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The 5th Conference of the European Sociological Association

VISIONS AND DIVISIONS

CHALLENGES TO EUROPEAN SOCIOLOGY

August 28 – September 1
2001, Helsinki, Finland
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THE EUROPEAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION hosts its Fifth Conference on August 28 – September 1, 2001 at the University of Helsinki, Finland. The Conference theme is **Visions and Divisions**. The following major topics will be explored:

- 1. Divisions in Europe and Global Challenges**
 - Borders and boundaries within and beyond Europe
 - Multilayered citizenship, democracy and human rights
 - National and supranational elites
 - Divided cities
- 2. Theoretical Di/visions**
 - Theoretical integration versus pluralism?
 - Nation – State – Society
 - Trust, uncertainty and risk
 - Networks and the embodied subject
- 3. New and Old Social Divisions**
 - Ethnicity and nationalism
 - Genders
 - Class and life-style groups
 - Migration
 - Age and generation
- 4. New Technologies and New Visions of Society**
 - Information technology, work and social relations
 - Biotechnologies and human reproduction
 - New media and virtual societies

The program is divided into plenaries, research network sessions, and streams. There will also be the popular 'Meet the Author' sessions.

The permanent Research Networks of the ESA:

- *Ageing in Europe*
- *Biographical Perspectives on European Societies*
- *Disaster and Social Crisis*
- *Economic Sociology*
- *Environment & Society*
- *Gender Relations, the Labour Market and the Welfare State*
- *Globalization*
- *Industrial Relations, Labour Market Institutions and Employment*
- *Mass Media & Communications*
- *Qualitative Methods*
- *Regional Network on Southern European Societies*
- *RENCORE: Methods of Comparative Research on Europe*
- *Science and Technology*
- *Social Movements*
- *Social Policy*
- *Social Theory*
- *Sociology of the Arts*
- *Sociology of Consumption*
- *Sociology of Families*
- *Sociology of Professions*
- *Youth and Generation*

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The preliminary program will be presented in the Second Conference Announcement in September 2000. This information will also be available at the ESA homepage.

Registration and abstracts (maximum 250 words) should be sent to the Conference Secretariat, preferably by internet: www.congcreator.com/esa2001/ (accessible also via the ESA homepage) or by e-mail:

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Abstracts should be sent before January 30, 2001.
Notification of acceptance of the abstract will be sent before April 1, 2001.

The President of the Republic Ms. Tarja Halonen is the High Patron of the conference.

Host City

Helsinki, the capital of Finland, is a city of half a million inhabitants, well known for its neoclassical, art nouveau and modernist architecture. The city centre with the university is situated on a peninsula surrounded by the sea. With its attractive coastline and beautiful archipelago, as well as its many museums and cultural events, it offers a large choice of tours and excursions. Helsinki is a safe and reliable destination which is easy to reach from all over the world.

Accommodation

A wide range of hotels have been booked, most of which are in the city centre and within easy walking distance from the conference venue. Special conference rates will be available. About one fourth of the rooms are available in student hostels.

Leisure Program

The leisure program will include receptions by the University and by the City of Helsinki and a Closing Party, as well as specially designed tours of Helsinki and its surroundings.

Post-Conference Tour

A post-conference tour will be arranged to St Petersburg, Russia.

SAS is the official carrier of the conference