



From the Editor

Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the second issue of 2021. Contributions in this July issue come from authors based in Greece, Brazil, Spain and Taiwan. The contributions present diverse topics of debate related to universalisms and particularism, sociology and law, and the participation of young scholars in sociological events. Furthermore, “In conversation with Chin-Chun Yi” provides inspiring reflections about family and youth research, how young sociologists can shape their interests, and universalism and particularisms, which resonates with our first contribution in this issue.

The first contribution is a comment by Apostolos G. Papadopoulos of the Harokopio University of Athens (Greece) about the relevant topic of particularism in times of universalism. The author states that the articulation of universalistic and particularistic components remains a challenging task, especially for social scientists, and develops inspiring insights about this challenge in the sociological field.

The contribution by Gabriel S. Cerqueira of the Universidade Federal Fluminense (Brazil), is an essay that analyses the legal journalism through a case study of the academic legal periodicals in the Brazilian First Republic (1889-1930). The contribution aims to highlight the importance of these sources in empirical research on socio-legal themes, but also of the usefulness of thinking of them as an interesting object for researching national legal cultures.

The first ESA Hackathon is at the core of the reflection of students in Sociology: María del Carmen Fresnedoso Molero, Jacinto Gutiérrez Lorca, Johaniel Llopis Gadea and Samuel Núñez González of the University of Granada (Spain). The authors share the aim of the ESA event, their contribution and their views from inside, and also as winners of the competition. They express the relevant role of sharing experience and knowledge across diverse sociologists and professionals.

The final contribution is a conversation with Chin-Chin Yi, distinguished research fellow at the Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan. The experience and reflections shared in the interview will inspire other works around the world, specially for those dedicated to family and youth research. Furthermore, the reader will find insights about the role of passion for sociology and how to select a genuine and sincere subject to study.

As in previous issues, I would like to invite sociologists from all over the world and in different stages of their careers, to send their proposals for publication in *eSymposium*. If you have proposals, suggestions, works in progress or other ideas, do not hesitate to share them with me and I will be very pleased to provide feedback.

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