

Newsletter

RC 19 – Gender, Politics and Policy

Hello to all RC 19 members – and please distribute this newsletter widely to people who share our interests.

This is a very important newsletter. It tells you how you can participate in the 2009 IPSA Congress in Santiago Chile from July 12 to 16. There will be a pre-conference roundtable on July 11 as well as four panels during the Congress. In addition RC 19 is celebrating its 30th Anniversary and we are going to celebrate. The celebration will be at the close of the pre-conference roundtable on July 11 so plan to be in Santiago to toast 30 years of accomplishment.

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1. IPSA Congress – 2009 Santiago Chile

21st IPSA World Congress
Call for Paper for RC 19 Panels

The Research Committee on Gender, Politics and Policy (RC 19) invites you to submit paper proposal for the following panels:

The panels for RC19 pick up on the dimensions of representation (Yvonne Galligan in the International Political Science Review 28-5) – **who** represents, **what** is represented and **how** it is represented – as a way of looking at the dilemmas of change in an era of global discontent. How can women influence politics and policy? How can politics be engendered globally? What are the new challenges of the present period of global discontent?

Panel 1: Women and Representation – who represents women?

Panel 2: Gender, Women's Interests and Representation

Panel 3: Channels and Mechanisms of Representation

Panel 4: Gender, Representation and the Dilemmas of Change

If you are interested in participating in one of these panels, please send Caroline Andrew at candrew@uottawa.ca as soon as possible the title of your proposed paper and a brief abstract (c. 200 words).

We are also organizing a pre-conference workshop on the day before the Congress – July 11, 2009 on the theme “Opportunities and Constraints for Women in International Feminist Organizing: Institutions and Strategies” in collaboration with RC 52 (Gender, Globalization, and Democratization) and RC 7 (Women, Politics, and Developing Nations). If you are interested in presenting a paper in the pre-conference roundtable, please send Caroline Andrew (candrew@uottawa.ca) your title and a brief abstract (c. 200 words) as soon as possible. You can also send this information to the Chair of Research Committee 52 and 7.

Please send your paper proposal via the paper proposal form on the congress website (www.santiago2009.org) before November 1, 2008.

The International Political Science Association will hold its 21st World Congress in Santiago, Chile, from July 12 to 16, 2009. For more information on the congress, please contact the IPSA World Congress Coordinator at isabel.brinck@ipsa.org.

21^{ème} Congrès mondial de l'AISP

Appel de communication pour les panels du RC 19

Le comité de recherche « Gender, Politics and Policy » (RC19) vous invite à participer au sein de l'un des panels suivants: Les panels du comité de recherche 19 reprennent les dimensions de la représentation (Yvonne Galligan, La revue internationale de science politique, 28-5) – **qui** représente, **qu'est-ce qui** est représenté, et **comment** représenter – pour regarder les dilemmes du changement dans une période de mécontentement global. Comment les femmes peuvent influencer la politique et les politiques? Comment peut-on

marquer par le genre la politique sur un plan global? Quels défis la période actuelle de mécontentement global engendre-t-elle?

Panel 1: Femmes et Représentation : qui représente les femmes?

Panel 2: Les rapports sociaux de sexe, les intérêts des femmes et la représentation

Panel 3: Les canaux et les mécanismes de la représentation

Panel 4: Les rapports sociaux de sexe, la représentation et les dilemmes du changement

Si vous êtes intéressée à participer à l'un de ces panels, prière d'envoyer à Caroline Andrew à l'adresse suivante : candrew@uottawa.ca le plus tôt possible le titre de votre présentation, ainsi qu'un bref résumé (environ 200 mots)

Nous organisons également une table ronde pré-congrès la journée avant le début du congrès – le 11 juillet 2009 sur le thème des opportunités et des contraintes pour les femmes dans l'organisation féministe internationale, comprenant l'analyse des institutions et des stratégies, conjointement avec RC 52 (Gender, Globalization, and Democracy) et RC7 (Women, Politics, and Developing Nations) Si vous êtes intéressée à présenter une communication à la table ronde, prière d'envoyer à Caroline Andrew (candrew@uottawa.ca) le plus tôt possible le titre de votre présentation, ainsi qu'un bref résumé (environ 200 mots). Vous pouvez également envoyer ces informations à la présidente de votre comité de recherche.

Vous devez faire parvenir votre proposition via le formulaire de proposition individuelle disponible sur le site du congrès (www.santiago2009.org) avant le 1 novembre 2008.

Le 21ème congrès mondial de l'Association internationale de science politique se tiendra à Santiago, au Chili, du 12 au 16 juillet 2009. Pour plus d'information à propos du congrès, veuillez contacter la Coordonnatrice au Congrès mondial de l'AISP à isabel.brinck@ipsa.org.

2. Celebration of the 30th Anniversary of RC 19

The first name of RC 19 was 'Sex Roles and Politics' and in 2003, we changed our name to Gender, Politics and Policy. 30 years is an important anniversary and we particularly want to acknowledge and thank the women who created and established RC 19. We only have a partial list of the chairs of RC 19 and we hope that we can complete this list. So please see if you remember some of the former chairs. And watch for additional information on the celebration in the months to come. And mark your calendars – plan to be in Santiago on July 11 to celebrate our 30th anniversary.

Chairs of RC 19

1979 – 82 Margherita Rendel (University of London)

1982 – 85

1985 – 88

- 1988 – 91 Jane Bayes (California State University Northridge)
- 1991 – 94 Socorro Reyes (University of the Philippines)
- 1994 – 97
- 1997 – 00 Janine Mossau-Lavau (Paris)
- 2000 – 03 Laura Guzman (University of Costa Rica)
- 2003 – 06 Marian Sawer (Australian National University)
- 2006 – 09 Caroline Andrew (University of Ottawa)
- 2009 – 12 Melissa Haussman (Carleton University)

3. RC 19 Website

Our website is www.pol.umv.se/ipsa. Malin Wimelius has done a wonderful job setting up the website. You can send material to Malin (email: Malin.Wimelius@pol.umu.se) about upcoming conferences, interesting reports, new books and anything else you would like to see on the website.

Thank you, Malin.

4. New Books

These are some examples of new comparative books on women and politics. Please send other titles and brief descriptions to put on the website.

Abu-Laban, Yasmien (ed) (2008). Gendering the Nation-State: Canadian and Comparative Perspectives. UBC Press.

Childs, Sarah (2008). Women and British Party Politics: Descriptive, Substantive and Symbolic Representation. Routledge.

Grey, Sandra and Marian Sawer (eds) (2008). Women's Movements: Flourishing or in Abeyance. Routledge.

A new book flowing from IPSA activities, *Women's Movements: Flourishing or in Abeyance?*, has just been published by Routledge. It is the result of a Research Committee 19 (Gender, Politics and Policy) Roundtable on women's movements convened by Marian Sawer in Fukuoka in 2006 and edited together with Sandra Grey. The new chair of Research Committee 19, Caroline Andrew of the University of Ottawa, is also a contributor. The book makes an original contribution to social movement theory and tests the concept of social movement 'abeyance' in a range of countries-including Australia, Canada, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, the United Kingdom

and the United States. It contests theories that assume that the life span of social movements is determined by the transitory nature of disruptive collective action and provides evidence of the diverse repertoires employed by women's movements over time and place. It includes the voices of young activists and an account of the new spaces that they occupy, from multilateral institutions to the music scene and the worldwide web.

Hausman, Melissa and Birgit Sauer (eds) (2007). Gendering the State in the Age of Globalization: Women's Movements and State Feminism in Postindustrial Democracies. Rowman and Littlefield.

5. Upcoming Conferences and Calls for Proposals

From the PSA Women and Politics group – web site: <http://psawomenpolitics.wordpress.com/>

First European Conference on Politics and Gender
21 to 23 January 2009
Queen's University Belfast
Belfast, Northern Ireland

CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadline: 1 June 2008

The ECPR Standing Group on Gender and Politics invites panel and paper proposals for the First European Conference on Politics and Gender (ECPG). The conference aims to bring together scholars engaged in cutting-edge research on a wide range of topics related to gender and politics. Scholars from member and non-member institutions of the ECPR are welcome to apply. The program will include a keynote address given by Judith Squires from the University of Bristol, as well as a roundtable on current European Union-funded gender and politics projects. The conference will be organized around ten sections, convened by the following scholars:

- Social Movements – Lee Ann Banaszak
- Political Parties and Representation – Joni Lovenduski
- Sexuality and the Body – Joyce Outshoorn
- Methods and Methodologies – Jacqui True
- Violence, War, and Security – Lene Hansen
- Development and Democracy – Shirin Rai
- States and Public Policies – Amy Mazur
- Identity and Multiculturalism – Sawitri Saharso
- Citizenship – Birte Siim
- Feminism and the International – Christine Sylvester

Proposals should be sent by email to the conference secretary Jemima Repo (jemima.repo@helsinki.fi). Acceptance of papers and panels will be confirmed by 1 September 2008.

Proposals for individual papers should include the name, affiliation, and contact details for all paper authors, a 200-word abstract and paper title, as well as indicate which section the paper is for.

Proposals for whole panels should include the full details for each paper (see above), a panel synopsis, as well as names, affiliations, and contact details for the panel chair and discussant. The Standing Group on Gender and Politics was founded in 1985 as the Standing Group on Women and Politics. It currently has 300 members from all over the world. For more information on the conference, please visit:

http://www.essex.ac.uk/ecpr/standinggroups/ecpg_home.aspx. The next ECPG conference will be held in 2011

6. Joining RC 19

Nothing could be simpler. Send me a message – candrew@uottawa.ca – and include your full address and e-mail. And tell other people who have interests around gender, politics and policy to become members.

And send things to me for the Newsletter and to Malin Wimelius for the web site.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in Santiago for the pre-conference roundtable, for the Congress and for our celebrating 30 years of working together in RC 19.

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