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Letter from the President

Dear RC42 Members,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Juan Castillo, and as the president of RC42 (elected at the last ISA World Congress in Melbourne 2023), I am delighted to connect with all of you and look forward to working together to advance our shared interests and goals within the International Sociological Association (ISA).

I am excited to announce the launch of our new website! This platform will serve as a central hub for all RC42 activities, providing updates, resources, and opportunities for collaboration. I encourage you to explore the site and share your feedback of this first draft version: <https://isa-rc42.netlify.app/>

In addition, we have been working on the new statutes of the board, aiming to make our governance structure more inclusive and efficient. More details are found on the next page, and we welcome any input or suggestions you may have regarding these changes.

Thank you for your continued commitment to RC42. I look forward to our collective efforts in the coming months!

Warm regards,

Juan Castillo



RC42 Statutes

As required by the ISA periodically, the Board has relooked at the research committee's statutes and aligned them to current best practice.

Changes include promoting interdisciplinary collaboration with other RCs.

In addition, with regard to elected Officers of the RC, the position of vice-president, to assist the president, in duties that will be delegated, is proposed, and past presidents can be ex-officio members.

The appointment of an online communications manager is recommended.

It is proposed that the board size, ranges between a minimum of five, to a maximum of 12 members.

Consecutive terms for executive positions on the Board are limited to two for the President, and three for the Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer.

The statutes around elections of office bearers have been revised, with an appointed electoral officer publishing an online call for nominations four months before the closing deadline of an election.

The changes furthermore provide the possibility for an online election, with the ballot being available eight weeks before the closing deadline for the election.

The term of the Board runs between consecutive World Congresses, with the President having the power to fill temporary vacancies.

In the final instance it is possible for members in-good standing to propose changes to these statutes in writing, with the support of at least 20. These must be approved by either an online ballot, or at a Business Meeting, requiring a two-thirds majority.



New Book Announcement

RC42 is pleased to announce the publication of a new book “[Chile en movimientos](#)” coordinated by Karla Henríquez and Geoffrey Pleyers . The book offers an insight into the vitality and varied tensions of social movements in Chile. It represents a collective effort to understand the moment these movements are going through in the context of the instability of society as an effect of the processes that cross it. This makes this book not only a contribution to thinking about the present, but also a contribution to beginning to define the interstices from which we must seek to interrogate the future.



The 5th ISA Forum of Sociology will take place in Rabat, Morocco on July 6-11, 2025. This is the first ISA Forum to be held in the region and specifically in a country that is known for being at the crossroads of civilizations spanning the Mediterranean, the Middle East and Africa. This unique geographic location, and the campus of Mohammed V University where we will be hosted, is the perfect setting for the intense intellectual debates that are foreseen around the theme “Knowing Justice in the Anthropocene”. The dates of the Forum provide us with the opportunity to engage these debates in our Forum and in a sociological film festival that will be open to the public, just before the city will turn its gaze from sociology to football as host of the 2025 Africa Cup of Nations.

We are pleased to announce that RC42 has sponsored ~15 sessions for the ISA Forum to be held in Rabat next July. We have a wide range of social psychological topics, from the sociology of emotions to the positionality of researcher-activists.



Webinar

WEBINAR (only in English) : Childhoods and the global polycrisis: New directions for critical childhood studies.

6th December 2024, **5-6:30 pm London Time (14-15:30 Brazilian Time), ONLINE.**

[Pre-registration is essential.](#) A zoom link will be send to you after you register.

More information in: <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/institute-of-advanced-studies/events/2024/dec/childhoods-and-global-polycrisis-new-directions-critical-childhood-studies>

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