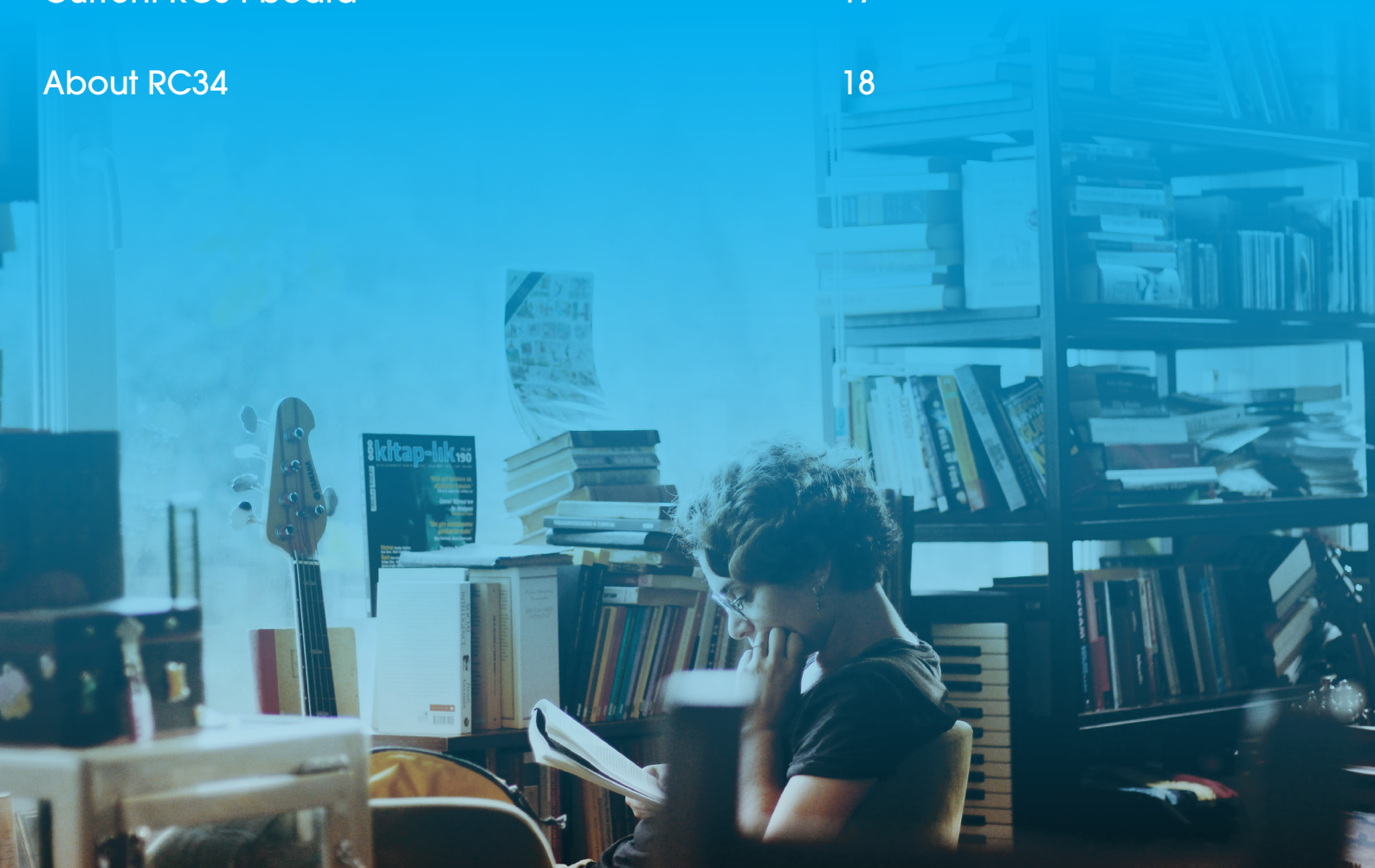


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EDITORIAL

Looking forward to the 5th ISA Forum of Sociology

by Dan Woodman and Ilaria Pitti



We were delighted by the broad participation from the sociology of youth research community from across the world in the development of the programme for the 5th ISA Forum of Sociology in Rabat, now just a few days away.

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We have a rich programme of 34 sessions, including our business meeting and our sessions co-sponsored with other RCs. Surely a serendipitous number for RC34!

The topics in the programme cover the breadth of the sociology of youth and engage with the suite of relevant contemporary challenges shaping young lives.

There are several sessions directly addressing the timely Forum’s theme of “Knowing Justice in the Anthropocene”.

Please see the full list of sessions and session organisers (including session chairs) below. We look forward to seeing many of you in Rabat, and will share impressions with those of you who cannot be with us in the next newsletter.

*Ilaria Pitti and Dan Woodman
Programme Coordinators*



RC34 at the ISA Forum

All sessions and sessions organizer(s) of RC34 at the 5th ISA Forum of Sociology

Youth Sociology in the Digital Era (1) the BRICS

Session Organizer(s):

Natalia WAECHTER, University of Graz, Austria
Chunling LI, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China
Tom DWYER, University of Campinas, Brazil

(Dis)Entangling Young People's Everyday Lives from the Anthropocene amid Escalating Disasters and Climate Change: Justice, Activism and Implications for Those Working with Young People

Session Organizer(s):

Maria PISANI, University of Malta, Malta
Fiona MACDONALD, Victoria University, Australia
Trudi COOPER, Edith Cowan University, Australia
Tim CORNEY, Victoria University, Australia

Young People and Emotions in Actions. the Role of Emotions in Prosocial Behaviours Among the Young Generations

Session Organizer(s):

Maurizio MERICO, University of Salerno, Italy
Gennaro IORIO, University of Salerno, Italy

Young People and Stories of/for the Anthropocene

Session Organizer(s):

Peter KELLY, Deakin University, Australia

Youth in the Mediterranean Area: Facing the Anthropocene (2)

Session Organizer(s):

Rachid JARMOUNI, University Moulay Ismail, Morocco
Maurizio MERICO, University of Salerno, Italy

Islands of Youth Belonging: Between Processes of Mobilities and Territories (2)

Session Organizer(s):

Valentina CUZZOCREA, Università di Cagliari, Italy
Anita HARRIS, Deakin University, Australia

Examining Contemporary Youth Transitions through Qualitative Longitudinal Research (1)

Session Organizer(s):

Hernan CUERVO, University of Melbourne, Australia
Ana MIRANDA, FLACSO, Argentina

Sociological Diagnosis of the Times from a Viewpoint of Changing Youth Cultures

Session Organizer(s):

Izumi TSUJI, Chuo University, Japan
Tomohiko ASANO, Tokyo Gakugei University, Japan

Beyond the Moral Panic of Juvenile Vacuity. Exploring Ambivalences and Potentialities in Young People "Doing Nothing"

Session Organizer(s):

Sebastiano BENASSO, University of Genova, Italy
Ilaria PITTI, University of Bologna, Department of Sociology and Business Law, Italy
Caterina SATTA, University of Cagliari, Italy

Presidential Session: Opportunities for a Global Youth Studies

Session Organizer(s):

Dan WOODMAN, University of Melbourne, Australia
Abeer MUSLEH, Bethlehem University, Palestine.

Presidential Session: Cultures, Transitions, Identities and Politics - Intersecting Approaches in Youth Studies

Session Organizer(s):

Dan WOODMAN, University of Melbourne, Australia

Islands of Youth Belonging: Between Processes of Mobilities and Territories (1)

Session Organizer(s):

Valentina CUZZOCREA, Università di Cagliari, Italy and University of Cagliari, Italy
Anita HARRIS, Deakin University, Australia

How Can Sociology of Youth Research Catalyze Radical Social Change and Intergenerational Mobility?

Session Organizer(s):

Adam COOPER, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa

Transnational Dimension of Youth Political Participation

Session Organizer(s):

Airi-Alina ALLASTE, Tallinn University, Estonia
Ewa KRZAKLEWSKA, Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland

Young People and the Future of Work

Session Organizer(s):

Hiroyuki KUBOTA, Nihon University, Japan
Naoki IGUCHI, Kyushu Institute of Technology, Japan

Youth Futures in the Global South (2) Resistance

Session Organizer(s):

Sharlene SWARTZ, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa

Examining Contemporary Youth Transitions through Qualitative Longitudinal Research (2)

Session Organizer(s):

Ana MIRANDA, FLACSO , Argentina
Hernan CUERVO, University of Melbourne, Australia

Les Jeunes Face Aux Phénomènes Urbains

Session Organizer(s):

Imane ARKHIS, Université Hassan II, Morocco

Jeunes Ruraux: Injustices Multifformes

Session Organizer(s):

Fadma AIT MOUS, Hassan II University of Casablanca, Morocco
Zakaria KADIRI, Hassan II University of Casablanca, Morocco

Youth in the Mediterranean Area: Facing the Anthropocene (1)

Session Organizer(s):

Maurizio MERICO, University of Salerno, Italy
Rachid JARMOUNI, University Moulay Ismail, Morocco

COVID-19, Substance Use, and the Impact of Risk upon the Lives and Futures of Youth

Session Organizer(s):

Sampson BLAIR, The State University of New York, USA
Patricia CLASTER, Pennsylvania Western University, USA
Sheila MAXWELL, Michigan State University, USA
Timothy Madigan, Commonwealth University, USA.

Sociological Understandings of Health and Well-Being Among Young People

Session Organizer(s):

Chandni BASU, Sister Nivedita University Kolkata, India
Jayanathan PERUMAL GOVENDER, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Youth in Latin America and the Caribbean: Policies, Youth Resistance and Impact on Inequalities and Injustices

Session Organizer(s):

Ada Cora FREYTES FREY, Universidad Nacional de Avellaneda/Universidad Nacional Arturo Jauretche, Argentina
Agustina CORICA, FLACSO , Argentina
Pablo VOMMARO, Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales, Argentina

The Milltown Boys over 50 Years: An Ethnography Reflection on a Career in Youth Studies

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Chunling LI, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China

Youth Futures in the Global South (1) Aspiration

Session Organizer(s):

Sharlene SWARTZ, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa and University of Cape Town, South Africa

Justice, Action and Institutions: Youth Activism and the Future of Democracies -

Session Organizer(s):

Nicté CASTAÑEDA CAMEY, Universidad de Guadalajara, Mexico

Ada Cora FREYTES FREY, Universidad Nacional Arturo Jauretche / Universidad Nacional de Avellaneda, Argentina

Andreas KARSTEN, Youth Policy Labs, Germany

Transitions, Social Mobility and Inequality

Session Organizer(s):

Adam COOPER, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa

Educational Workshop: How to Teach Students about Social Polarisation?

(Led by RC04 Education)

Session Organizer(s)/Chairs:

Agata KOMENDANT-BRODOWSKA, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Sociology, University of Warsaw

Anna BEITANE, University of Tartu, Estonia.

Nataliia SOKOLOVSKA, Alexander von Humboldt Institut für Internet und Gesellschaft

Germany

Wander JAGER, University of Groningen, Netherlands

Ambiguous Subjects in a Global Generation. Understanding Youth from Biographical Approaches, Part I

(Led by RC38 Biography and Society)

Session Organizer(s):

Joschka PHILIPPS, University of Bayreuth, Germany

Gérard AMOUGOU, University of Yaoundé II, Cameroon

International Student Mobility and Contested Knowledges

(Led by RC04 Education and Society)

Session Organizer(s):

Rachel Brooks, University of Oxford, United Kingdom.

Vera SPANGLER, University of Surrey, United Kingdom

Political Socialization of Younger Generations: Participation, Beliefs, Attitudes and Knowledge

(Led by RC42 Social Psychology)

Session Organizer(s):

Daniel MIRANDA, Universidad de Chile, Chile

Janina SUPPERS, University of Waikato, New Zealand.

Contested Everyday Temporalities. Children and Youth in Contemporary Changing Worlds

(Led by RC53 Sociology of Childhood)

Session Organizer(s):

Ana MIRANDA, FLACSO, Argentina.

Valeria LLOBET, CONICET / UNSAM, Argentina.

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Monday, 7 July 2025

09:00 - 10:45

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09:00 - 10:45

551 Presidential Session: Cultures, Transitions, Identities and Politics - Intersecting Approaches in Youth Studies

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC04

09:00 - 10:45

JS-3 Educational Workshop: How to Teach Students about Social Polarisation?

📍 FSE016 (Faculty of Education Sciences)

11:00 - 12:45

RC34

11:00 - 12:45

552 Beyond the Moral Panic of Juvenile Vacuity. Exploring Ambivalences and Potentialities in Young People "Doing Nothing"

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

13:00 - 14:45

RC34

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553 COVID-19, Substance Use, and the Impact of Risk upon the Lives and Futures of Youth

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC38

13:00 - 14:45

JS-27 Ambiguous Subjects in a Global Generation. Understanding Youth from Biographical Approaches, Part I

📍 ASJE019 (Bloc 2, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

15:00 - 16:45

RC34

15:00 - 16:45

554 Young People and the Future of Work

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

15:00 - 16:45

JS-41 (Dis)Entangling Young People's Everyday Lives from the Anthropocene amid Escalating Disasters and Climate Change: Justice, Activism and Implications for Those Working with Young People

📍 SJES008 (Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

Tuesday, 8 July 2025

09:00 - 10:45

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

555 Young People and Emotions in Actions. the Role of Emotions in Prosocial Behaviours Among the Young Generations

📍 ASJE011 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

556 Sociological Diagnosis of the Times from a Viewpoint of Changing Youth Cultures

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

11:00 - 12:45

RC34

11:00 - 12:45

557 Transitions, Social Mobility and Inequality

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

13:00 - 14:45

RC34

13:00 - 14:45

558 Young People and Stories of/for the Anthropocene

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

15:00 - 16:45

RC34

15:00 - 16:45

559 Youth in the Mediterranean Area: Facing the Anthropocene

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC04

15:00 - 16:45

JS-103 International Student Mobility and Contested Knowledges

📍 FSE024 (Faculty of Education Sciences)

19:00 - 20:30

RC34

19:00 - 20:30

560 RC34 Business Meeting

Wednesday, 9 July 2025

09:00 - 10:45

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

561 Jeunes Ruraux: Injustices Multiformes

📍 ASJE011 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

562 Youth Sociology in the Digital Era (1) the Brics

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

11:00 - 12:45

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563 Youth in Latin America and the Caribbean: Policies, Youth Resistance and Impact on Inequalities and Injustices

📍 ASJE011 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

11:00 - 12:45

564 Youth Sociology in the Digital Era (2)

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

13:00 - 14:45

RC34

13:00 - 14:45

565 Examining Contemporary Youth Transitions through Qualitative Longitudinal Research (1)

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

15:00 - 16:45

RC34

15:00 - 16:45

566 Examining Contemporary Youth Transitions through Qualitative Longitudinal Research (2)

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC42

15:00 - 16:45

JS-151 Political Socialization of Younger Generations: Participation, Beliefs, Attitudes and Knowledge (1).

📍 SJES025 (Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

Thursday, 10 July 2025

09:00 - 10:45

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

567 Islands of Youth Belonging: Between Processes of Mobilities and Territories (1)

📍 ASJE011 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

568 Transnational Dimension of Youth Political Participation

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

11:00 - 12:45

RC34

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569 Islands of Youth Belonging: Between Processes of Mobilities and Territories (2)

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

13:00 - 14:45

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570 Youth Futures in the Global South (1) Aspiration

📍 ASJE011 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC34

13:00 - 14:45

571 Justice, Action and Institutions: Youth Activism and the Future of Democracies

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

15:00 - 16:45

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15:00 - 16:45

572 Youth Futures in the Global South (2) Resistance

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

Friday, 11 July 2025

09:00 - 10:45

RC34

09:00 - 10:45

573 How Can Sociology of Youth Research Catalyse Radical Social Change and Intergenerational Mobility?

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

RC53

09:00 - 10:45

JS-210 Contested Everyday Temporalities. Children and Youth in Contemporary Changing Worlds.

📍 FSE023 (Faculty of Education Sciences)

11:00 - 12:45

RC34

11:00 - 12:45

574 The Milltown Boys over 50 Years: An Ethnography Reflection on a Career in Youth Studies

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

13:00 - 14:45

RC34

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575 Sociological Understandings of Health and Well-Being Among Young People

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576 Presidential Session: Opportunities for a Global Youth Studies

📍 ASJE006 (Bloc 1, Annex of the Faculty of Legal, Economic, and Social Sciences)

News from the ISA

ISA Solidarity Statement with the Palestinian People

The International Sociological Association (ISA) has been concerned for some time and condemned the acts of violence that have occurred in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Since the beginning of the conflict, the ISA has issued general and critical statements on the conflict and has supported colleagues who have been persecuted and harassed for standing against violence and for defending the human rights and freedoms of the people in these territories (ref. [ISA Statements](#) & [the article by former ISA President Michael Burawoy](#)). This has been done through letters to their academic institutions and issuing public statements. The ISA has also endorsed statements by other organizations and disseminated them through its social media platforms.

The violation of human rights has been increasing exponentially and sustained over time. We observe with great indignation the deterioration of the situation and the deepening and widening of this conflict beyond any limits we could have imagined and are therefore compelled to issue a new declaration.

Israel's relentless assault on Gaza has resulted in 52,535 confirmed deaths, although it is estimated that the actual figure could be closer to 300,000. Around

70% of those killed were women and children. And 118,491 Palestinians have been injured ([as of March 4th, 2025](#)).

Since the 7 October attack that killed 1,200 Israelis, the world has witnessed the Israeli military's indiscriminate bombardment of hospitals, schools, universities, mosques, churches, and areas that the Israeli government has designated as 'safe zones' across Gaza, including after the declared ceasefire.

Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, Médecins Sans Frontières, the International Federation for Human Rights, and the UN Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories have all concluded that Israel is committing genocide in Gaza. Despite formal 'ceasefire' declarations in January 2025, the Israeli military has continued to bomb Gaza, also cutting off electricity and restricting access to water and food.

The continued assault on Gaza is accompanied by a wave of violence and forced displacement in the West Bank, where more than 50,000 Palestinians have been displaced, as well as murderous attacks against Palestinians in Israel. The Israeli

government has also expanded its military operations in Lebanon and Syria and carried out bombings in Iran and Yemen.

We condemn those universities and higher education institutions in Israel that have played a central role in Israel's government settler-colonial and apartheid regime, including their links to military intelligence, epistemicide, and scholasticide.

We recognize and commend the work of Israeli sociologists, academics, and academic institutions who have consistently campaigned against war and genocide, as well as other pro-peace mobilizations and organizations in the country.

We also pay tribute to the academic institutions, colleagues, students, social movements, and organizations that have courageously spoken out against and protested the violation of human rights and the suppression of freedom of expression around the world.

The ISA therefore calls for:

1. An end to the genocide in Gaza and the escalating violence in the West Bank, and a complete end to Israel's military occupation and all colonial practices in these territories, as well as in Lebanon and Syria.
2. An end to the apartheid-like conditions faced by Palestinians with Israeli citizenship; the establishment of conditions that enable the return of Palestinian refugees, including ensuring a viable and dignified life upon return; and the urgent, unimpeded delivery of humanitarian aid—such as food, healthcare, and water—which is currently being obstructed by Israel's government.
3. The protection of academic freedom and freedom of speech for all people, especially faculty and students who research, teach, and speak out against Israel's government's violent practices, both within Israel and globally.

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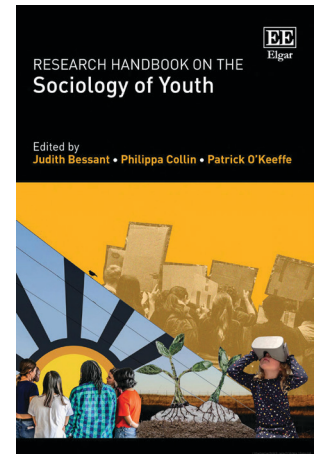
New publications

Research Handbook on the Sociology of Youth

Edited by Judith Bessant, Philippa Collin, and Patrick O'Keeffe

In the new **Research Handbook on the Sociology of Youth**, researchers from the Global North and South examine the social, political, cultural and ecological processes that inform what it means to be young. It explores the diversity of youth experiences and ways young people live their lives, responding to and actively working to overcome inequality, adversity and planetary crises.

[For more information, please visit and explore this publication online](#)

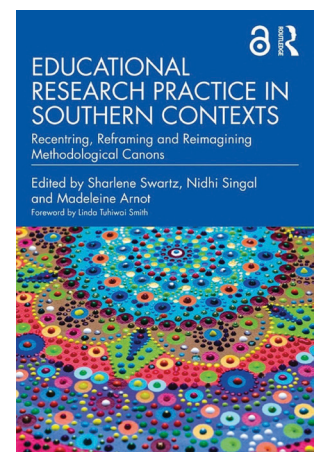


Educational Research Practice in Southern Contexts

Edited by Sharlene Swartz, Nidhi Singal and Madeleine Arnot

Bringing together a unique collection of 18 insightful and innovative internationally focused articles, **Educational Research Practice in Southern Contexts: recentring, reframing and reimagining methodological canons** offers reflections, case studies, and critically, research methods and processes which decentre, reframe, and reimagine conventional educational research strategies and operationalise the tenets of decolonising theory.

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Global Youth Participation Index Report

By Brit Anlar, Nic Cheeseman, Kirstie Lynn Dobbs, Lien Nguyen, Sarah Pickard

The **Global Youth Participation Index (GYPI)** represents the first ever attempt to systematically collect data on the participation of young people in economic, civic and political life. The GYPI scores 141 countries on the extent to which they respect young people's political rights, civil liberties and economic needs, and enable them to fully participate in political, civic and economic life.

[For more information, please visit and explore this publication online](#)



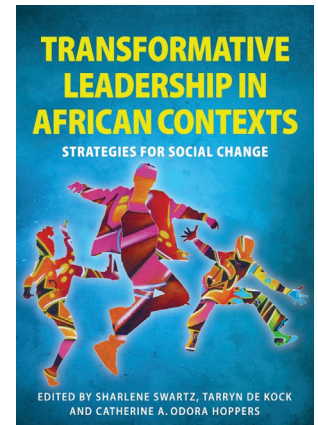
New publications

Transformative leadership in African contexts

Edited by Sharlene Swartz, Tarryn De Kock and Catherine Odora Hoppers

The focus of **Transformative leadership in African contexts: strategies for social change** is on changing power structures and dynamics in society such that people's access to livelihoods, dignity, rights, and wellbeing are systemically ensured. Transformative leadership takes as its unit of influence wider social, political and material issues. Multiple essays offer markers for the way ahead for a new generation who must lead and find their own path to the future.

[For more information, please visit and explore this publication online](#)



Special Issue: Digital citizenship and digital skills

Edited by Airi-Alina Allaste and Natalia Waechter

The special issue of the *Journal of Applied Youth Studies* **Digital citizenship and digital skills** examines the evolving concepts of digital citizenship and digital literacy. Drawing on contributions presented at the ISA Research Committee 34, the collection explores three core themes: the conceptualisation of digital citizenship, the relationship between digital literacy and civic engagement, and the role of social inequalities in shaping digital participation.

[For more information, please visit and explore this publication online](#)



Website refresh

New website for RC34

We have overhauled the website of RC34, with a new design that adheres to the updated ISA standards and a lot of technical changes under the hood.

There is still some handy work that needs to be done, but we thought it's fine to bring it online with a few last kinks to fix. Have a look around!

<https://www.rc34youth.org>



News from the regions

News from Oceania

Virtual Regional Connections

Would you like to connect between conferences with other youth studies people in your region? Here is an initiative VP Oceania has trialed for a year with a fellow RC34 member - Janina Suppers (Waikato University, NZ). *Perhaps you could set one up too?*

The Aotearoa New Zealand Youth Studies Network is a group for postgraduate students at any stage of their studies, academics, researchers and youth workers with an interest in youth studies. This group aims to build connections within New Zealand and Oceania to support research, practice and education within the area of youth studies.

We have around four virtual hui a year where we share our recent research and practice, and get to know each other. We also have a listserve through which we advertise events. Conferences etc and where members can share events and ideas that may be of interest to the group.

If you would like to join or know someone else who might be interested in joining the listserve for this Oceania group, feel free to forward this invite and the listserve sign up link:

[Link to sign-up google form](#)

Send future news—regional & otherwise—to newsletter@rc34youth.org!



Our board

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About RC34

Our aim and structure

The aim of RC34 is to contribute to the development of theory and practice of youth sociology and youth research on an international level, uniting professional knowledge, scientific consciousness, and social commitment of its members to work on problems and issues of youth on a local, regional, and international level.

The work of RC34 is built on regional Vice-Presidencies managing local RC34 activities and networking in their re-

spective areas of the world, along with a Bureau taking care of the membership services and general, strategic affairs connected to the Presidency.

The Committee is constituted by associational principles of individual membership, formal statutes, and a General Meeting every fourth year at the World Congresses, at which a new Executive Board is elected to manage the Research Committee. Business meetings are also held at the ISA Forums.

Our history

The ISA was founded 1948 in close cooperation with UNESCO's Research Department. As peace, education, and youth issues were in the forefront of the postwar, socio-political legacy of this foundation, many of the first officers of ISA were also youth sociologists.

In 1975, the Research Committee for the Sociology of Youth (RC34) was established as a specialized branch of ISA.

“RC34 has been, from its beginning, committed to the heritage of the social and political responsibility of research.”

RC34 was from the beginning not only a network for pure academic youth research, but also committed to the original heritage of social and political responsibility.

This implies standing partnership with multilateral organisations aiming at conflict resolution, peace and the development of civic society.

It is also the policy of RC 34 to invite for membership and participation colleagues from other disciplines as well as practitioners in the youth fields, and then to serve as a global, interdisciplinary network and meeting place for youth issues in general.