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see ISSR Web Site: www.sisr-issr.org

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See Local Committee Web Site:
[http://www.sisr-
issr.org/Conference/English/default.htm](http://www.sisr-issr.org/Conference/English/default.htm)

WARNING
Neither the ISSR/SISR nor the Local
Committee can be held responsible for any
accidents that may occur to conference
participants and their property on the way
to and from the conference venue or during
the conference. The ISSR/SISR strongly
advises all participants to purchase their
own travel insurance

See you in Turku-Åbo next June!

Letter from the President

This issue of Network contains information and forms concerning the upcoming conference of the ISSR, which will take place in Turku/Åbo, Finland at the end of June. The most important, is information and forms for registration. You must register in order to deliver a paper at the conference. The deadline for registration for paper presenters is **May 15, 2013**. The newsletter also contains information and forms for (renewing) membership in the Society. For information on the conference itself and the final program, we invite you to visit the ISSR's web site, where we also encourage you to register for the conference and renew your membership, if applicable.

In this context, a number of helpful reminders:

If you have not already done so, please do not delay in renewing your membership for the 2012-2013 period. The place to do this is directly through our web site www.sisr-issr.org (click on "Join") and, if at all possible, electronically. It is still possible to do this by regular mail, however. As noted, the form can be found here in this newsletter.

The web site is also the place to find all the technical information that you will need to attend the conference, including details about accommodation and travel, tours that you can take while you are there, and sundry practical information (you can get to this part of the web site either directly from the home page or from "Conferences").

Registration this year will also be done through the web site. The facility is now available on the web site. You may also register using the form in this newsletter. Please be reminded that you must register in order to deliver a paper at the conference. The deadline for registration for paper presenters is **May 15, 2013**. If, for technical, visa, or other reasons, this will not be possible in your case, please contact the General Secretary at generalsecretary.issr@unipd.it.

And finally, another reason that it is important to be a member is that only members will be able to vote in this year's Council elections and to vote on the adoption of a the new legal status of the Society.

I very much look forward to meeting you all (again) in June! I am certain it will be a fantastic conference.

Peter Beyer
President, ISSR

Information from the Local Committee

Contact Local Committee

Chair of the Local Committee, **Tuomas MARTIKAINEN** (tuomas.martikainen@abo.fi)

Secretary of the Local Committee, **Marcus MOBERG** (marcus.moberg@abo.fi)

Accommodation: Hotels and University Residences (and for more information and useful links)

Please, check the **web site** of the Local Committee:

<http://www.sisr-issr.org/Conference/English/default.htm>

IMPORTANT REMINDER

All colleagues presenting a paper at the conference, chairing a session or being a discussant in a session HAVE TO BE MEMBERS of the ISSR in 2012-2013.

To pay the membership, see:

www.sisr-issr.org or the **membership form** in the next pages

Moreover you are requested to register
in the Conference **within May 15th**.

WHO DOES NOT REGISTER WITHIN THAT DATE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAMME

We suggest you to register as soon as you read this reminder: it takes just 5 minutes! Please see the following pages.

Conference Fees	
Payment can ONLY be made in Euros	
Categories	Paying before May 15
Full members	87 €
Members with reduced fees (*)	44 €
Non-members (**)	109 €

(*) This category of fees is available to members from countries with weak currency, students, unemployed, retired colleagues, partners (couple) of full members and researchers under 35 years of age.

(**) Non-members assisting without presenting a paper, chairing a session or being a discussant in a session.

**PLEASE, DO REGISTER AS SOON AS YOU CAN,
BUT IN ANY CASE BEFORE MAY 15th!**

To register, please use the form on the next pages

REGISTRATION FORM for the 32th ISSR-Conference in Turku (June 27 –30, 2013)

If you couldn't fill the Online Form, download this Form and complete it in PRINT or CAPITAL LETTERS, and send it by Email or post **before May 15th 2013**, with your payment (see below) to: Olivier SERVAIS, 15 Place du plat pays, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

Please note that all the requested information is essential for your registration.

Family name: First name:

Ms O Mr O Dr O

Institutional affiliation:

Street: No.....City:

(State:) Zip Code:..... Country:

Telephone:..... Email:

Registration for the conference (Tick the appropriate box)

A – If you are a member in good standing, i.e. having paid your membership fee for 2012-13 and

(1) If you have paid membership at the full rate, your fee is:

87 euros

(2) If you were entitled to a reduced fee, your fee is:

44 euros

B – If you are not a member for 2012-13, your fee is:

109 euros (this rate does not entitle you to present a paper, to chair a session or to be a discussant)

(NB: if you want to become a member for 2012-13 and get the reduced rate, please fill in the form at www.sisr.org)

C – If you want to have your noon lunch (3 lunches, June 28, 29 & 30) at the Conference place

Add 30 euros (package for 3 lunches)

D– If you want to participate to the official Dinner of the Conference (June 29)

Add 40 euros

If you have special dietary restrictions (vegetarian, milk free, etc.) contact : [kadahl@abo.fi](mailto:kadah1@abo.fi)

TOTAL AMOUNT (add A, B, C, & D): _____

Payment can ONLY be made in euros by one of the following three methods (Please tick the appropriate box):

The total amount above will be paid as follows:

by **credit card**, with the Online payment system of the ISSR in its Website

by **bank transfer** of the net sum in Euros to the account of the SISR :
777-5953575-82 at BELFIUS, 15 Place du Plat Pays, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium/Belgique
BIC - Swift code: GKCCBEBB; IBAN: BE25 7775 9535 7582
And, in addition, **your family name and first name**

by **International Money Order from a European Post Office**, net in Euros, payable to the order of
Olivier Servais, 15 Place du Plat Pays, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium/Belgique
And, in addition, **your family name and first name**.....

**ELECTIONS will be organized in april 2013
for VACANT POSITIONS on the Council**
(General Secretary, Canada, France, United Kingdom)

**WHO is going to be
invited to vote for
council members in
april?**

MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING

According to art. 11 b of the present Statutes, membership shall be forfeited:

- a) by resignation in writing to the General Secretary;
- b) subsequent to non-payment of the annual dues at the end of the second year.

Consequently, ballots will be sent **only to members in good standing: this means those who have paid their membership dues for 2012-2013**

**WE CALL UPON
MEMBERS TO PAY
THEIR MEMBERSHIP
FEES**

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2012-13,
find the forms you need below or on
our web site
www.sisr-issr.org

ADVERTISEMENT
on ISSR Membership or Membership Renewal Form
2012-2013

**Before filling out the form in paying your 2012-2013 dues,
please read this information**

SISR memberships are valid for the bi-annual period in progress (currently 2012-2013) whatever the date of dues payment might be.

These dues give you the right to:

- SISR [membership](#)
- a twice-yearly [newsletter](#)
- discounted registration fees at our [biennial conferences](#)
- for full members, subscription to the [review Social Compass](#) (8 issues during the bi-annual period in progress).

Three rates have been decided by the General Assembly:

- **Full members**
149 Euros (€)
- **Students, unemployed, young researchers, retirees and partners of members (couples)**
75 Euros (€)
- **Members coming from a country with weak currency**
54 Euros (€)

Ordinary rates and discount rates:

- Full membership is standard; it alone includes regular delivery of the review Social Compass. For this reason it is preferred even by members who could opt for a lower rate.
- In fact lower rates are maintained out of a **logic of solidarity among members, based on their varying possibilities of contributing to expenses**: thus normally reduced rates only come to bear **when people are paying the dues out of pocket and their resources are more reduced than usual**. Sometimes the criteria are obvious, such being a student or unemployed. Sometimes the criteria are to be judged by the person concerned: being a “young researcher” or member from a “country with a weak currency” can cover a range of resources. The reduced contributions thus constitute a **provision when necessary and not a formal obligation**. Potential beneficiaries will thus evaluate the need in their own situation while aware that many colleagues, even if they formally have the right, estimate not to have to take advantage of the reductions, thus contributing to leaving that advantage to those for whom it counts.
- “Countries with weak currency” are those NOT appearing on the following list : Andorra, Australia, Bahamas, België/Belgiën/Belgique, Bermuda, Brunei, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Deutschland, Ellas, España, France, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italia, Japan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Nederland, New Zealand, Norge, Österreich, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera, Singapore, Suomi/Finland, Sverige, Taiwan, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States.

Reduced rates and offers from Sage:

- In 2012-2013, the editor Sage is offering a limited number of free online accesses to the

review Social Compass to benefit specific categories of members having had to opt for reduced rate membership;

- Conditions:

- Having paid your membership dues as a member from a country with a weak currency or as a young researcher;
- Submitting a request, in addressing : sisr.services@gmail.com
- attribution is limited by the amount available.

ISSR MEMBERSHIP or MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2012-2013

Print, fill out in **CAPITAL LETTERS OR TYPE WRITTEN** and send **by ordinary mail**, whilst making your payment. Addressed to: O. Servais, , 15 Place du Plat Pays, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium/Belgique
CAUTION: Not complying with any of these conditions will prevent our completing the procedure !

Family name: **First name:**

Mister Madam Miss

Personal address:

Street: N°: City or Town:

Postal code:..... Country:.....

Telephone: Email:

Professional address:

Institution:

Street: N°: City or Town:

Postal code: Country:.....

Telephone: Email:

Membership for the indivisible, bi-annual 2012-2013 period, at the following rate:

(consult the information provided, then check the suitable box):

(1) → **149 €: Full membership**, subscription to 8 issues of Social Compass included

(2) **reduced rates at 75 €**, without a Social Compass subscription:

student, adjoining a certificate of proof to this form;

unemployed, adjoining a certificate of proof to this form;

young researcher under 35 years of age, adjoining a certificate of proof from the department head to this form;

partner (in a couple) of an ordinary member whose name is:

retired member

(3) → **54 €: Member coming from a country with weak currency** (see information provided)

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