

The clinical sociology commission in Madrid-Spain encompasses eight task groups: Mediation; Life History and Clinical Methodologies; Re-training of Traffic Offenders Whose Driving Licenses Have Been Confiscated by Authorities; University Students Group; A Pool of Volunteers; an IT Group to Create a Reference Library; an OD Consulting Team and a Research Group for Special Needs in Education. They are all working towards a variety of goals right now – just in the first stages of organization, but progressing steadily.

Apart from these institutional groups within the clinical sociology commission, a new independent NGO called ISCLE (Instituto de Sociología Clínica La Esfera) has been created by a team of professionals led by Fernando de Yzaguirre, with a view towards social and institutional intervention whenever and wherever necessary – always bent on generating field-informed theoretical developments and subsequent validation field-tests – prepared to coordinate teams of volunteers.

The clinical sociology commission is also, and at present, negotiating with different established institutions for the creation in common of a formal organization/structure to offer mediation services sustained on a clinical sociology background – while also setting up the corresponding training structures, both theoretical and practical. It must be said that so far the kind of mediation offered in Spain, and the way mediation is understood, has heavily to do with the application of law by lawyers in settling economic disputes and patrimony segregations, in particular within the field of family conflicts and the final settlements of a divorce – in this last case mediation is traditionally aided by psychologists. Intercultural mediation was strong but diminished with budget restrictions. School mediation is minimal despite sore needs. The kind of clinical-sociology mediation we are in a position to offer is a novelty and some of the most advanced mediation schools and institutions have expressed interest.



*Continuamos en marcha con la comisión de sociología clínica en el ColPolSoc, con un número cada vez más alto de miembros y amigos [96 profesionales y 92 estudiantes universitarios]. La comisión está reuniéndose regularmente cada tres meses, proporcionando un marco para el debate sobre este campo profesional, para concebir y organizar posibles salidas profesionales, compartir experiencias individuales, examinar la legislación, compartir conocimientos sobre campos adyacentes. No estamos desarrollando programas consistentes todavía debido a la grave falta de fondos tanto a nivel oficial como privado, pero sin duda estamos proporcionando tiempo y espacio, amén de apoyo grupal, para aquellos/as profesionales y estudiantes interesados/as en la sociología clínica.*

*La comisión de sociología clínica en Madrid, España comprende ocho grupos de trabajo: Mediación; Historias de Vida y Clínica; Re-educación de Conductores con Sanción de Pérdida de Carnet; grupo de Estudiantes Universitarios; un grupo de Voluntarios; un grupo de informática para generar una biblioteca de referencia; un equipo de Consultoría Organizacional; y un grupo de investigación para Necesidades Especiales en la Educación. Están todos ellos trabajando en pos de una variedad de objetivos, a fecha de hoy – en las primeras fases de organización, y progresando a su ritmo.*

*Aparte de estos grupos institucionales dentro de la comisión de sociología clínica, se ha creado por un grupo de profesionales liderados por Fernando de Yzaguirre una nueva ONG independiente llamada ISCLE (Instituto de Sociología Clínica La Esfera) cuyos objetivos son la intervención social e institucional allí donde, y en los momentos en que, se haga necesario – siempre con el interés de generar desarrollos teóricos informados por el trabajo de campo, seguidos de los correspondientes tests de validación prácticos, y preparada para coordinar equipos de voluntarios/as.*

*La comisión de sociología clínica está igualmente y en los momentos presentes negociando con diferentes instituciones ya establecidas para la creación en común de una estructura / organización común que ofrezca servicios de mediación sostenidos sobre un fondo sociológico-clínico, construyendo al tiempo las correspondientes estructuras de entrenamiento, tanto teórico como práctico. Debe aclararse que hasta la fecha el tipo de mediación que se ofrece en España, y el modo en que la mediación se entiende, tiene muchísimo que ver con la aplicación de la ley por parte de los profesionales de la abogacía en el campo de las disputas económicas y segregaciones patrimoniales, en particular en el campo de los conflictos familiares y los acuerdos tras un divorcio – en este último caso la mediación viene tradicionalmente siendo asistida por psicólogos/as. La mediación intercultural fue fuerte en su día pero ahora está reducida por los recortes presupuestarios. La mediación escolar es mínima a pesar de la fuerte necesidad existente de la misma. El tipo de mediación sociológica clínica que estamos en posición de ofrecer es una novedad y algunas de las escuelas e instituciones de mediación más avanzadas nos han expresado su interés.*

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## News from Members

**Daniel Côté** (, Jorge Frozzini et Danielle Gratton (2013). « La compétence interculturelle dans le contexte des services de réadaptation physique et des agences de placement temporaire au Québec ». *Revue S&F - Savoirs et Formation - Recherches & Pratiques*, hors-série, 3:78-93.

**Fernando de Yzaguirre** (Spain) successfully finished his master's studies at Paris-VII University. Vincent de Gaulejac and Jacqueline Barus-Michel were part of his academic tribunal.

**Jan Marie Fritz** (USA) has published *Moving Toward a Just Peace: The Mediation Continuum* (Dordrecht/Heidelberg/New York/London: Springer, 2014). The foreword was written by Ambassador Anwarul K. Chowdhury (former UN Under-Secretary General) and contributions covered selected basics in the field of mediation (e.g., creativity, cultural considerations, models/theories) as well as mediation in countries such as Israel, the US, Nigeria, and Burundi. The volume is in Springer's clinical sociology series.

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