

Call for Papers - Research Stream Sociology of Knowledge

In the last few decades, the Sociology of Knowledge has developed into a field of research that is both lively and flourishing. In contrast to its predecessors, the Sociology of Knowledge focuses not on theoretical thinking and high-levelled forms of knowledge. Rather it focuses on putting the typifications of everyday life in centre stage. Some of the important aspects the Sociology of Knowledge addresses include basic social theory, empirical research and sociological reasoning within contemporary society. It is particularly concerned with the ways in which various forms of knowledge contribute to the social and communicative construction of reality. For the Prague conference, we call for papers that specifically address topics, in the Sociology of Knowledge, that are to be the focus of the Conference (Social Inequality, Differentiation and Imagination).

In addition to these topics, the conference will also address the ways the Sociology of Knowledge provides a paradigm for Sociological Research both empirically and theoretically.

The main criterion for selecting papers, in addition to the coherence of the argument presented, is the elaboration of the paper to this specific perspective. Sessions planned

- (1) Knowledge Society and Social Inequalities of Knowledge
- (2) Differentiation and De-Differentiation of Knowledge
- (3) Social Knowledge, Experience and Imagination
- (4) Sociology of Knowledge: Theories, Paradigms and Approaches
- (5) Empirical Research in the Sociology of Knowledge
- (6) The Relationship between Science and Religion from a Sociology of Knowledge Perspective

Abstract submission deadline: 1st February 2015

The 12th Congress of the European Sociological Association (ESA) will be held in Prague from Tuesday 25th August to Friday 28th August. The main theme will be Differences, Inequalities and the Sociological Imagination.

Abstract submission platform: www.esa12thconference.eu

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