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is delighted to announce that its ninth Olomouc autumn sociological conference is organised under the auspices of the Czech Sociological Society and with international participation. The conference theme is

Family relations (not only) in sociological perspective

Especially in recent decades, sociology has been confronted with fundamental changes in social and family reality. Sociological studies reveal increased diversity and de-standardization of family forms and configurations, patterns of formation, or family relationships. The reference framework for the interpretation of the ongoing family transformation has until recently been mainly provided by the theory of individualization. Most recently sociology rediscovered relationality, embeddedness, belongingness. The emphasis on research into these aspects in extended family / relatives, prompts the formulation of the thematic objective of the conference: to contribute to understanding family relationships "beyond the boundaries" of the nuclear family in their complexity, formability, diversity with respect to the various structural and situational contexts. Attention is paid not only to the relationships between adult family generations, but also to the relatively neglected intra-generational relationship – between adult siblings, brother-in-law / sister-in-law.

The theme of the conference can be approached through different disciplines – besides sociological contributions, contributions from fields such as social anthropology of family and kinship, family pedagogy, family psychology, demography, gender studies, etc. are also welcome.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

prof. Ingrid Arnet Connidis, Ph.D. University of Western Ontario, Canada

prof. Dr. Phil. Gerlinda Šmausová, Priv. Doz.

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In addition to the thematic section, the conference will also have an open section. Its aim is to create a forum for the presentation and discussion of research results and theoretical research from various areas of society. Previous sociological conferences in Olomouc have shown that it is very beneficial to discuss what we are working on, what topics we are dealing with, how we develop theory and methodology, how we describe and analyse society, and so on.

When selecting abstracts, we will give preference to contributions based on empirical data. When selecting papers focusing on sociological theories or reflection on methodology, we will prefer those including original contributions.

We also welcome students of bachelor's, master's and doctor's degree, who can apply for any of the two parts of the conference.

The conference will take place from 16th October (opening at around 2 pm) to 18th October 2019 in Olomouc.

The conference language is Czech / Slovak and English.

If you are interested in attending the conference, please submit a completed application form; if you are interested in active participation, fill in also the title and abstract of your contribution no later than June 30, 2019 (http://bit.ly/olomoucconference).

The conference fee, which will be used to cover conference materials and refreshments, was set at CZK 1,000. Full-time students pay a conference fee of 300 CZK.

By the end of July 2019, the Conference Committee will send to all registered participants detailed information on the inclusion of the selected contributions to the conference program, the method of payment of the conference fee and the planned course of the conference.

Conference Committee:

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