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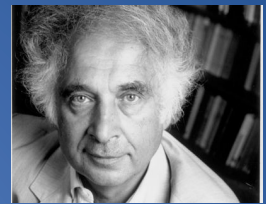
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2010 Nonino “Master of his Time” Prize awarded to Serge Moscovici

The 2010 Nonino “Master of his time” prize was awarded to Serge Moscovici, Romanian-born social psychologist. The decision came from a jury chaired by V.S. Naipaul, Nobel Prize for Literature in 2001, and composed by Adonis, Peter Brook, John Banville, Ulrich Bernardi, Luca Cendali, Antonio R. Damasio, Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie, James Lovelock, Claudio Magris, Norman Manea, Morando Morandini, Edgar Morin and Ermanno Olmi. The awards ceremony took place at the Distilleries in Ronchi di Nonino Percoto (Udine) Saturday, January 30, 2010.



Moscovici was born in Romania, frequently relocating, together with his father, spending time in Cahul, Galați, and Bucharest. He formed himself at the school of life, first in a forced labor camp and then as an emigrant. He moved to France after 1947 and studied psychology at the Sorbonne, while being employed by an industrial enterprise.

He is director emeritus of studies at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales and founder and director of the Laboratoire Européen de Psychologie Sociale at the Maison des Sciences de l’Homme. He is a member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts and Officer of the *Légion d’honneur*, as well as a member of the Russian Academy of Sciences and honorary member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

Moscovici’s work in the field of social psychology is acknowledged all over the world, above all for the Social Representations theory and the influence theory regarding the minorities and their relationship with dominant societies. He has renovated and reoriented this discipline introducing sharpness of thought and intellectual creativity. But he is above all the thinker of the relation between Man and Nature. Moscovici has built a true anthropology, which is nourished by the contribution of all sciences. Moscovici’s anthropology has come to a political consideration of the contemporary ecological problem, a precious source of inspiration for all those who are worried by the urgency of a politics that takes up the ecologic dimension.



EUA-CDE Working Group on “Quality/Accountability”

Aarhus, 26 January 2010



In 2010, the CDE will re-visit the 2005 Salzburg Principles in order to reflect on the experiences from the last five years of reform of doctoral education in Europe. One central element of this project is the consultation with the individual institutions through a number of thematic one-day working groups on specific issues related to the reform of doctoral education, that will be hosted by members of the CDE. The goal of these working groups will be to draft a set of recommendations on the specific topic to be included in the final document, which will be presented for approval by the Board of the European University Association. Each CDE member institution can send one participant to each working group. However, the CDE will choose participants in order to attain the largest possible diversity.

The first Working Group on “Quality/Accountability” was hosted by the University of Aarhus (Denmark) on January 26th, 2010. The distilled version of what was discussed is quoted below in its first version:

“It is necessary to develop specific systems for quality assurance in doctoral education based on the diverse institutional missions and, crucially, linked to the institutional research strategy. For this reason, there is a strong link between assessment of research of the institution and the assessment of the research environments that form the basis of doctoral education. Assessment of the academic quality of doctoral education should be carried out in the context of the standards of the international research community, and be sensitive to disciplinary differences. In order to be accountable for the quality of doctoral programmes, institutions should develop indicators such as individual progression, net research time, career tracking and dissemination of research results for early stage researchers, taking into consideration the development of the researcher as well as the development of the dissertation.”



16th European Ph.D. on Social Representation Summer School: "Social Representations and Sciences"



16th-27th JULY 2010, Rome (Italy)

DEADLINE for the application: 10th May 2010



The 2010 Edition of the International Summer Schools will be held in July 16-27 at the European Ph.D on Social Representations and Communication Research Centre and Multimedia lab. It will be focussed on "Social Representations and Sciences", a topic which is at the same time the genesis and the core of the theoretical and empirical research field launched in 1961 by Serge Moscovici. Besides the founder of the Social Representation Theory, Serge Moscovici (E.H.E.S.S., France), and the European PhD scientific coordinator, Annamaria de Rosa (Sapienza University, Italy), the professors who have already confirmed their participation include: Salvatore Maria Aglioti (Sapienza University), Thémistoklès Apostolidis (Université de Provence, France), Brigido Vizeu Camargo (Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil), Eloisa Cianci (University of Bergamo, Italy), Lorenzo Montali (University Milan Bicocca, Italy), Adrian Neculau (University A.I. Cuza of Iasi, Romania), Remo Ruffini (Sapienza University), and Emilio Sassone-Corsi (President of the Italian Astro-amateurs Union - U.A.I.).

Apart from the *Key lectures* given by world-class scholars in Social Representations belonging to partner Universities of the European PhD on S.R. & C. or of the SoReCom THEmatic NETWORK, there will be an intensive session focussed on a dialogue between Social, Natural and Physical Sciences, led by the Directors of the European/International Doctorates in Neurosciences and in Astrophysics and by the President of the *Italian Astro-amateurs Union U.A.I.*, Emilio Sassone Corsi. This session will be open to the participation of young research trainees enrolled in other international doctorates belonging to Sapienza Coordination program for Joint European International Doctorates.

As in the previous events, the 16th edition of the International Summer School will integrate face-to-face and on-line communication. Therefore, in addition to the restricted number of the participants who will attend the event at the European Ph.D. on S.R. & C. Research Centre and Multi-media Lab in Rome, the participation of other selected applicants will be possible from any worldwide location via an interactive web-conference system (a specific basic and advanced training will be offered at the beginning of the event). The International Summer School will also include:

1. INTENSIVE GROUP WORKING SESSIONS on participants' research projects, with individual presentations, monitoring and feedback's given by professors and discussion;
2. INTERVIEWS FOR SELECTING NEW CANDIDATES for the European Ph.D. on S.R. & C. reserved to the applicants for the a.y. 2010-11 by the European PhD Recruitment Board. Potential applicants are invited to see the 2010-2011 [ANNOUNCEMENT](#) and to fill the [ON-LINE APPLICATION FORM](#) by 10th May 2010 (same deadline of the application for the Summer School);
3. THESIS DEFENSE SESSION for the European Ph.D. candidates in front of the International Final Jury

The EC approved project will allow us to fund the participation of 20 participants. In order to be eligible, the participants:

1. must be registered in one of the [participating institutions](#)
2. shall be a national of a [participating country in LLP](#) or nationals of other countries, provided that they are either permanent residents according to national legislation, or registered as stateless persons or hold refugee status in a country participating in the programme

Priority will be given to the European PhD research trainees eligible to get funds on this contract, as well as to candidates who will apply for the a.y. 2010-2011 European PhD on Social Representations and who will be admitted to the interview with the European PhD Recruitment Board for their final admission during the Summer School.

In addition, in accordance with the contractual agreements, we will admit a restricted number of participants as self-paying or supported by their own partner Universities.

More detailed information about the 2010 International Summer School, the eligibility criteria for funding and on-line application form are available on the European Ph.D. Web site:

<http://www.europhd.eu/IntSummerSchools>



The European Ph.D. Research Centre and Multimedia Lab





**European PhD on Social Representations and Communications: Announcement for the a.y. 2010-2011
DEADLINE: 10th May 2010**



It is with great pleasure that we inform that the **announcement for a.y. 2010-2011** of the European PhD on Social Representations and Communication is now available on our website. **The deadline for submitting the on-line application (www.europhd.eu/Registration) is 10th May 2010.** The So.Re.Com THEmatic NETwork partners and colleagues interested in the scientific field are kindly invited to disseminate this announcement among the potential applicants and invite their best students to apply.

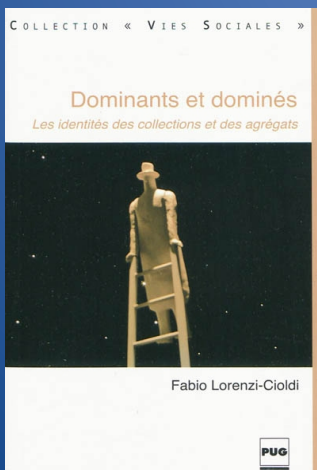
The European PhD on Social Representations and Communication represents a progressive educational curriculum for training early stage researchers through research in a scientific and paradigmatic field inspired by the Social Representations Theory and Communication studies. Although having a special focus on Social Psychology and media studies, it draws in a wide scientific community across continents and many disciplines dealing with social sciences and it has created a Thematic Network of Excellence approved by the European Commission (<http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComTHEmaticNETwork>)

The European PhD, coordinated by Sapienza University of Rome, includes 17 universities in 9 European countries (AT, CH, CZ, ES, FR, IT, PT, RO, UK) 5 universities in North America (Canada), Latin America (Argentina, Brazil) and Asia (China), 1 French National Research Institute, 1 social sciences foundation (Maison des Sciences de l'Homme) and 3 SMEs in 3 EU countries (IE, IT, SE). In its role as co-ordinator diplomas are issued by Sapienza University with the signature of the rectors/presidents of the six universities which jointly confer the degree: University of Rome Sapienza (ITALY), University of Aix-en-Provence, the University of Montpellier III "Paul Valéry" and University "Lumière" Lyon 2 (FRANCE), University A. I. Cuza of Iasi (ROMANIA), and Masaryk University, Brno (CZECH REPUBLIC).

The Research Trainees have then access to a large number of academic infrastructures and are followed by 1 main supervisor and 2 international co-tutors in at least 3 of the above mentioned countries. Moreover, at the European PhD Multimedia Lab and Research Centre in Rome they will participate in innovative scientific and didactic activities like the International Lab Meetings and Summer Schools using technologically advanced resources.



Editorial News



We are pleased to announce the publication of Fabio Lorenzi-Cioldi's last book, *"Dominants et dominés – les identités des collections et des agrégats"* (Presses Universitaires de Grenoble. ISBN: 978-2-7061-1550-9), on November 12, 2009.

Why do blue-collar workers, women or migrant workers appear to us as having more in common than employers, men or native workers? Unlike the traditional perspective that considers that individual uniqueness gets disintegrated within the group to the benefit of common features, this book argues for a plurality of conceptions of the social group. Daily representations propagate the image of the group as an aggregate, a homogeneous and compact group composed of individuals that are similar and interchangeable.

But the more we climb in the social hierarchy, the more this image fades to give way to the collection, a more ephemeral gathering of people that are all different from each other. Five main areas of social science shed light on this distinction between collections and aggregates: norms, allocation, oppression, covariation, and ideology. The origin, use and social functions of these contrasting representations of the group were questioned and criticized by the author, who presents many illustrations drawn from scientific research from the media.



Other Scientific Events organised by the So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETWORK Partners



5 – 8 July 2010, Gammarth, Tunisia

« REPRESENTATIONS, TRANSMISSION DES SAVOIRS ET TRANSFORMATIONS SOCIALES »

In line with the tradition established since 1992 in Ravello (Italy), Tunisia will host the 10th International Conference on Social Representations on the **5-8 July 2010** in **Gammarth**. This conference aims at the presentation of the last works using the theory founded by Serge Moscovici (1961), as well as the theoretical and methodological reflexions aiming at the development of this theory. After Ravello (Italy) in 1992, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) in 1994, Aix-en-Provence (France) in 1996, Mexico City (Mexico) in 1998, Montréal (Canada) in 2000, Stirling (GB) in 2002, Guadalajara (Mexico) in 2004, Rome (Italy) in 2006 and Bali (Indonesia) in 2008, we are pleased to invite you to the 10th ICSR dedicated to the following theme: « **Representations, Knowledge Transmission and Social Transformations** ».

The theory of social representations means a change in the understanding of social behaviour and practices and represents a crossroads for the social sciences. Man does not only react to objective reality, but to a collective and socially reconstructed one. The social representations theory allows to understand the big contemporary societal questions such as the emergence of violence, discrimination, delinquency, sustainable development, unemployment, risk behaviour, mental health, HIV, the feeling of insecurity, etc. The theory also allows to understand why certain interventions toward change and prevention, and why certain campaigns for awareness-raising of information fail, despite the strategies deployed for it.

The scientific network on social representations is based on a large community of researchers and scholars from various fields of social sciences, coming from different countries and from all the continents (<http://www.europhd.eu/SoReComTHEmaticNETWORK>). The bi-Annual International conferences on Social Representations were usually held in Europe and Latin America and – since its birth it is one of the main activities of the **So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETWORK**. After the 9th ICSR in Asia, it seemed important that Africa would welcome the 10th ICSR. It is in fact necessary to enlarge it to researchers from other continents.

The 10th ICSR will be held in Gammarth, located on the seaside, 25 km from Tunis, allowing therefore to benefit from a pleasant workplace, but also from the beauty and historical interest of the surrounding area (Carthage, Sidi Bou Saïd, Marsa). As the network of social representations' network, Tunisia is historically and culturally rich and diversified.

For more information on contributions via Conferences, symposiums, workshops, thematic roundtables, free communication and poster, you can consult the conference website at:

<http://10cirs.org/>



All So.Re.Com.THEmatic NETWORK partners are kindly invited to post information concerning editorial news, launching of new projects, call for partnerships and events of general interest to the participants in the European Ph.D. programme and the wider So.Re.Com. THEmatic NETWORK scientific community.

Please send the information you wish to disseminate via the **So.Re.Com.THE.NET. @-NEWS** and the **on-line So.Re.Com.THE.NET. Event Agenda** to: annamaria.derosa@uniroma1.it
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