Call for Papers for the Session

Spatial Analysis

at the 9th International Conference on Social Science Methodology (RC33), University of Leicester (United Kingdom)

Conference Date: September 11th – 16th, 2016

Submission Deadline for Papers: 21st January, 2016

Conference Website

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Session Topic

This session aims at exploring new developments in spatial methods, seeing space either as dependent or independent variable: Researchers can ask how people think about space and construct space or they can see space as a relevant frame for social action that influences social life.

The session builds on the discussion started at the "8th International Conference on Social Science Methodology" (Sydney, 2012) and in the HSR Special Issue "Spatial Analysis in the Social Sciences and Humanities" (2014) which was continued at the "World Congress of Sociology" (Yokohama 2014) and the "6th Conference of the European Survey Research Association" (Reykjavik 2015).

Papers should address one of the questions below either at a more general methodological level or using a concrete example in a specific research project:

- 1. Which qualitative and/or quantitative methods are best suited for which kind of theoretical problems?
- 2. What methodological innovations concerning the spatial can be observed? (How) can traditional sociological or geographical methods be adjusted to address spatial problems within sociology?
- 3. Which sampling strategies are appropriate for spatial problems?
- 4. What are the specific data requirements for spatial analysis, and how can these data be collected?
- 5. Which strategies of data analysis are appropriate for spatial analysis?

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How to Submit an Abstract

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- 2. Complete the form in full. You may wish to cut and paste your abstract into the Abstract field from another document.
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