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**the Direction of Sociology of Work, Postgraduate Program,
Department of Pedagogy, University of Athens, Greece**

and

the University of Central Greece, Lamia, Greece

it's XXXIII Conference on

**"Supporting Sustainable Communities in times of
Emergency – Participation, Empowerment and Democratic
Innovations at Local Level"**

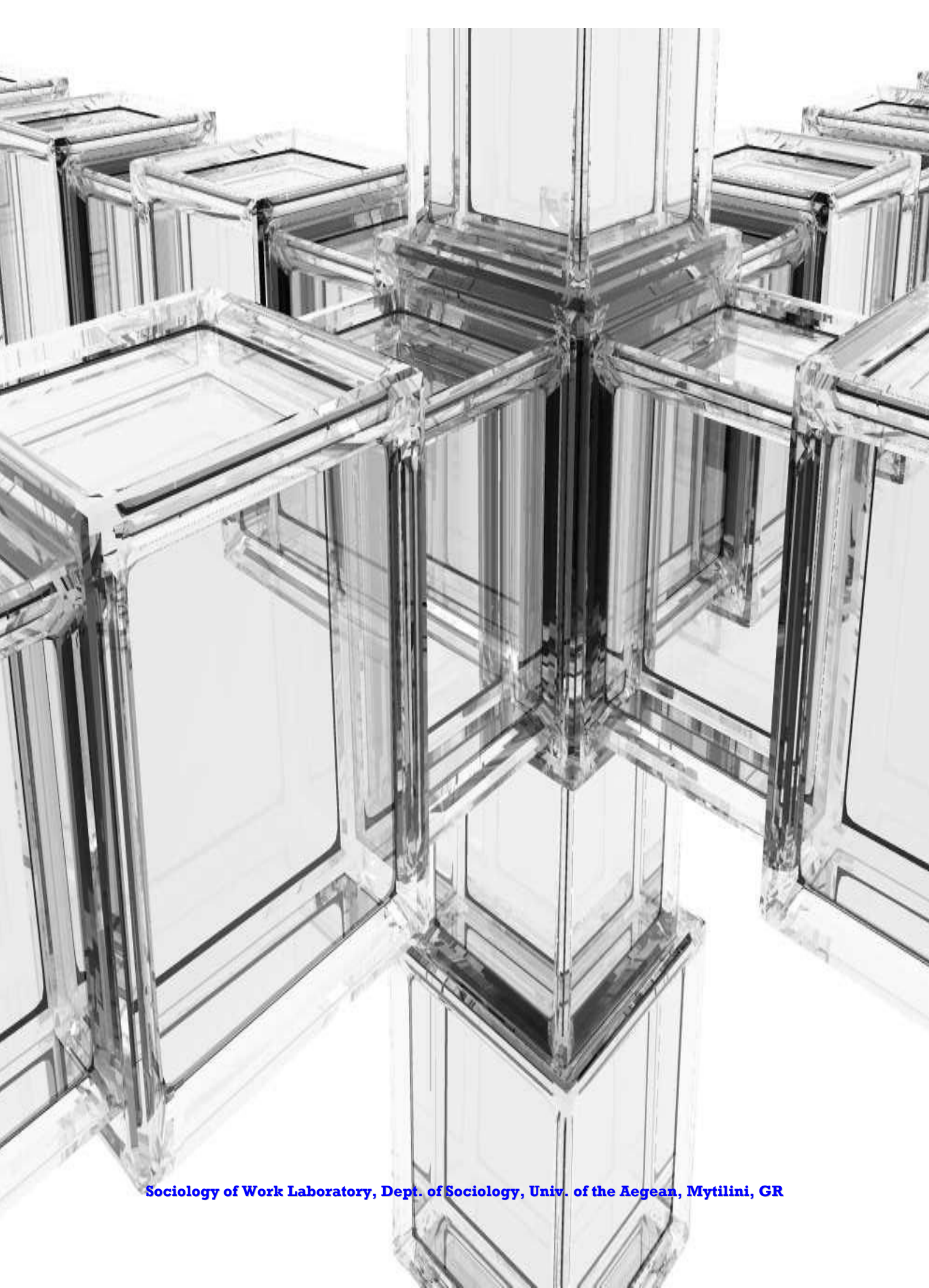
to be held in Athens, Greece on Sept. 14-16, 2011

This is a forum whereby we wish to discuss the diverse aspects of glocalization and the issues of empowering local communities, the role of social capital and the social economy in such processes. The choice of Athens is indicative of our commitment to address current policy issues and dilemmas in one of the currently tried areas whereby social science must respond to a challenging present.

Sociotechnics and sociological practice can produce credible answers to emergent problems of sustainability. The current development dynamics ought to be based upon inclusive policies and the social economy of the communities. Such issues as empowerment and citizenship participation will be presented and debated.

The agenda includes the following topics:

- **The contemporary dynamics of social capital, the impact of globalization on local communities and common perceptions of world tendencies**
- **Social economy innovations and sustainable communities**
- **Inclusive recovery and local city employment governance**
- **Cellular Globalization in between Local and Global social dimensions**
- **Empowerment of citizens/workers/consumers/minorities/youth**
- **Innovative community social development and Education (NGO's, environment/culture/education)**
- **Social policies, entrepreneurship and social cohesion re-examine**



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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Programme
Wednesday 14 Sept.2011	08:30-09.30	<i>Registration</i>
	09.30 -10.30	<i>Welcome and Introductory Notes</i>
	10.30 -12.30	<i>Session 1:Sustainability and Emergency Responses</i>
	12.30 -13.00	KEY NOTE SPEECH
	13:00-13:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
	13:30 14:30	<i>Session 2: Sustaining Communities</i>
	14:30-15.30	<i>Visit to the National Numismatic Museum and its Garden</i>
		<i>Free Afternoon</i>
	20:30	<i>Dinner Platanos-Taverna, Wind Tower, Plaka</i>
Thursday 15 Sept., 2011		
	09:00-09.30	<i>Registration/ Coffee</i>
	09.30 -11.00	<i>Session 3 : Sustaining Communities</i>
	11.00 -11.30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
	11.30 -13.30	<i>Session 4 Participatory Democracy and Local Sustainable Development</i>
	13:30-14.30	<i>Lunch at Titania 10th Floor</i>
	14:30- 16:00	<i>Session 5: Sustaining Regions and Social Capital</i>
	16:00-16:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
	16:30 – 18:00	<i>Session 6: Innovations and New Organisational Forms</i>
19:00-21:00	<i>At PNYX-Democracy Day Celebrations</i>	
Friday 16 Sept., 2011	09:00-09:30	<i>Coffee and Registration</i>
	09:30-11:00-	<i>Session 7 <u>Central and Local</u></i>

		<i>Actors in Managing Territorial Issues</i>
	11:00-11:30	KEY NOTE LECTURE
	11:30-12:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
	12:00-13:30	<i>Session 8 Policy Modalities</i>
	13:30-14:30	<i>Lunch Break TITANIA</i>
	14:30-15:30	<i>Session 9 Social Changes and the Crisis</i>
	15:30-16:30	<i>Panel Discussion</i>
	16:30-17:00	<i>Closing of Conference Coffee Break</i>
	17:00-18:00-	<i>Business Meetings ISA-RC26 Board</i>
	20:30	<i>Optional Dinner at a taverna in Plaka / Akropolis</i>
Post Conference Excursion to Aegina Island on the 17th of June		

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday 14 J Sept., 2011

08:30-09.30 Registration

09.30 -10.30 Welcome and Introductory Notes

*Presentation Dr. George Tsobanoglou., President ISA-RC26
Greetings Associate Prof. D. Panagiotopoulos, University of Central Greece and
the Mayor of Aegina*

10.30 -12.30 Session 1: Sustainability and Emergency Response

*Chairs: Prof. Daskalakis, D. University of Athens, & Tsobanoglou, G. University
of the Aegean University, Greece.*

Mr. Alain COHEUR, President Social Economy Europe, Brussels, BELGIUM

*“Social Economy at the Crossroads : Investing through social economy enterprises
in time of crisis!”*

*Mr. Theodoros PAPALEXOPOULOS, President of “Citizens’ Movement: For an
Open Society”, Athens, GREECE’*

“How to Promote Social Cohesion”

*Dr Dean ANDROMIDAS, The Schiller Institut , Wiesbaden , Germany and Co-
Editor of EIR Strategic Alert, GERMANY*

*“The Way-Out of the Sovereign Debt Crisis: Implementing Glass Steagall
ReForms”*

*Prof. George GANTZIAS, Cultural Management-New Technologies, University of
the Aegean, Mytilini, GREECE*

*“The Info-Communication Industry and the Global info-Cash (GIC): convergence
of Technologies, Markets and Currencies”*

**12.30 13.00 Key Note Lecture Prof. Akira KURASHIMA, KWANSEI GAKUIN
UNIVERSITY, NISHINOMIYA, JAPAN**

*“From Imagination to Intercorporality: a case study of “Face to Face” Relief
Donations in Post 3.11 Japan”*

13:00-13.:30 Coffee Break

13:30--14:30 Session 2: Sustaining Communities

Chair: George TSOBANOGLOU, Chair ISA-RC26

*Alexandros KRAUSS, member of Social Economy Europe, Athens, Greece
‘Building Sustainability in a Greek Island ; Aegina’*

*Dr. George THEOHARIS, Founder of SOS Doctors in Greece,
“Emergency Medicine in Greece and Community Supports : A view from the field”*

*Prof. Akira KURASHIMA, Kwansei Gankuin University, Nishinomiya, JAPAN
“Globalising a Cultural Bodily Perception: A Comparative Study Based on
Fieldwork of Tai Chi Classes in China and the UK”*

14:30 15:30 Visit to the National Numismatic Museum and its Garden (few blocks away)

Free Afternoon

20:30 Dinner Taverna in Plaka

Thursday 15 June, 2011

09:00-09:30 Registration / Coffee

09:30-11:00 Session 3 Empowerment/Social Movements and Participation

Chair :Prof. Gloria PIRZIO, “La Sapienza”, University of Roma, Roma, Italy

Prof. Hans PRUIJT, Sociology Department, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Rotterdam, The NETHERLANDS

“Empowerment in the Balance”

Prof. Tudorei-Marian PITULAC, The Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch, Iasi, ROMANIA

“Common Economical Challenges, similar political solutions, different social reactions in times of crises. Barriers against the structured social movements in ROMANIA”

Prof. Arianna MONTANARI, “La Sapienza”, University of Roma, Roma, Italy

“Movements and Political Participation in ITALY”

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:30 Session 4 Participatory Democracy and Local Sustainable Development

Chair: Prof. Katharine SARIKAKIS, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria

Dr Luis LLAMBI, Venezuelan Institute for Scientific Research, Caracas, VENEZUELA

“Participatory Democracy, Local Endogenous Growth and Rural-Urban Territorial Developments in Latin America”

Ilona MATYSIAK, The Robert B. Zajonc Institute for Social Studies, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, POLAND

“The rural self-government “reinvented”: village representation as facilitators of the “grass-root” civil participation in rural communities in Poland”

Ms Agnese KARASEVA, Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences / University of Latvia, Valmiera, LATVIA & Ms. Linda ZIVERTE, University of Latvia, Faculty of Social Science, University of Latvia, Riga, LATVIA

“Empowerment of local community leaders through collaborative action research activities”

Dr. Ioannis IOANNIDES, Adjunct Prof. Hellenic Open University, Cultural Manager, Municipality of Moschato, Tavros, Athens, GREECE

Civil society in Greece: From idealization to state control. The case of Cultural Voluntarism

13:30-14.30 Lunch TITANIA HOTEL

14:30-16:00 Session 5 Sustaining Regions, Governance and Social Capital

Chair : Luis LLAMBI, Venezuelan Institute for Scientific Research, Caracas, Venezuela

Prof. Cynthia BOGARD, Sociology Department, Hofstra University, New York, USA

“What can Sustainable Education Mean in post-Earthquake Haiti ?”

Prof. Harry PERLSTADT, Dept. of Sociology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

“The Plague of Athens and the Cult of Asklepios. Dealing with an Urban Health Problem”

Prof. Katharine SARIKAKIS, Institute fur Publizistik und Kommunikationwissenschaft der Universitat Wien, Vienna, AUSTRIA

‘The Governance of Communicative space in times of crisis: implications for sustainable Democracy’

Prof. Antonio August PEREIRA PRATES, Sociology Department, Federal University of Minas Gerais, Minas Gerais, BRAZIL.

“Social Capital, Weak Ties and Collective Action among poor people : A Comparative Analysis”

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 – 18:00 Session 6: Innovations and New Organisational Forms

Chair: George GANTZIAS, Editor of Journal Cultural Technology and Policy, Dept of Cultural Technology, Aegean University, Mitilini, Greece.

Profs Bertil RONALDSSON, Jan LJUNGBERG & Magnus BERGQUIST, Sociology Department, Gothenburg University, Gothenburg, SWEDEN

“The Worth of Opening up Developmental work-Justifying a New Business Driven Spirit of Open Source Software Development”

Prof. George TSOBANOGLOU, Sociology Dept. University of the Aegean, Mytilini. GREECE

“On Governing the Weak Ties in Networked Economies – Greece in the EU”

Prof. George KORRES, Dept. of Geography, University of the Aegean, GREECE & Dr Katerina KOKKINO, Dept of Economics, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, SCOTLAND

“E-Learning & Training Skills: A Study for Greece”

Dr. George PANTOGLOU, Director, Business Analysis, European Patent Office, Munchen , GERMANY

“Strategy on the protection of industrial property-The role of patents as an incentive for innovation”

19:00-21:00 PNYX –Democracy Day Celebrations

09:00-09:30 Coffee and Registration

09:30 - 11:00 Session 7 Central and Local Actors in Managing Territorial Issues

Chair : Prof. Arianna MONTANARI, ‘La Sapienza’ University of Rome, Rome, Italy.

Michela FREDDANO (ABD PhD), Sociology of Genoa, Genoa, ITALY

“Participation and ICT into decision making: an experience of deliberative pooling”.

Gabriela-Violeta, IOARDACHITA, Regional Resources Centre and Educational Assistance (CJRAE-CJAP) , Galati, ROMANIA

‘Emergency Management: Floods in Galati, Romania. Between Coherence Strategy and Political Games’

Prof. Mario SALOMONE, Sociology Dept, University of Bergamo, ITALY

“The Social Capital of a Social Cooperative”

11:00-11:30 Key Note Lecture: Dr. Elena BADEASCHI, Trento Cooperative Society, Trento, ITALY

“The Way to Sustainable Communities: The Cooperative System in Trentino : a sustainable social development model for the community”

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-13:30 Session 8: Policy Modalities

Chair: Prof. Hans PRUIJT, Sociology Department Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Dr Joacquin SCHMIDT, Founding Board Member of ISA-RC26 Sociotechnics and Editor Wissenschaftarchitektur Verlag, GERMANY

‘Sociotechnics as Technoscience: Network of Cooperatives vs. Political State – Mediation of Cooperatives

Prof. Pantelis SKLIAS & Dr. Eugenia VATHAKOU, Dept of Political Science & International relations, University of the Peloponnese, Corinth, GREECE

“Non-State Actors in the era of the economic crisis :the case of Greece”

Dr. Stilianos ALEXIADIS, Ministry of Rural Development and Food, Department of Agricultural Policy and Documentation, Division of Agricultural Statistics, Athens, Greece, Dr. Katerina, KOKKINO, Department of Economics, University of Glasgow, Scotland and Dr. Christos LADIAS, Dept of Regional economic development, University of Central Greece, Lamia, GREECE

“The Cumulative Nature of Economic Development”

Prof. Mridula GOEL & Devika, Department of Economics, Goa, INDIA

“Empowering marginalised sections of women through initiatives by Community based organisations :A study from INDIA”

13:30-14:30 Lunch Break

14:30-15:30 Session 9: Social Changes and the Crisis

Chair : Prof. George KORRES, Dept of Geography, University of the Aegean, Greece

Dr. E. KALERANTE, P. MORMORI & M. MORMORI, University of Western Macedonia, Kastoria, GREECE

“University Candidates’s Targets in a changing, unstable and unpredictable economic Environment”

Dr Yiannis NASIOULAS, Researcher, Work-Lab, University of the Aegean, GREECE

“Developing a Satelite Account for the Greek Social Economy”

Dr Jurga BUCAITE-VILKE, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences, Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, LITHUANIA

“Effective tools for local community governance: the question of creating institutional partnerships”

Prof. Achwan ROCHMAN, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, University of Indonesia, INDONESIA.

“A Tale of Two Regions: Clothing Entrepreneurs in Indonesia”

15:30 16:30 Panel Discussion : Building on Sustainability the Role of ISA and of ISA-RC26

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16:30-17:00 Closing of the Conference and Coffee Break

17:00 -18:00 Business Meeting of the Board of ISA-RC26

20:30 Dinner Plaka under the Akropolis

Post Conference Excursion Aegina Saturday on the 16th of June.