

**RC19 Digest –March 2018**

*RC19 News*

**Reminder: Please register for the upcoming ISA World Congress of Sociology**

For those with accepted papers to the ISA World Congress of Sociology, we would like to remind you that the deadline for registration is **20 March 2018**. Please register as soon as possible to have time to renew ISA membership if needed. We would also like to remind you to consider renewing memberships for both RC19 and the ISA – the more ISA members we have in RC19, the more sessions we can run at world congresses.

**Letter from the organisers of the RC19 conference 2019**

Dear RC19 members,

We are happy to announce that the 2019 RC19 Conference will be entitled "Global Crises and Social Policy: Coping with conflict, migration and climate change". It will take place 28-30 August 2019 in Mannheim (Germany), organized by Alexandra Kaasch, Hildegard Theobald, and Claus Wendt in cooperation with Christof Wolf and Bernhard Ebbinghaus.

If you have any suggestions for the conference, please don't hesitate to get in touch with any of us.

Best wishes,

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### Job announcements

At the University of Bremen the Collaborative Research Center 1342 “Global Dynamics of Social Policy” invites applications for the following academic position -under the condition of job release-

**Post-Doctoral Researcher**, Salary Scale TV-L 13 (100%), start date: as soon as possible.

The position is a fixed term position until December 31, 2021

Reference Number: A14/18

The position is part of the Collaborative Research Center (CRC) “Global Dynamics of Social Policy” (Globale Entwicklungsdynamiken von Sozialpolitik) funded by the German Research Foundation and will be located within the project A02: Welfare state formation in global perspective: Determinants of social security legislation.

If you have any questions regarding the position, please contact Prof. Dr. Herbert Obinger ([herbert.obinger@uni-bremen.de](mailto:herbert.obinger@uni-bremen.de)) or Prof. Dr. Carina Schmitt ([carina.schmitt@uni-bremen.de](mailto:carina.schmitt@uni-bremen.de))

Applications including a cover letter, CV, publication list, copies of degree certificates, should be submitted by April 2nd, 2018.

More information: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/university/the-university-as-an-employer/job-vacancies/details-job-vacancies/joblist/Job/show/1-x-10-post-doctoral-researcher-4644.html>

### **Houston Family Research Fellow**

The Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy (JSGS) invites applications for a full-time postdoctoral researcher. Knowledge of and interest in human health and well-being with a particular focus on inequality and social policy is required. Research featuring international and comparative perspectives that sheds a unique light on the Canadian situation is especially welcome, as are projects that seek to compare provinces and municipalities.

The successful candidate will have recently completed their PhD in a relevant field prior to assuming the position. We are seeking candidates who have an established record of research productivity, independent investigation, creativity, and initiative and should be committed to evidence-based policy change. Experience engaging with the media and general public is also valuable.

This position is for a one-year term with the possibility of a one-year renewal. The Research Fellow is funded in part by the Houston Family Trust for Evidence-Based Public Policy, and the remuneration will be \$50,000 a year.

Applications will be reviewed commencing **June 15, 2018**, and will continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates are invited to send their applications – including a cover letter, a short research proposal, current CV, and the names of and contact information for three references to:

Ms. Amber McCuaig, Manager and Executive Assistant to the Director  
Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy  
University of Saskatchewan Campus  
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Saskatoon, SK, S7N 5B8 Canada  
Email: [amber.mccuaig@usask.ca](mailto:amber.mccuaig@usask.ca)

### Upcoming Events

#### **A Joint Symposium on Global Health and Care**

July 13-14, 2018 / University of Toronto

Thinking globally about health, care work and related social policy requires a shift in sociological thinking. This symposium asks what sociology has to offer to the study of global health and care, including what it has already contributed, what it might yet contribute, and what might be gained from a more systematic or programmatic consideration of “the global”.

The symposium will take place on the **afternoon and early evening of July 13th and the full day of July 14th**, which is the day before the commencement of International Sociological Association meetings in Toronto. The schedule for the symposium can be found at <http://sociology.utoronto.ca/events-2-2/joint-symposium-on-global-health-and-care/schedule-at-a-glance/>

**Registration** for the symposium can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-joint-symposium-on-global-health-and-care-cosponsored-by-rc19-and-rc15-the-centre-for-global-tickets-42648362400> . The enrolment password is “**July14**”.

For more information, please contact [william.magee@utoronto.ca](mailto:william.magee@utoronto.ca)

### Calls for participation

#### **Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences**

*Linking Theory and Empirical Research* | **16-26 July 2018**

The summer school aims at supporting young researchers by strengthening their ability in linking theory and empirical research. The two-week program creates an excellent basis for the development of their current research designs.

The program is characterized by a varied format comprising **lectures, workshops, seminars, and one-to-one consultations**. During the summer school, participants will also have the opportunity to present and discuss their own work extensively. Participants will be provided with hands-on advice for their research designs.

The international summer school is open to up to **60 PhD candidates, advanced master students, and young postdocs**. The call for applications is currently open.

Applications can be submitted **online** via the **application form** (<https://www.berlinsummerschool.de/application/application-form/> ) on the summer school webpage (<https://www.berlinsummerschool.de/>) until **March31, 2018**.

*Calls for Proposal and Papers*

**Foundation for International Studies on Social Security (FISS)  
CALL FOR PAPERS | 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE**

"Social Security at the Crossroads? Learning from the Past, Imagining the Future"  
4-6 June 2018 | Sigtuna, Sweden

Is the welfare state coming to an end? What can research tell us about the ongoing threats to social security in different parts of the world, and the ways forward?

The conference will provide a robust but relaxed forum for researchers and policy makers to come together and discuss issues related to the design, financing, delivery and impact of social security. For this anniversary event, we are pleased to announce an impressive array of **Keynote speakers and topics**:

- **Tania Burchardt** (London School of Economics) - Intra-Household Allocation of Resources: Implications for Deprivation and Poverty Across Europe
- **Qin Gao** (Columbia University) - China's War on Poverty: Will It Succeed?
- **Olli Kangas** (Director of Government and Community Relations, Kela, The Finnish Social Insurance Institution) - What Can We Learn from Large-scale Experiments: Experimenting with Basic income in Finland?
- **Tim Smeeding** (University of Wisconsin) - Child Poverty and Public Policy in Anglo-Saxon Countries

The main program includes submitted papers on social security (defined broadly). FISS welcomes submissions containing the title of the paper, the author name(s), affiliation(s) and an abstract of no more than 300 words.

**Submissions should be sent as an email attachment** to the FISS Conference organisers at the Herman Deleeck Centre for Social Policy (University of Antwerp) at the following address: [Vicky.meys@uantwerpen.be](mailto:Vicky.meys@uantwerpen.be).

**Date of submission:** 30 March 2018

**Notification of acceptance:** 20 April 2018

More information about the conference and conference venue is available at the FISS website: <http://fiss-socialsecurity.org/>

Recent publications

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