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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

This agreement is between the International Sociological Association (ISA) and the Swedish Sociological Association (SSA). The implementing parties of this agreement will be the ISA and the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) constituted under the auspices of the SSA. The SSA stands responsible for the decision and actions of the LOC. The ISA has appointed Congrex to act as Professional Congress Organiser on its behalf.

The signing parties are: the Presidents of the ISA and SSA, the Treasurer of the SSA, the Chair of the LOC, and the ISA Vice-President for Finance and Membership.

At the invitation of the Swedish Sociological Association, the ISA Executive Committee agreed that the XVII World Congress of Sociology will take place at the University of Goteborg and the Goteborg Convention Centre, on 11-17 July 2010. The aims of the Congress are, first, to advance the field of sociology academically, and secondly, to involve and support professional sociologists throughout the world. The various parties to the Agreement are pledged to prepare and execute the most successful and financially profitable World Congress of Sociology possible, from both an intellectual and an organizational point of view.

There will be three official languages of the Congress: English, French and Spanish but translation will be provided only for the opening and closing plenary sessions.

The working language of the Congress is English. All printed materials will be in English.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The respective responsibilities of the ISA and the LOC will be as follows:

I.A. International Sociological Association

- 1. To prepare the general schedule of the academic program.
- 2. To organize plenary sessions.

- 3. To instruct session organisers about deadlines, rules, etc.
- 4. To post the Call for Papers on the ISA website.
- 5. To instruct participants about deadlines and submission procedures.
- 6. To organize ISA administrative meetings and elections.
- 7. To collect ISA membership payments during the Congress in an ISA booth situated in the registration area.

I.B. Local Organizing Committee

- 1. To design a flyer for the World Congress by January 31st, 2008 (in collaboration with Congrex).
- 2. To design a Congress poster. Drafts should be available by the 2008 EC Meeting.
- 3. To organize production of paraphernalia (T-shirts, logos, souvenirs, etc.) that will be sold at the Congress (in collaboration with Congrex).
- 4. To assume responsibility for the tasks associated with ensuring that the Congress runs smoothly, including at least: establish media relations, develop regional contacts, encourage participation in the Congress, mobilize volunteers, organize local arrangements for the EC and Junior Sociologists' Competition, and coordinate study visits.
- 5. To organize in cooperation with the ISA Programme Committee sessions on Swedish/Scandinavian sociology/social issues.
- 6. To organize the Opening Ceremony on Sunday, July 11, 2010.
- 7. To organize a Congress party and/or any other cultural events provided sponsorship is secured.

II. FINANCES

II.A. Funding

- 1. The LOC will approach appropriate agencies of the Swedish government, foundations, and other possible sponsors to secure general funding for the planning and execution of the Congress. The LOC shall aim to obtain SKR 500,000 in such funding.
- 2. The LOC will seek additional special funds from government and/or foundation sources to finance (meeting rooms, accommodation and food for students and faculty) the one-week seminar preceding the Congress for finalists of the Junior Sociologists' Worldwide Competition, as well as special Ad Hoc and project sessions.
- 3. The LOC will apply in a timely fashion for UNESCO travel grant funds (through the Participatory Programme via the Swedish UNESCO Commission).

- 4. In addition, the ISA and the Local Organizing Committee will collaborate in attempting to secure funds from other sources.
- 5. A Grants Committee, with representatives from the ISA and the Local Organizing Committee, will administer all funds according to the conditions specified by funding agencies. These funds shall be used to assist participation.

II.B. Financial Arrangements

- 1. The registration fees for the XVII World Congress 2010 in Goteborg have been determined by the ISA Executive Committee as specified in *Appendix I*.
- 2. A daily registration fee is not available for program participants (paper givers, discussants, speakers, session organizers, chairs, etc.) who must pre-register before May 31, 2010.
- 3. This agreement is based on the Congress budget (attached as *Appendix II*) which includes the funds allocated to the LOC. The ISA will advance the necessary funds to the Congress account handled by Congrex. All LOC expenses are to be authorized by both the LOC Chair and the LOC treasurer.
- 4. Expenditures for any item of the budget cannot exceed the budget item by more than 10%. Should expenditures under any item of the Congress budget exceed by 10% the amounts indicated or appear to be going to exceed it by 10%, such expenditures will be discussed by all signatories in advance of the problem or as soon as the problem is noted. A joint decision shall be made.
- 5. The LOC accounts will be audited jointly with Congrex accounts. The Auditor's Report will be delivered to the ISA Executive Committee not later than six months after the conclusion of the Congress.
- 6. The LOC will be responsible for receiving and depositing payments for paraphernalia. All profits accruing from these sales shall be shared 50-50 between the LOC and the ISA.
- 7. The expected profit of the Congress will be divided 80-20 between the ISA 80% and the SSA/LOC 20% (except of profit form paraphernalia mentioned in point 6). The division will be based on the Auditor's Report and will be finalised immediately following the acceptance of that report by the ISA Executive Committee.
- 8. Should a deficit be realized, the ISA assumes the responsibility for all authorized expenses.

III. DISPUTES

- 1. In case of disputes arising from this agreement, an arbitration panel composed of a Chair, one representative of the ISA and one representative of the SSA will meet within 30 days to consider the matter.
- 2. It is agreed that Christine Inglis shall act as Chair of the Arbitration Panel. If Christine Inglis should be unavailable, the designated panel members will select an alternative Chair by

mutual consent.

3. Both sides shall be bound by the outcome of that arbitration and waive any right to pursue any further legal action regarding the process or outcome of the arbitration.

IV. AMENDMENTS

1. Any item contained in this memorandum of agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the signing parties between this date and the dates of the Congress.

Agreed and signed on	by the following representatives (all other pages initialled by the same):
Michel Wieviorka President International Sociological Association	Antoinette Hetzler President Swedish Sociological Association
Jan Marie Fritz Vice-President, Finance & Membership International Sociological Association	Ulla Bjornberg Chair Swedish Local Organizing Committee
	Erik Wesser Treasurer Swedish Sociological Association

Appendix I

XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology Goteborg 2010 Congress registration fees in Euro

Regular fees	Before May 31, 2010	After May 31, 2010
Category A	-	-
ISA member	255	300
Non member	355	400
Category B		
ISA member	110	155
Non member	190	235
Category C		
ISA member	85	130
Non member	110	135
Student fees		
all categories A,B,C		
Student ISA member	85	130
Student non member	110	135

Congress registration fees are divided into *Regular* and *Student* fees. Each student must provide a photocopy of her/his valid student card or equivalent. There are different fees available for ISA Members and Non-Members. *ISA Members* are scholars who paid to the ISA Secretariat in Madrid their individual membership fees for the current year.

Regular registration fees have been divided into three categories: A, B, and C. Each participant must identify the category in which her/his country of residence is classified and pay the registration fee corresponding to this category. The table of countries can be found on http://www.isa-sociology.org/table_c.htm

All programme participants (paper givers, session organizers, chairs, discussants, etc.) must register **before May 31, 2010.** Otherwise their names will not appear in the Programme Book and abstracts of their papers will not be published on the Internet.

Daily registration will be available for purchase at the Registration Desk in Goteborg. The daily registration fee of Euro 85 includes:

- Access to Congress Sessions
- Opening Reception
- Congress Programme
- Congress Name Badge

Tickets for the Opening Reception and other social events will be available for purchase by non-registered persons.