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Monday 9 May 2011
(all sessions include 10 minutes break)

08:00-08:30 Registration

08:30-09:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Dr. Gregory A. Katsas, Head, Sociology Research Unit, ATINER & Associate Professor, The American College of Greece-Deree College, Greece.
- Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER & Visiting Professor, University of Strathclyde, U.K. *The Current Greek Economic Crisis and its Social Policy Implications*

09:00-10:30 Session I (Room A): Education I

Chair: Papanikos, G.T., Director, ATINER

1. Anisef, P., Professor Emeritus, York University, Canada & Brown, R.S., Research Coordinator, Organizational Development/ Research and Information Services, Canada. *The Identification and Explanation of Differences in Social and Academic Engagement of Regular and Special Needs Grade 12 Students in the Toronto District School Board.*
2. Mitrano, J., Professor, Central Connecticut State University, USA. *Learning (What?) By Doing: Assessing Experiential and Service Learning Programs in Sociology.*
3. Franck, E., Researcher, University of Antwerp, Belgium, Kavadias, D., Assistant Professor, University of Antwerp, Belgium, Elchardus, M., Professor, Free University of Brussels, Belgium & De Groof, S., Researcher, Free University of Brussels, Belgium. *The Margins of Civic Education in Schools. Assessing the Macro Determinants of Attitudes towards Immigrant Rights of Adolescents in Europe.*
4. Arminen, I., Professor, University of Helsinki, Finland. *Domestication and Performativity of Academic Markets.*
5. Cause, L., Ph.D. Student, Deakin University, Australia. *International Mindedness: A Preliminary Case Study on one Primary School Implementing the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme.*

10:30- 12:00 Session II (Room A): Culture**Chair:** Kefalaki, M., Researcher, ATINER

1. Maher, K., Professor, Furman University, USA. *The Botswana Paradox: Exploring Cultural Norms Using Hearsay Ethnography.*
2. Hammoud, J., Assistant Professor, American University of Science and Technology, Lebanon. *The Impact of Islam on Arab Corporate Culture.*
3. de Cea, M., Academic coordinator, ICSO-UDP, Universidad Diego Portales, Chile. *Sound, Word and Image: The Construction of Recent Chilean Cultural History.*
4. Ackermann, B., Ph.D. Student, Fielding Graduate University, USA. *Indigenous Models of Capacity Building: Paradigms of Spiritual and Cultural Congruence.*

10:30- 12:00 Session III (Room B): Work I**Chair:** Katsas, G.A., Head, Sociology Research Unit, ATINER & Associate Professor, The American College of Greece-Deree College, Greece.

1. MacEachen, E., Scientist, Institute for Work & Health, Toronto, Canada, Kosny, A., Institute for Work & Health, Toronto, Canada, Ferrier, S., Institute for Work & Health, Toronto, Canada, Lippel, K., University of Ottawa, Canada, Neilson, C., Institute for Work & Health, Toronto, Canada, Franche, R.L., University of British Columbia, Canada & Pugliese, D., Institute for Work & Health, Canada. *It's Your Choice - But your Benefits Are Dependent on Your Cooperation: Rhetoric and Tensions around the Concept Of 'Choice' in A Vocational Retraining Program.*
2. Liodakis, N., Assistant Professor, Wilfried Laurier University, Canada. *The Social Class and Earnings of Second and Third Generation Greek-origin Canadians.*
3. Ayuwat, D., Assistant Professor, Khon Kaen University, Thailand & Choosritong, S., Researcher, Khon Kaen University, Thailand. *Labour Rights Understanding of Employees in Khon Kaen, Thailand.*
4. Chamaratana, T., Ph.D. Candidate, Khon Kaen University, Thailand, Ayuwat, D., Assistant Professor, Khon Kaen University, Thailand & Chinnasri, O., Lecturer, Kasetsart University, Thailand. *Working among Friends: Labour Broker Networks in Isan, Thailand.*

12:00- 13:30 Session IV (Room A): Old Age & Youth**Chair:** Liodakis, N., Academic Member, ATINER & Assistant Professor, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada.

1. Hellstrom Muhli, U., Associate Professor, University of Skovde, Sweden. *Elderly Peoples' Experiences of Living in Special Housing Accommodation.*
2. Wu, S.T.C., Assistant Professor, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China, Yan, C.L., The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China, To, B., The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China, Kuen, C.K., The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China, Lok, L.W., The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China & Kin, L.W., The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China. *Protective Motivation of Drug Use among Hong Kong Chinese Adolescents.*
3. Stefan, A.M., Ph.D. Student, University of Bucharest, Romania. *Loneliness and Internet Addiction.*

12:00- 13:30 Session V (Room B): Deviance**Chair:** Hammoud, J., Assistant Professor, American University of Science and Technology, Lebanon.

1. DiStefano, L.G., Executive/Clinical Director, San Diego State University, USA. *The Paradigm Developmental Model of Treatment and the Multiple DUI Offender.*
2. Jacobs, S., Assistant Professor, Widener University, USA. *Religion and the Re-Integration Experiences of Drug-Involved African American Men Following Incarceration.*
3. Barnao, C., Assistant Professor, University "Magna Graecia" of Catanzaro, Italy. *Gangs and Street Networks: Cultures and Survival Strategies among Homeless People in Colombia.*
4. Sanduleasa, A.B., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania, Ghenta, M., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania & Matei, A., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania. *Juvenile Delinquency among Abandoned Children or Living in Families at Risk of Marginalization. Case Study: Romania.*
5. Mitendorf, A., Ph.D. Student, Tallinna University, Estonia. *Constructing Deviant Behavior by Clients of Probation.*

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30- 16:00 Session VI (Room A): Family**Chair:** Ervasti, H., Professor, University of Turku, Finland.

1. Cojocaru, D., Lecturer, Alexandru Ioan Cuza Iasi, Romania & Cojocaru, S., Associate Professor, Alexandru Ioan Cuza Iasi, Romania. *Deprivatization of Family and Its Effects on Parenting in Romania.*
2. Du, S., Associate Professor, Tulane University, USA. *Fatalistic Collision: Love-Suicide among the Lahu of Southwest China.*
3. Fronek, P., Lecturer, Griffith University, Australia. *Adoption Post-Disaster: Groundhog Day or in the Best Interests of Children?*
4. Palamuleni, L.G., Lecturer, North West University, South Africa & Palamuleni, M.E., Lecturer, North West University, South Africa. *Some Spatial Patterns of Age at Marriage in South Africa.*

14:30-16:00 Session VII (Room B): Globalization**Chair:** Li, R., Associate Professor, The College of New Jersey, USA.

1. Miller, W. O., Professor, Principia College, USA. *Globalization and the Normalizing of Race/Color Conscious Inequity: How Light Skin Phenotype is Privileged and Reified by Globalization.*
2. Jalata, A., Professor, The University of Tennessee, USA. *Colonial Terrorism and the Incorporation of Africa into the Capitalist World System.*
3. Chen, H.F., Assistant Professor, University of Macau, China. *Power Myth and Identity: Global Civilization and the Construction of Modern Chinese Citizenship in the Study Society Movement.*
4. Harkness, G., Assistant Professor, Northwestern University Qatar, Qatar. *The Dream Industry: The Business of Selling Products and Services to Aspiring Celebrities.*

16:00-18:00 Session VIII (Room A): Welfare**Chair:** Du, S., Associate Professor, Tulane University, USA.

1. Gladstone, J., Professor, McMaster University, Canada, Dumbrill, G., Associate Professor, McMaster University, Canada, Leslie, B., Manager of Quality Assurance, Catholic Children's Aid Society of Toronto, Canada, Koster, A., Executive Director, Children's Aid Society Brant, Canada, Young, M., Project Manager, McMaster University, Canada & Ismaili, A., Ph.D. Student, McMaster University, Canada. *The Influence of Engaged Worker-Client Relationships on Child Welfare Outcomes.*
2. Ervasti, H., Professor, University of Turku, Finland. *Who Hates the Welfare State? Multilevel Analysis of Opposition to the Welfare State in European Countries.*
3. Katan, J., Professor, Tel Aviv University, Israel. *Privatization Trends in Welfare Services and Their Impact upon the Personal Social Services in Israel.*
4. Wearing, M., Lecturer, University of New South Wales, Australia. *'Winners are Spinners'- Party Competition, Political Ideology & Welfare Rhetoric: The Interaction of Social Structure and Party Discourse in Australia.*
5. Svensson, A.M., Ph.D. Student, University of Skovde, Sweden. *Lived Experiences of Well-Being in A Swedish Care Setting.*
6. Brosnan, L., Doctoral Researcher, University of Limerick, Ireland. *Lunatics Running The Asylum? Can Mental Health Service User Involvement Really Influence the Power and Privilege of Psychiatry?*

16:00-18:00 Session IX (Room B): Migration & Population**Chair:** Jalata, A., Professor, The University of Tennessee, USA.

1. Li, R., Associate Professor, The College of New Jersey, USA. *Population Pressure, Economic Growth and Instability in China.*
2. Rodrigues, D., Associate Professor, University of Beira Interior, Portugal. *Brazilian Immigrants and Evangelical Churches in Portugal: A Sociological Approach.*
3. Sen, B., Assistant Professor, Suleyman Demirel University, Turkey, Kahraman, F., Researcher, Suleyman Demirel University, Turkey & Alican, A., Researcher & PhD Student, Suleyman Demirel University, Turkey. *Immigration and Urban Poverty in Historical City Center: Istanbul Suleymaniye District Bachelor Rooms.*
4. Narongchai, W., MA. Student, Khon Kaen University, Thailand & Ayuwat, D., Assistant Professor, Khon Kaen University, Thailand. *Patterns of Co-resident of Skipped-generation in Isan Migrant Family.*
5. Karapliagou, A., Researcher, University of Bath, UK. *Bereavement in British Afro-Caribbean Diaspora: The Legacy of Slavery.*

20:30-22:30 Greek Night and Dinner (Details during registration)

Tuesday 10 May 2011

(all sessions include 10 minutes break)

08:30-10:30 Session X (Room A): Work II

Chair: Skountridaki, L., Ph.D. Student, University of Strathclyde, U.K.

1. Unt, M., Researcher, Tallinn University, Estonia & Saar, E., Professor, Tallinn University, Estonia. What Employers really look for: The Employers' and Graduates' Perceptions?
2. Hammarstedt, M., Professor, Linnaeus University, Sweden & Andersson, L., Lecturer, Linnaeus University, Sweden. *Are Gays and Lesbians Discriminated Against in the Hiring Situation?*
3. Matei, A., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania, Sanduleasa, A.B., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania & Ghenta, M., Scientific Researcher, National Scientific Research Institute for Labor and Social Protection, Romania. *Reconciliation of Work and Family Life in Romania: Facts and Challenges.*

10:30-12:00 Session XI (Room A): Medical

Chair: Rysakova, P., Associate Professor, Institute of Television, Business and Design, Russia.

1. Grant, K., Professor and Vice-Provost (Academic Affairs), University of Manitoba, Canada. *Overweight, Obesity and Health Care.*
2. Kollak, I., Professor, Alice Salomon University Berlin, Germany. *Psychosocial Well-Being After Breast Cancer Surgery A Case-Control Study With 108 Women in Berlin, Germany.*
3. Bolton, S., Professor, University of Strathclyde, U.K. & Skountridaki, L., Ph.D. Student, University of Strathclyde, U.K. Vulnerability and Dependency: Re-defining the Medical Tourist.
4. Davison, D., MSW Coordinator of Field Education, University of Georgia, USA. *Lifting: The Re-articulation of Leadership from a Black Feminist Standpoint in the Fight against HIV/AIDS.*
5. La Placa, V., Lecturer, University of Greenwich, UK, McVey, D., Lecturer, University of Greenwich, UK & MacGregor, E., Lecturer, University of Greenwich, UK. *The Healthy Foundations Life-stage Segmentation Model: Research and Practice.*

10:30-12:00 Session XII (Room B): Organizations, Theory & Other

Chair: Vukovic, A., Researcher, Institute of Social Sciences, Serbia.

1. Berg, L.E., Professor, University of Skövde, Sweden. *George Herbert Mead as Founder of Discourse Analysis.*
2. Knight, G., Professor, McMaster University, Canada & Greenberg, J., Professor, Carleton University, Canada. *Discrediting the Enemy: Adversarial Framing and Climate Change Discourse.*
3. Foli, O., Assistant Professor, Paris Sorbonne University CELSA, France. *What do Internal Magazines Tell Us? The Organizational Order as Signified.*
4. Solis Gadea, H.R., Coordinator General Academico, University of Guadalajara, Mexico. *Hannah Arendt and the Creation of a Humanist Social Theory.*
5. Carter, A., Instructor of Sociology, Rowan University, USA. *Three Practices of Reading Lacan: In Conversation with Symbolic Interactionism.*

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00–14:30 Session XIII (Room A): Education II**Chair:** Ackermann, B., Ph.D. Student, Fielding Graduate University, USA.

1. Shepherd, C., Professor, National University, USA & Alpert, M., Professor, National University, USA. *Nurturing the Digital Natives: Effective Online Teaching Dispositions.*
2. Ren, L., Associate Professor, Chung-Yuan Christian University, Taiwan. *The Study of Home-School Cancer Children's School Adjustment and Math Learning in Taiwan.*
3. Rysakova, P., Associate Professor, Institute of Television, Business and Design, Russia. *Global Citizen as a New Pedagogical Ideal.*

13:00-14:30 Session XIV (Room B): Gender**Chair:** Ferguson, M., Independent Consultant, Dominican University, USA.

1. Deguara, A., Senior Lecturer, University of Malta, Junior College, Malta. *A Gender Dimension of Poverty in Malta: A Small Island State in the Mediterranean.*
2. Gustafsson, S., Teacher, Mid-Sweden University, Sweden. *Challenging Understanding of Normalization in the Context of Women's Activism in Jämtland.*
3. Coffey, J., Ph.D. Student, University of Melbourne, Australia. *Exploring Body Work: Embodiment and Experiences of Gender.*

14:30-17:00 Session XV (Room A): Culture and Changes**Chair:** Grant, K., Professor and Vice-Provost (Academic Affairs), University of Manitoba, Canada.

1. Ferguson, M., Independent Consultant, Dominican University, USA & VanNatta, M., Assistant Professor, Dominican University, USA. *Cross-Cultural Analysis of Trauma and Healing in Western, Asian, and African Psychology and Social Work Research.*
2. Saule, A. O. M., MA Student, Monash University, Australia. *A Comparative Analysis of Rebetika and Blues.*
3. Vukovic, A., Researcher, Institute of Social Sciences, Serbia. *Civil Society and Women's NGOs in Serbia.*
4. Trapenciere, I., Researcher, University of Latvia, Latvia. *Risk of Social Exclusion after leaving out-of-Family Institutional Care.*
5. Ucakar, T., Ph.D. Student, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia & Vidmar Horvat, K., Associate Professor, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia. *Multiculturalism as a Tool of Sexual Subordination: An Analysis of Public Discourses on Veiling.*

17:00-20:00 Urban Walk (Details during registration)**20:00-21:00 Dinner** (Details during registration)**Wednesday 11 May 2011****Cruise:** Departure at 06:20. Estimated Return Time: 20:30 (Details during registration)**Thursday 12 May 2011****Delphi Visit:** Departure at 07:50. Estimated Return Time: 19:30 (Details during registration)