



Call for Papers

European Sociological Association

Research Network Sociology of Families and Intimate Lives (RN13)

Interim Meeting, Bristol, UK

7th-9th July 2016

Parenthood: Perspectives on Family Lives

Research on parents, parenting and parenthood is a major part of sociological work on family life as it addresses a variety of concerns such as: the role of government in family life; the ongoing of changing importance of longstanding social divisions; the nature of intergenerational relationships; the significance of biology for the construction of our personal lives. This conference seeks to include both current sociological research addressing the topic of parenthood and work that cuts across disciplinary boundaries. Abstracts are invited that relate to one of the following themes or for an open stream that engages with the meeting theme:

- Ageing and Care
- Fathers and Fatherhood
- Feminisms, Gender and Parenting
- Historical Perspectives
- Socio-Legal Parenthood
- Parenting and Ethics
- Migration
- Measuring Parenting
- Mothers and Motherhood
- Reproductive Technologies
- Policy and Politics
- Theorising Contemporary Parenthood
- Work-Family Conflicts and Solutions

Abstracts of approx. 500 words outlining (as appropriate) the research question, theoretical approach, methodology, and research findings should be submitted to esther.dermott@bristol.ac.uk by the **31st December 2015**.

Conference attendance is free to members of the ESA RN13 members; £25 for non-members.

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