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Dear Colleagues,

The new RC21 president will be selected when we meet at the World Congress of Sociology this summer as my four year tenure is ending. I welcome your nominations for presidential candidates from members in good standing. This process will begin immediately and close at the end of February. I'm open to any suggestion and recommendation and expect your significant inputs in this process. The current RC21 board will, however, decide upon the best candidate and present its choice for president to the RC21 Business Meeting for confirmation.

As you'll see in this Newsletter, the World Congress of Sociology will be held in Gothenburg, Sweden, 11-17 July 2010. The RC21 program embraces "Urban Sociology on the Move" in the new era of rapidly transforming social and urban environments—the Great Recession and other long-term effects of the current financial crisis, climate change, global terrorism and more. Many papers in the program indeed present local manifestations of the new era. I hope the program will stimulate your critical imagination and create fruitful debates.

If you are not actively involved in the RC21 program but participating in the Congress, I would like to invite you to join our get-together party in the evening on July 15 and our walking city tour in the afternoon on July 17.

Let me now turn to the 2009 Sao Paulo conference. Your unfailing supports made the conference a magnificent success. It attracted over 180 participants from over 34 countries. To our delight, Eduardo Marques, the key conference organizer, has already published the proceedings from the meeting! Also, the winter workshop we offered to young participants during the conference went well in cooperation with FURS and IJRR. We may organize a similar workshop, but now in summer, in Amsterdam where we will have our conference in 2011. Stay tuned.

Finally, I would like to introduce you our new web site <http://www.rc21.org/>. This is a portal site so that the new president and new board executive members can upload contents from anywhere else. I hope that the members can also make a good use of it for blogging or anything else.

A Happy New Year and looking forward to seeing you in Gothenburg this summer.

Kuniko Fujita

PresidentISA-RC21

January 5, 2010

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2. ISA World Congress

**XVII ISA WORLD CONGRESS
OF SOCIOLOGY**
 SOCIOLOGY ON THE MOVE
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 11-17 JULY, 2010
 GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN



RC21 Program: Urban Sociology on the Move

Coordinators : Fernando Diaz Orueta and Kuniko Fujita

RC21 Timetable

	08.30-10.30	10.45-12.45	Break	13.45-15.15	15.30-17.30	17.45-19.45	20.00-22.00
Monday					1	2	3
July 12							
Tuesday		4			5 joint 21/43	6	7 joint 21/03
July 13						joint 23/21	
Wednesday		8			9	10	11
July 14							
Thursday		12			13	14	15
July 15							joint 13/21
Friday		16			17	18	19
July 16							
Saturday				13.45-15.45	16.00-18.00	18.00-20.00	20.00-22.00
July 17				20			

- RC21 Business Meeting and Cocktail Party : 17:45 -19 :45 on Thursday, July 15
- Walking City Tour in Gothenburg on Saturday Afternoon



1. RC21 Plenary: Global Financial Crisis, Regime Change and New Challenges for Urban Theory

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Papers

End of a Paradigm: The Current Crisis and the Idea of Stateless Cities
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Bankers and Regulators, or Subprime? UK View of the Origins and Management of the 2007-Financial Crisis
 Chris Pickvance (Kent University, UK) C.G.Pickvance@kent.ac.uk

Crisis Theory, Regime Change and the Impact of the Global Crisis on Urban Space
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Social and Territorial Effects of the Global Crisis on the Contemporary Spanish Urban Growth Model
 Marisol Garcia (University of Barcelona, SPAIN) marisolgarcia@ub.edu

2. “Creative Cities” after the Fall of Finance

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 Papers

The Colours of Money: Art-Money as Cultural Production and Alternative Currency
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Cultural Economy Planning in the Creative City: Toronto Case Study
 Carl Grodach (University of Texas, USA) grodach@uta.edu

The Golden Calf: Finance and Creativity in Contemporary London
 Andrew Harris (University College London, UK) andrew.haris@ucl.ac.uk

New Forms of Regulation for the Cognitive-Cultural Economy: Two Experiences from Southern Europe
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Rethinking the Cultural and Creative Economy of Cities

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Changing Relationship between the Local Authority and Nonprofit Art Organizations in Creative City Yokohama after the Global Financial Crisis

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Creative City Strategies, Global Financial Crisis and the Importance of Local Contexts: The Case of Athens

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3. The Creative Underclass: Vernacular Culture, Subculture and Urban Renewal

Chair: Sharon Zukin (Brooklyn College-CUNY, USA) Zukin@brooklyn.cuny.edu

Papers

Urban Transformation, Social Order and Social Movement:

The Cases of the Freetown of Christiania in Copenhagen and Haga in Gothenburg

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Pushing the (discursive) Urban Frontier: 'Temporary Uses of Space' and the City Marketing Discourse in Berlin in the 2000s

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The Creative Underclass in the Production of Place: Example of Camden Town in London, UK.

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Street Art in the Avant-Garde City: Marketing Ploy or a Form of Social Critique?

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Counter-Projects against Urban Renewal in the Cultural Capital Istanbul

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Urban Renewal and Indigenous Youth Cultures in Sydney's Redfern Neighbourhood

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From Artist Villages to Art Districts: Culture-led Redevelopment in Beijing
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Going Commercial: Paths of Integration of Underground New Media Artists in the Post-Fordist City
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4. New Challenges for Social and Urban Theory: The 'Credit Crunch' and Beyond

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Papers

Neoliberal Developmentalism and/or its Beyond? Political Regime Shift and its Urban Meaning in Post-growth Japan
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Another Washington-New York Consensus? The Progressives Return to Contention
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The Role of Spatial Proximity for Stable Financial Markets: Should the Space Dimension Matter in Market Regulation?
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The Contribution of Urban Development to Local Public Finance: Risks and Opportunities under the Economic Crisis
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Housing Rental System (chônse) and Rotating Credit Association (kye) in South Korea: An Alternative Interpretation of Financial Capital
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Distributed papers

Economic Restructuring and Modifying Government Intervention in Japan
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The Regeneration of a Residential Area from the Swedish 'Million Programme' Analysed within Critical Realism
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5. Joint Session RC21/RC43: Cities and the Housing Boom/Bust

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Papers

Who Drives the Partnership of New Town Developments? A Case in South Korea

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The Rise and Rise of Home Ownership Policy

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The Crisis of Affordability in Tel Aviv's Globalized Housing Field

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Mortgage lending, Foreclosure and Neighborhood Destruction in the Twin Cities

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The Geography of Foreclosure in Metropolitan Phoenix, Arizona, 2007-2009: Making the Case for Diversity in the Creation of Resilient Neighborhoods

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Shrinking Housing Estates and Booming Speculations: Global Games and their Local Consequences in a Large Scale Housing Estate in East-Germany

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Housing Bubble in Japan and the US.

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Cities and the Housing Boom/Bust: The Case of Lusaka

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St. Petersburgs Way into the Globalising World
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6. Everyday Cosmopolitanisms in Globalizing Cities

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Papers

Multiculturalism and Cosmopolitanism as Cultural Dimensions of Metropolis
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Everyday Cosmopolitanisms in Two Creative Cities: Singapore and Tokyo
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Moving Food: Gustatory Commensality and Disjuncture in Everyday Multiculturalism
 Amanda Wise (Macquarie University, AUSTRALIA) Amanda.Wise@scmp.mq.edu.au

Basis for (presumed) Cosmopolitanism in Transitional Society
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Cities of Differences: How to Rethink the Theme of Community?
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The Cultural, Social and Economic Anchors of Belonging in the Global City
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7. Joint Session RC21/RC03: The Impact of Im/migration on Urban Culture, Public Arts and Public Space

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Papers

Film Festivals Effect in the Social Construction of Everyday Life on Global Multicultural Cities. Festival Cinema is a Strategy for a Cultural Transmission?
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A Berliner is not a Berliner: Investigating Urban Identifications of Descendants of Immigrants

Viola-Donata Rauch (Humboldt University, GERMANY) viola.rauch@metropolitanstudies.de

Defining Immigrant Neighborhood Spaces: The Queens Museum of Art's Experiment in Social Sculpture

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The Contrasted Impact of Immigration on the Uses of Public Spaces: Two Socially Mixed Areas in a Comparative Perspective (Paris/Milan)

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Appropriation of Public Space in Settlements of Middle Eastern Immigrants: The Case Study of the City of Malmö in Southern Sweden

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Social Equity Issues in the Context of Shenzhen Urban Renewal

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Distributed papers

Urban Migrants and Their Associations in the Process of Japan

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A Public Plaza in Central Montréal under Pressure

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Planning to Integrate: Immigrant Participation in Brussels' Zinneke Parade 2010

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Space of 'The Marginal' vs. Space of 'The Marginal Man': Two Concepts of 'Marginality' in Urban Theory

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Can Diverse Suburbs Survive?: Immigration and Change in Randolph, MA

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Ethnicizing Public Space: Urban Politics and Armenian Immigrants in Los Angeles

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Feelings of Security and Insecurity in Milan Metropolitan Area and Bergamo: A National Comparative Study

Sabrina Ortelli (University of Milan–Bicocca, ITALY) sabrina.ortelli@unimib.it



How Ethnic Groups Influence the Social and Cultural Re-construction of Madrid
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Migrants, Communities, and Culture in the 21st Century City
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 Susan C. Seifert (University of Pennsylvania, USA) seifert@sp2.upenn.edu

8. Sustainability and Learning Communities, Cities and Regions

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Papers

Cultivating Sustainable Livelihoods through Education and Capacity Building: Modelling
 "Education for Sustainable Development" to Advance Communities of Practice
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Agony in the Garden: Incongruity of Governance and the Travails of Port Harcourt City,
 Nigeria
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Challenges of Broad Public Engagement for Public Administration
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Interventions in the City: Languages of the Past and the Present
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The Place of Social Capital and Social Learning in Planning for Sustainable Liveable
 Communities: a New Zealand Case
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Education for Sustainable Development and Global Citizenship in a Metropolitan Con-
 text: The Case of London RCE
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Distributed papers

Local Volunteers for Climate Change Actions toward Sustainable Learning Community
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Sustainable Regional Economy through Indigenous Agro Allied Industries: the Case of
 Vegetable Oils Industries in Ibadan, Nigeria
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Education Action and Learning Experiences for the Sustainable Development in the
 Brazilian Semi Arid Region
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9. The Upsurge of Urban Waterscapes: Theoretical and Empirical Investigations

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Papers

"Iberoamerican Waterfronts": International Circulation of Urban Ideas and Strategies
 between Barcelona, Buenos Aires and Rosario (1979-1993).
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The Aquatic Wellsprings of Urban Prominence
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Between Swampy Backwaters and 'Golden' Riverside: The Water Frontiers of Phnom
 Penh, Cambodia, in Historical Perspective
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Water as an Under-explored Perspective in the Ongoing Redevelopment of Berlin's
 New Center
 Deike Peters (Center for Metropolitan Studies, GERMANY)
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Social Justice, Intergenerational Justice, and Sustainability in Urban Flood Protection
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Distributed paper

Nature as an Agent of Urbanization: Toronto's Don River during the Nineteenth and
 Twenty-first Centuries
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10. (Re-)Searching Gothenburg

Chair: Håkan Thörn (Gothenburg University, SWEDEN) Hakan.thorn@sociology.gu.se

This is a special session to discuss the book (Re)Searching Gothenburg:
 Essays on a Changing City edited by Helena Holgersson, Catharina Thörn, Håkan
 Thörn, and Mattias Wahlström. (Re)Searching Gothenburg will be published in connec-
 tion with the ISA World Congress. It is an interdisciplinary anthology by Swedish urban
 scholars. The book was inspired by South African colleagues who published the book *Un-
 dressing Durban* (edited by Rob Pattman and Sultan Khan) for the 2006 ISA World Congress.

Panelists

Researching Gothenburg
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"Hidden Refugees" as Municipal Headache
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"The Gothenburg Events" 2001: The City as a Counter-Space
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Discussants

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11. Urban Neighbourhood Dynamics: Spatial and Social Mobilities

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Papers

Mobility, Transnationalism and Rootedness of the Urban European Bourgeoisies
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Journeys of Life in a Neighbourhood: Mobility, Life Stories and Aging
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The Daily Mobility of Adolescents of Segregated Neighbourhoods
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Unsafe Places, Insecure Selves: Roma People Blaming Roma Neighbourhoods
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Place and People: Investigating New Urban Spaces
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Mixed Tenure Neighbourhoods in London: Policy Myth of Effective Device for Social Mobility?
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Neighbourhood Renewal, Social Capital and Social Networking in the Digital Age
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 Gabrielle Gwyther ((University of Western Sydney, AUSTRALIA)

Social Capital, Service Delivery, and Claiming Spaces: Networks, Neighbourhoods, and Community Revitalization
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 Rachel Johansen (Michigan State University, USA)
 Elise Benveniste (Michigan State University, USA)

The Asset of Common Challenges: Lessons from Harare's Different Income Groups in



Greendale at the Peak of Socio-economic Challenges (2005-2009)
 Innocent Chirisa (University of Zimbabwe, ZIMBABWE) innocent.chirisa@gmail.com
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Restituting Protea Village: Neighbours, Newcomers and Nation-building in Post-apartheid Cape Town, South Africa
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Distributed paper

From Dependence to Interdependencies: The Emergence of Neighbourhood Waste Management Clusters in Kampala
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12. Social Mixing, Distinction and Identities in Urban Neighbourhoods

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Papers

Class and Identity in Galician "Ensanches"
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Identity, Place and Class in a 'Chav Town'
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Whose Heritage? Narratives of Authenticity and Belonging in 'Heritage' Neighbourhoods in Chile
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Residential Segregation, Social Distance and Spatial Proximity in Mexico City
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'We Are the Creative People': Social, Moral and Urban Distinction in the Changing Neighbourhood
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Intergroup Attitudes within Multi-ethnic Neighbourhoods in The Netherlands
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Friend or Foe: How are Resentment and Prejudices Overcome to Establish Interethnic Personal Contact?

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Villa Alvalade: How Social Capital Shapes the Community in a Lisbon Neighbourhood

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Building Neighbourhood Community through Shared Consumption Experiences

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Older Public and Private Renters, the Neighbourhood and Social Activity in Sydney, Australia

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Distributed paper

Social Networks, Poverty and Neighborhoods in two Brazilian Cities

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13. A Home in the City: The City and Its Homes

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Papers

Comparative Research on Personal Networks in Urban, Suburban and Rural Areas, Focussing on Households as Human Resources

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Constructing Urban Residence as Home: Sociological and Architectural Considerations

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The Difference between Homeless Men and Women: A Case Study in Northern France
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Housing Planning and Family Life in Russia: Continuity and Change
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Intermediate Spaces between Public and Private Areas in France: Double Movement of Privatization and Publicisation of Space
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Multilocal Family Life: Changing Demands on Cities, Dwelling and Public Services
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No Room for New Families? Documentation and Implications of Discrimination in a Metropolitan Rental Market
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Time in Women's Mobility in the Society of Spread Urban Settlements
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14. RC21 Business Meeting (followed by a get-together cocktail party)

15. Social Mixing, Mobilities and Identities in Suburban and Gated Neighbourhoods

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Papers

In-between Mobility in the new Sub(urban) Neighbourhood
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Historic Neighbourhoods and the Perspective of Suburbanisation in Alpine Cities
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Together or Apart: Cooperation and Conflicts in Suburban Neighbourhoods in Poland (on the Example of the City of Wroclaw)

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The Representation of Social Life and Residential Environment in Working-class Neighbourhoods: The Case of Four Municipalities in Paris' Suburbs

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Revisiting Bourdieu's 'Capitals' in the Urban Context: Housing Consumption

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Master Planned Suburbs: Revisiting the Ideals of Community and Design

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Problem Neighbours: Managing the Everyday Incivilities of Residential Life on a Master Planned Estate

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Corporate Executives and Refounded Neighbourhoods in Paris and Milan: Contribution to the Analysis of Upper-middle Class Attitudes towards Socio-spatial Mixing and Self-segregation

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The Neighbour Relations within the Parque das Nações, Lisbon, Portugal: 'This isn't Ours but It's like a Big Gated Community'

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The Rise of Gated Neighbourhoods in Poland: Legal and Regulatory Framework

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Between Marginalization and Suburbanization: Mobilities and the Production of Social Capital in Southern Portugal

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16. Social Inequalities in Contemporary Metropolises

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Papers

The Divergent Production of Social Inequality in Two American Metropolises: Neoliberal Education and Economic Development Policy in Chicago and Detroit

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Migration and the Question of Social Polarization

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Racial Inequality and Labour Market Spatial Mismatch Theory: A Realist View

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In Defence of the Local: The Organizations of "Everyday Life" in the Stockholm Periphery

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Inequalities in Poverty: The Role of Sociability

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Does the Sector Matter? Economic Specialization and Growing of Inequalities in Six European Cities

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Networks and Gendered Labor Trajectories in Mexico City: How does Neighborhood Social Composition Matter?

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Does 'One Size Fit All'? The Middle Class Question in Urban Areas of the South

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New Policies against Poverty in Brazil: Analyzing Access to CCT in Metropolitan Areas
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Mexico City: Contemporary Problems and Social Inequalities.

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17. Cities, Violence, and Challenges of Global Governance

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Papers

New York City and the Swine Flu Pandemic

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Immigration and Crime: An Analysis of Belgian National Crime Records, 2001-2006

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Bombay/Mumbai 1992-3 and 2008: Two Moments of Violence, Two Different Responses

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New Urbanity or Suburban Dreams? Milan and Turin in the Face of Insecurities

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Violence and Public Spaces Use in the Metropolitan Area of Santiago

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A Multilevel Study of Collective Efficacy, Victimization and Fear of Crime

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18. Who Belongs Here? The Janus Face of Belonging

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Papers

Home and Habitus: Senses of Place in the United Kingdom
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Home in an Undesirable Place: Thoughts on Negative Stereotyping of Urban Neighborhoods by the Example of Wedding, Berlin, Germany
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Elective Belonging and Selective Belonging in a London Suburb
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Honest Villagers and Unspoilt Village Life: How is Belonging Established in Gated Communities?
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Belonging and Local Identity Redefined: The Swedish Wolf Controversy Deconstructed
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Belonging: a Spatial Perspective on the Sense of Home
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19. Dynamic Approaches to Contentious Cities

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Papers

Squatters and Politics: Reflections from the History of Urban Land Invasions in Montevideo, Uruguay
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The Politics of Street Gangs: Urban Informality as a Logic of Political Action and its Consequences on the State's Role and Instruments of Action

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Urban Movements and Urban Policies in Valencia: Challenging a New Order

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"The Street is for Giant Tamales and Big Beds." A Pragmatic Comparison of Cultural Organizations in Milan and Los Angeles

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"Dignificar el Barrio?" Gentrification, Global Tourism and Conflicts over Space in Barcelona's Multiethnic Raval

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Urban Riots and Politicization in Popular Neighbourhoods: The French Case

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Distributed papers

Political Closure and Access to the Justice: the Case of East-Jerusalem

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Litigation as a Strategy of Housing Activism

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Urban but not only Local Protest Actors in Contentious Cities: The Italian Squatted and/or Self-Managed Social Centres in a Comparative Case-Study

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The Emergence of Immigrants' Voice in the Genesis of a Contested Space. Two Cases of Local Conflicts in Northern Italy

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20. Structurization and Institutionalization of Urban Conflicts

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Papers

Contested Process of Defining Public Interest in the Local Government-Initiated, Planned Redevelopment in Seoul

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Squatting in Madrid: Opportunity Structures and Processes of Institutionalization in Three Social Centres

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It's a Capitol City: Neo-liberal Restructuring, Resistance and Counter Mapping the Washington Metropolitan Region. An Action Research Approach to GISci.

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Geographic Dimensions of Legitimacy and Institutionalization: The Case of Dutch Anti-squatting Legislation

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Discourse, Discrimination, & Domicide: A Midwest USA Case Study

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Distributed papers

Conflicts of Representation and Place: Urban Renewal and Metropolitan Agendas in the Paris Region's Popular Suburbs

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The Power of Paris: Exploring the Urban Basis of France's Immigrant Rights Movement

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How Do Urban Policies Avoid Conflicts? Localism's Responses to its Critics

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RC21 Joint Sessions that Take Place in Other RCs

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Joint Session RC23/RC21: Local Manifestations of Global Surveillance

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Papers

In the Names of European Capital of Culture and Social Responsibility: State and Employer's Union Cooperation for Province Information and Security System in Istanbul
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Policies on Gender and Identification Systems in Mexico: The Case of the National Bank of Violence Against Women

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Surveillance and the Exercise of Legitimate Violence in the French Police: The Hypothesis of a "re Weberianisation" of Police Administration

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Right of Admission Reserved. An Exploration of the Symbolic and Practical Interrelatedness between Non-state Actors of Surveillance and the State

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Local Practice and Global Data: Loyalty Cards as Material Cultural and Cultural Practice

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Mapping Concerns with Homeland Security Fusion Centers

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Joint Session RC13/RC21: Urbanizing Societies and Leisure

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Papers

Leisure of Urban Youngsters

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Building New Leisure Geographies in Urban Mexico: The Case of the Casas-Geo Movement

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Personal Stereo Listening in Urbanizing Societies

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Women Leisure Time Activities in the Urban Informal Sector: A Case Study of Polli Bhaji Kendras in Dombivili, Mumbai

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Survey and Thinking on Leisure Life for Fringe Man in City: The Case of Beijing and Weihai

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A "Cat" over a Cup of Tea? Urbanized Leisure with Animals in Japan

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Attitude of Socio-economic Involvement in Leisure Time of Urban Housewives in India

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Study of the Select Top 10 Leisure Cities in China (2007-2009): Role Analysis of the XiaoKang Magazine in Changing China

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Leisure among the Urban Labour: A Sociological Study of Jhunjhunu City

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3. 2009 ISA-RC21 Sao Paulo Conference report Inequality, Inclusion and the Sense of Belonging

In this web site you will find information about the Conference and will be able to download the papers presented at the meeting
<http://www.centrodametropole.org.br/ISA2009/index.html>

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

New website

RC21 Board Member Diane Davis would like to announce the official launch of a new MIT-sponsored website focused on conflict cities and the importance of using urban theory and praxis for urban conflict resolution. This long-term initiative was first focused on Jerusalem, but now has widened its aims by engaging global civil society and moving beyond a single focus on Jerusalem to look at conflict cities world-wide. The interactive website includes feature articles, past submissions to our Just Jerusalem Competition (you can vote on them and post comments about each of them), new ideas about local governance and urban policy in conflict cities, and a venue for users to upload novel ideas, initiatives, or projects. Please visit the site at: <http://envisioningpeace.org/>

Squatting Europe

Second International Meeting on Squatting Studies

Abstract

Squatting Europe is a research network of activists and researchers focusing on the squatters' movement. Our aim is to produce reliable and fine-grained knowledge about this movement and make it freely available to social movements' activists and to the wider public. Critical engagement, transdisciplinarity and comparative approaches are the bases of our project. The group is an open transnational collective (SQEK) whose members represent a diversity of disciplines and fields of interest seeking to understand issues and trends of squats and social centres all over Europe.

Introduction

While homelessness is escalating worldwide, the production of empty spaces is becoming a regular feature of current economy and society. As states and markets failed to fulfil allocating functions, buildings sit empty while homelessness has been increasing across Europe and the world. Hence, some people have decided to take matters in their own hands and squat them. In the process, urban development and renewal, i.e. urban and housing politics and spatial adjustment are interpreted and turned about.



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Indeed, squatting is not just a way to satisfy the need for housing and to express the rarity of spaces of sociability, but it is also an attempt to practice non-hierarchical and participatory organization models. Squats often offer an alternative mode of envisioning social relationships and political practices and developing collective activities such as countercultural events, and critical and radical political meetings outside of, and in antagonism with, commercial circuits. Social centres' activists and squatters are thus often engaged in broader protest campaigns and social movements, fighting against precariousness, urban speculation, racism, neo-fascism, militarization, war, and for housing, migrants' rights, income etc.

The existence of vacant buildings once designed to house the production of multinational capital in the metropolis not only belies the neutrality of market forces but also stands as an accusation to neo-liberal home ownership ideology. Yet, in spite of the evidence to its social contributions to the urban global crisis, many scholars and politicians still consider the squatters' movement marginal.

The rhetoric of economic recovery reflects the vacancy of current political debate. Politicians call for social cohesion and self-responsibility. However, when people actually take these values seriously, they are often treated as criminals who undermine social integration. Academic responses to the current crisis have been just as vacant. While many researchers are struggling with the neo-liberal attack to public universities and seem only interested in getting funding from private companies and in the production of market-oriented information, others seem more interested in theorizing the problem than addressing it. Yet, social movements and urban problems are demanding a much more socially committed production and distribution of knowledge. Accordingly, SQEK will seek to critically analyse the squatters' movement in its relevant contexts (historical, cultural, spatial, political, and economic ones), and share the knowledge thus produced with activists and society.

Our activities

SQEK was born as a research network. When we began to meet through an email list, our first intention was to cooperate in order to start a comparative research on squatting in the cities and metropolis of Europe.

On January 2009, we held our First International Meeting on Squatting Studies in Madrid. This meeting allowed us to share our different experiences, intellectual concerns, research topics and future involvements. We also held two public talks on our research agenda, had debates with students and activists, and visited social centres and squatted houses.

In October 2009, while new members have joined the network, we held the Second International Meeting on Squatting Studies in Milan, where we had the opportunity to present and discuss more elaborated papers and case studies. We also met with activists and visited important social centres in the city.



Low-cost and self-funded research in different countries, internal meetings of the research group and public events are, at present, our main activities. Diverse methods of research and theoretical frames are also remarkable aspects of the issues we are involved in. Nonetheless, we expect to publish collective books in several languages, articles and special editions of academic journals, in order to amplify the results of our research and debates. If possible, a common research project will be written in the next months as a way of better structuring our work.

As it has been already mentioned, SQEK is not only a group of scholars but a socially committed group as well. Thus, we are available as a public resource. We want to engage in public debates about squatting, and as we would welcome meetings with activists, we would gladly be active participants to their public initiatives. We are also ready to offer our advice to students and young researchers who are interested in this field. Our publications are freely accessible.

Furthermore, in view of the diverse composition of our network we seek to challenge the traditional dichotomy between researchers and their subjects/objects of knowledge. Whenever possible, our research practices will thus favour a collaborative and dialogical approach to knowledge production in the belief that social movement activists, just as any other social actor, are themselves producers of knowledge about their own activities.

Different approaches and common issues

Why is squatting important? Though it may not be seen as a very powerful movement, its decades-long local and international dimensions are frequently forgotten. Stressing its political dimension, many activists from European cities have shown a rich experience of collective organization, action and protest that deserves a careful attention.

Therefore, we are aware of the need of to articulate local-specific approach to an international and comparative perspective. While English is our instrumental language of communication, we appreciate the fact that we are engaged in a multilingual, complex and diverse field.

Our research agenda is currently oriented to address five main questions:

- 1) "Factors" and "actors" that makes squatting possible.
- 2) Analysis of "conflicts" and "dynamics" (including needs, motivations, laws, spaces, processes of institutionalization, relationships with society and other social movements, mechanisms and processes, justifications, frames, urban morphology and spatial segregation, etc.).
- 3) How to compare theoretical, methodological and cases/countries perspectives?
- 4) Different definitions of the squatters' movement coming from political, social and spatial approaches (and attending to the own reflexivity of the squatters' movement).
- 5) Emphases on an ethnographic and Participatory Action-Research orientation and attention to empirical case-studies.



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Some other questions that have been suggested for current and future research are the following:

- Map & Database (or Census) recording all the experiences of squatting at each country
- To survey public opinion about squatting
- Repression and criminalization
- Resistance to evictions
- Spatial transformation influenced by squatters
- Political violence
- Transnational connections
- Spatial scales of influence
- Nodal relevance of SC
- Role of SC in post-welfare state policies
- Formal and informal ways of organization of SC
- Economic dimension of SC and role as providers of income
- Meaning of squatting for different actors
- Interactions of squatters with authorities, mass media and local residents
- Historical perspective from the 2nd World War
- Ideologies about housing policies
- Process of political radicalization
- Factors in favour of the emergence of squatting
- Decision-making processes within SC
- Activities developed in SC
- Ideological controversies and orientations within SC movement
- How SC, squatting and squatters are constituted
- Role of the State in the definition of SC
- Political coordination of SC
- Differences between squatted SC and non-squatted SC
- Alternative and informal networks of exchange
- New political trends and practices in SC
- Connections of SC with different social groups
- Informal economy in SC
- Gender conflicts and homophobia
- Collective creation of concepts
- Class composition and subjectivities within SC
- Connections of SC to political parties and alterglobal movements
- Collective actions and public expression (demonstrations, media, etc.)
- Political and local opportunity structure
- Internal group dynamics (paradoxes, performance, habitus...)
- Informal structures of hierarchy and power
- Personal biographies according to time and property
- Emergent discourses and activities within SC
- Post-class social identities (precarious workers, queers, etc.)
- Post-local relationships of SC, metropolis and social communities
- Local relationships with neighbourhoods
- Inter-generational relations and activists' memory
- Repertoire of mobilization
- Diversity of social groups, social complexity and social influence
- Demographic composition and political affiliations
- Alternative media used and produced by the squatters' movement
- Urban spaces and relationships with buildings' owners
- Self-knowledge and internal contradictions
- Relationships between SC and squatted houses



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- To what extent there is a European or transnational squatters' movement?
- What changes and continuities have occurred in the history of the squatters' movement?
- Is there a relationship between the squatters' movement and the crisis of the Welfare State, the traditional political system, or the urban regimes?
- Why have squatters spread along Europe since the 1970s?
- How important are the new-emergent SC within the squatters' movement?
- What is the political power and social influence of the squatters' movement?
- How has the legal framework changed along the time and across countries?
- To which kind of societal needs was squatting giving an answer (in the context of different urban regimes)?
- What actions, actors, discourses and contexts are relevant for squatting?
- To what extent has the squatters' movement produced social knowledge (reflexivity)? Useful for whom? How has been produced?
- How does the cultural and political context contribute to build the squatters' identity?
- How do squatters use the 'construction of social needs' as a claim to develop their projects?
- What is the internal structure influencing the construction of squatting as a subject?
- How does squatting last? How does squatting spread? How does it decline?
- What squatting experiences were most successful?
- Is duration the criteria of success? Is it institutionalization?
- How do the social and political actors recognise and legitimise squatting?
- Is the 'contested / flexible institution' the criteria of success?
- What is squatting in different cities, countries, times and among different social groups?
- What is the size and volume of squatting in any country?
- Urban capitalism, contentious housing and political socialization



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5. RC21 Financial report 2009 (amounts in Euro)

Item	Date	Revenues	Expenditure	Balance
Balance @ 21/12/2008				29.305,56
2009				
RC21 contribution to Tokyo Conference	23/01/2009		9.836,70	19.468,86
Paying participants RC21-IJURR-FURS Winter-School Sao-Paulo	06/08/2009	3.198,68		22.667,54
RC21 contribution to RC21-IJURR-FURS Winter-School Sao-Paulo ¹	04/09/2009		9.676,46	12.991,08
RC21-IJURR-FURS Fellowships for Winter-School Sao-Paulo ²			4.700,00	8.291,08
RC21 Board dinner Sao-Paulo	24/08/2009		357,83	7.933,25
FURS contribution to RC21-IJURR-FURS Winter-School Sao Paulo	17/12/2009	8.100,00		16.033,25
RC21 Website renewal	22/12/2009		750,00	15.283,25
ESPAnet contribution for online payment	31/12/2009	1167,01		16.450,26
Online payment fees for 2009 (still outstanding)	31/12/2009			16.450,26
Membership fees 2009 (paid directly online and/or transfer) ³	31/12/2009	316,20		16.766,46
Total banking costs 2009 (incl. Taxes) @ 31/12/2009	31/12/2009		457,21	16.309,25
Balance @ 31/12/2009				16.309,25
Outstanding payments @ 31 /12/2009			275,24	
Outstanding membership fees due through ISA @ 31/12/2009		1.940,00		
Balance @ 31/12/2009 including outstanding payments				17.974,01

(1) Includes in-kind fellowship payments (accommodation, conference costs, board,...).

(2) includes 341 euro cash payments.

(3) the amount is particularly low because most new members were from Latin America



6. MEMBERSHIPS

The updated number of RC21 members in goodstanding is 369.

RC21 RENEWALS 1th DECEMBER 2008 – 13th JANUARY 2010

Surname	Name	Inst. Country	Subscription Term	ISA Member
Aderhold	Jens	Germany	18/12/2013	Yes
Asiyanbola	Abidemi	Nigeria	18/07/2013	Yes
Bezmez	Dikmen	Turkey	11/01/2014	Yes
Biswas	Padmini	U.S.A.	18/05/2013	Yes
Bodnar	Judit	Hungary	18/12/2013	Yes
Butler	Tim	U.K.	17/01/2013	
Caldarovic	Ognjen	Croatia	31/12/2015	Yes
Duyvendak	Jan Willem	Netherlands	10/02/2013	Yes
Fainstein	Susan S.	U.S.A.	31/12/2012	Yes
Ginsberg-Gershoni	Yona	Israel	13/01/2013	
Groenewald	Liela	South Africa	18/12/2013	Yes
Hjorthol	Randi Johanne	Norway	28/09/2013	Yes
Hoffman	Lily M.	U.S.A	31/12/2013	Yes
Hossain	Shahadat	Bangladesh	04/02/2013	Yes
Kawasaki	Kenichi	Japan	23/10/2013	Yes
Kazepov	Yuri	Italy	29/10/2013	Yes
Lourés Seoane	María Luisa	Spain	13/05/2013	
Marques	Eduardo	Brazil	28/09/2013	Yes
Martínez López	Miguel Ángel	Spain	15/10/2013	Yes
Mollenkopf	John	U.S.A.	16/06/2013	
Oner	Ilknur	Turkey	27/03/2013	Yes
Patel	Sujata	India	18/12/2013	Yes

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Patiño Tovar	Elsa	Mexico	18/12/2013	Yes
Salim	Wilmar	U.S.A.	10/06/2013	
Semi	Giovanni	Italy	18/12/2013	Yes
Shimizu	Mayuko	Japan	12/09/2013	Yes
Squires	Gregory D.	U.S.A.	12/09/2013	
Velastegui	Napoléon	Ecuador	01/04/2013	Yes
Verpraet	Gilles	France	25/12/2012	Yes

RC21 MEMBERS**NEW MEMBERS 1th DECEMBER 2008 – 15th JANUARY 2010**

Surname	Name	Inst. Country	Subscription Term	ISA Member
Akram	Mohammad Shahinur	India	04/12/2013	Yes
Álvarez Rivadulla	María José	Colombia	23/12/2013	Yes
Armando	García	France	12/09/2013	
Arnaldo	Mont'Alvao	Brazil	12/09/2013	
Borel-Saladin	Jacqueline	South Africa	18/12/2013	Yes
Chang	Ying-Hwa	Taiwan	11/01/2014	Yes
Chen	Yi-Ling	Taiwan	06/01/2013	
Dekker	Karien	Netherlands	23/12/2013	
Dwianto	Raphaella D.	Indonesia	20/02/2013	Yes
Gabriel	De Santis Feltran	Brazil	12/09/2013	
Gundogan	Azat Z.	Turkey	06/01/2013	
Guo	Chen	China	12/09/2013	
Harris	Ali	Canada	06/01/2013	
Hernandez	Tatiana	France	20/02/2013	Yes
Hesse	Markus	Louxiembourg	29/06/2013	
Hirata	Tomohisa	Japan	07/05/2013	Yes



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Huang	He	U.K.	17/02/2013		Yes
Huang	Yeqing	China	28/09/2013		
Iossifova	Deljana	Japan	03/12/2012		
Jajamovich	Guillermo		18/09/2013		Yes
Jerome	Krasse	U.S.A.	02/12/2013		Yes
Jesook	Song	Canada	02/12/2013		Yes
Kawamura	Masami	Japan	09/12/2012		
Kawano	Eiji	Japan	12/09/2013		Yes
Klien	Susanne	Japan	08/12/2012		
Kurikaose	Benny		13/01/2013		Yes
Lindsey	Delario		13/01/2013		Yes
Lisa	Taraki	Palestine	27/10/2009		Yes
Magda	De Lima Lucio	Brazil	12/09/2013		Yes
María Cristina	Cravino	Argentina	12/09/2013		
Marr	Matthew	U.S.A.	09/12/2008		
Maruyama	Masao	Japan	03/12/2012		
Maura	Misiti		12/09/2013		
Miranda	Lucrezia	U.S.A.	17/02/2013		Yes
Mock	John	Japan	03/12/2012		
Monika w d	Da Silva	Brazil	12/09/2013		
Mori	Chikako	Japan	28/09/2013		Yes
Mouat	Clare	Australia	11/01/2014		Yes
Nadia	Somekh	Brazil	12/09/2013		
Nik	Theodore	U.S.A.	06/01/2013		
Nishikawa	Junji	Japan	23/05/2013		Yes
Norihiro	Nihei	Japan	06/01/2013		
Nukaga	Misako	Japan	02/12/2012		
Peck	Jamie	Canada	06/01/2013		
Raquel	Rolnik	Brazil	12/09/2013		
Rausch	Anthony	Japan	06/01/2013		
Renata Cunha	Borges Ralid	Brazil	12/09/2013		
Rhomberg	Chris	U.S.A.	26/02/2013		Yes



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Soytemel	Ebru	U.K.	04/02/2013	Yes
Stijn	Oosterlynck	Belgium	12/09/2013	
Szeto	Mirana M.	Hong Kong	01/12/2012	
Tadahito	Yamamoto	Japan	06/01/2013	
Tambe	Shruti	India	02/12/2013	Yes
Tateyama	Noriko	Japan	12/12/2012	
Thomas Wang Leung	Chung	Hong Kong	06/01/2013	
Vanolo	Alberto	Italy	07/05/2010	
Yaeko	Niishiyama	Japan	06/01/2013	
Yamamoto	Lucia Emiko	Japan	06/01/2013	
Yoshihiro	Okamoto	Japan	06/01/2013	
Ziebarth	Ann	U.S.A.	11/01/2014	Yes