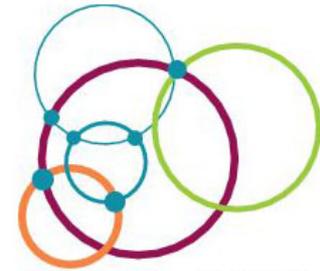


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**Call for papers : The Social Reproductive Worlds of Migrants**  
**Joint RC06 Family Research (Host) and RC31 Sociology of Migration session**

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While research highlights the role inward migration plays in meeting the social reproductive needs of migrant-receiving societies, less attention is paid to the social reproductive aspects of migrants' lives. In the context of the increasing volume in international migration and its feminisation, and the increasingly instrumentalist and economic approach to migration-entry regimes, it is critical that migration and family policies begin to acknowledge that a production system cannot operate without a reproduction system (Truong, 1996).

This joint (RC06 and RC31) paper presentation session, invites papers that contribute to developing a research agenda on the social reproductive worlds of migrants. Social reproduction incorporates family building through relationship formation and procreation, and the ongoing care required in the maintenance of people on a daily basis across the life-course. Thus, we seek contributions that examine how during processes of migration, families are formed, procreate and care.

Possible areas include:

- 1) spatial and temporal configurations of how migrants organise their social reproductive worlds, and how these relate to the patterning of opportunities and constraints rendered by public policies in both countries of origin and of destination;
- 2) the role of managed migration strategies in the development of patterns of 'stratified social reproduction' (Kraler, 2010) among migrants;
- 3) how, to what extent and under which conditions transnational family dynamics and solidarities provide kin members with a safety net and greater opportunities to access and claim rights to social protection;
- 4) the gendered nature of migrants' social reproductive worlds, including male as well as female migrants.

Submission deadline : **30 September 2015**. Abstracts of max 300 words should be submitted online through this link : <http://www.isa-sociology.org/forum-2016/>