SUS.DIV Third General Assembly
20th -21st September 2007
Center for Economic Research and Environmental Strategy (CERES)
Athens, Greece

Wednesday 19th September

16:00 –17:30 “Office hours” (Valeria at full disposal for management issues e.g. reporting, funding, etc…)
18:00 – 20:00 Meeting of the Executive Committee

Thursday 20th September

9:00 – 10:00 Welcome by Valeria Papponetti, FEEM and Maddy Janssens, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- Reviewers’ comments and our actions
- Call for chapters
- New external partners: Centro de Investigación y Promoción del Campesinado (CIPCA, Bolivia) and Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC, South Africa)

10:00 – 11:00 Parallel session I: Paper presentations “Organisations”
Chair: Zdenek Uherek, Institute of Ethnology of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic
Motivated information processing and group creativity
Myriam N. Bechtoldt, Carsten K.W. De Dreu & Bernard A. Nijstad, University of Amsterdam
Discussant: John Betancur, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs
Shifting conceptualizations of diversity and diversity management: The discourse on immigrant associations in Sweden (1968-2006)
Kiflemariam Hamde & Nils Wahlin, Umeå University
Discussant: Sandra Schrüijer, Tilburg University/Utrecht University

Parallel session II: Papers presentations “Nation state and beyond”
Chair: John Crowley, CIR
Immigrants in Turkey: An evaluation from the perspective of entrepreneurship
Tüzin Baycan Levent, Seda Kundak & A. Ahu Gulumser, Istanbul Technical University
Discussant: Durk Gorter, Fryske Akademy
Performance indicators of urban migrant entrepreneurship in The Netherlands
Peter Nijkamp & Mediha Sahin, Free University Amsterdam
Discussant: Sandra Wallman, University College London

11:00 – 11:30  Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00  Parallel session I: Paper presentations “Organisations”

**Chair: Angela Nilsson, CEIFO, Stockholm University**

What makes an organization inclusive? Work contexts and diversity management practices favoring ethnic minorities’ inclusion

*Maddy Janssens & Patrizia Zanoni, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Tilburg University*

Discussant: Alexandra Bitusikova, Matej Bel University

Offshoring and immigrant employment: Firm-level theory and evidence

*Giorgio Barba Navaretti, Giuseppe Bertola & Alessandro Sembenelli, Centro Studi Luca d’Agliano, Università di Milano & Università di Torino*

Discussant: Dafne Reymen, IDEA Consult

Socially rejected while cognitively successful?

*Sandra Schruier & Peter Curseu, Utrecht University, Tilburg University*

Discussant: Giovanni Prarolo, FEEM

**Parallel session II: Papers presentations “Nation state and beyond”**

**Chair: Lena Tsipouri, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**

The impact of foreign direct investments (FDI) on socio-economic diversity in Bulgaria

*Iskra Christova-Balkanska, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*

Discussant: Rob De Lobel, IDEA Consult

Market and Nation. A conceptual outline on diversity and sustainability in modern Europe (19th and first half of the 20th century)

*Francesco Chiapparino & Roberto Giulianelli, Università Politecnica delle Marche (Ancona)*

Discussant: Susanne Kuechler, University College London

Attitudes on diversity

*Yilmaz Esmer, Bogazici Universitesi*

Discussant: Raffaele Bracalenti, Instituto Psicoanalitico per le Richerche Sociali

13:00 – 14:00  Lunch

14:00 – 16.00  Parallel session I: Paper presentations “Cities”

**Chair: Romi Mukherjee, CIR**

What is in a sign? A linguistic econometric study of multilingualism

*Jasone Cenoz, Durk Gorter, Laura Onofri & Paulo A.L.D. Nunes, Universidad del Pais Vasco, Fryske Akademy, University of Bologna, FEEM*

Discussant: Peter Nijkamp & Mediha Sahin, Free University Amsterdam

London project: Work in progress

*Susanne Kuechler & Sandra Wallman, University College London*

Discussant: Laszlo Kurti, University of Miskolc
The relationship between children’s identity and spatial perception within the context of religious architecture in Northern Ireland.

*Hisham Elkadi, Jenny Millar & Karen McPhillips, University of Ulster*

*Discussant: Patrizia Riganti, University of Nottingham*

The Role of Diversity in the Production and Reception of Art in Belfast: *Space Shuttle.*

*Suzanna Chan, Christa-Maria Lerm Hayes & Aisling O’Beirn, University of Ulster*

*Discussant: Rajesh Sachdeva, Central Institute of Indian Languages*

**Parallel session II: Paper presentations “Cities”**

**Chair: Dafne Reymen, IDEA**

Social Diversity and the Czech Environment: Socio-Anthropological Research Projects of Migration groups

*Zdenek Uherek, Institute of Ethnology of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic*

*Discussant: Manuela Hernandez, HEBO*

Authenticity and the Study of Diversity: Context as a Determining Factor of Meaning

*Raffaele Bracalenti & Vanja Stenius, Instituto Psicoanalitico per le Richerche Sociali*

*Discussant: Tom Pellens, Xavier Albó, Fernando Galindo, Centro de Investigación y Promoción del Campesinado*

Innovative cultural practices: local models of Participatory Art Projects in the framework of SUS.DIV. project

*Ljiljana Simic, ORACLE*

*Discussant: Lena Tsipouri, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*

A co-influence approach to shared future urban environments in interface communities

*M. McQueen, H. Elkadi & J. Millar, University of Ulster*

*Discussant: Tüzin Baycan Levent, Istanbul Technical University*

16.00 – 16.30 **Coffee break**

16.30-17.45 **Functioning of SUS.DIV network**

*Communication strategy* by Dafne Reymen, Rob De Lobel, IDEA, Alexandra Bitusikova, Matej Bel University, and Valeria Papponetti, FEEM

*Open Space Workshop SOULDIV* by Ljiljana Simic, ORACLE, and Manuela Hernandez, HEBO

17:45 – 19:30 “Office hours” (Valeria at full disposal for management issues e.g. reporting, funding, etc…)

19:30 **Social dinner in the Park Hotel ‘Roof Garden’**
**Friday 21st September**

9:00 – 10:45  **Task Group Meetings**

10:45 – 11:00  **Coffee break**

11:00 – 12:30  **Parallel session I: Papers presentations “Nation state and beyond”**

*Chair: Laszlo Kurti, University of Miskolc*

Skills migration, FDI and human capital investment  
*Daniele Checchi, Gianfranco De Simone & Riccardo Faini, Università di Milano & IZA, Università di Milano & Centro Studi Luca d’Agliano, Università di Roma “Tor Vergata”, CEPR & IZA*  
*Discussant: Jacques Olivier, Centre for Economic Policy Research*

Diversity and productivity: evidence from European cities  
*Gianmarco I.P. Ottaviano, Giovanni Prarolo & Elena Bellini, FEEM*  
*Discussant: Yannis Katsoulakos, Center for Economic Research and Environmental Strategy*

Diversity in post-socialist Slovakia  
*Alexandra Bitusikova, Matej Bel University*  
*Discussant: Angela Nilsson, CEIFO, Stockholm University*

**Parallel session II: Papers presentations “Nation state and beyond”**

*Chair: Patrizia Riganti, University of Nottingham*

Democracy, Diversity and Development: Planning multilingual education in India  
*Rajesh Sachdeva, Central Institute of Indian Languages*  
*Discussant: Maddy Janssens, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven*

Ethnic entrepreneurship in the USA: Overview and critical notes  
*John J. Betancur, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs*  
*Discussant: John Crowley, Centre Interdisciplinaire de Recherche Comparative en Science Sociales*

The case of Germany: Migrant entrepreneurship is becoming an issue  
*Tanja El-Cherkeh, Hamburg Institute of International Economics*  
*Discussant: Patrizia Zanoni, Tilburg University/Katholieke Universiteit Leuven*

12:30 – 13:30  **Lunch** (and Meeting of Executive Committee and Scientific Committee)

13:30 – 15:00  **Plenary panel discussion**

*Participants: Selma Vanlonden, Myriam Bechtoldt, Raffaele Bracalenti, Giovanni Prarolo, Patrizia Zanoni, Patrizia Riganti, Yilmaz Esmer*  
*Moderator: Maddy Janssens*

15:00  **Closure**

Possible Meeting of Research Task groups