

Book review:

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The Conference Proceedings of the Second Edition of the Forum on Studies of Society, was published in 2018 at Pro Universitaria Publishing House, following the organization of the second edition of the International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities “Forum on Studies of Society” (FSS) that has taken place in the southern Italy municipality of Chieti in the capital city of Pescara, in 2018.

The second edition of the “Forum on Studies of Society (FSS)” *International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities* was organized by Università degli Studi G. D'Annunzio Chieti Pescara, Italy, Dipartimento di Scienze Giuridiche e Sociali and University of Craiova, Study Programs: Sociology and Social Work, Romania, in cooperation with Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, Department of Social Work, University of Bucharest, Romania; Faculty of Philosophy, St. Cyril and St. Methodius University, Bulgaria; Faculty of Pedagogy, Rzeszów University, Poland and International Society for Projects in Education and Research.

The main purpose of the conference was to bring into discussion topics of utmost importance in nowadays society by gathering specialists and academics from different parts of the world. The essential quality of the conference was focused on the interdisciplinary approach of the multi-fields methodology where participants' background on Sociology and Social Work, European Studies, International Relations and Security brought a freshly illuminating outcome.

The conference sessions for paper presentations included: new social realities; social work: promoting community and environmental sustainability; European studies: united in diversity; international relations and security studies: security issues in a changing world; law and criminology: no man is above the law and no man is below it; politics and history: history and politics through time; and philosophy: Contemporary Philosophical Issues.

Participants from 7 countries (Romania, Italy, Bulgaria, Poland, Albania, Turkey, Nigeria) presented papers ranging from the theoretical approach to the empirical research focusing on good practices cases and insights from the practical work. The

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social sciences and humanities approach of the conference opened different challenging discussions that benefited all participants.

An important presentation on “Forensic victimology: a step forward the psychosocial profile of victimology” in collaboration between three countries – Albania, Romania, Italy – by Silva Ibrahim, Valentina Marinescu, Ervin Ibrahim, and Eleonora Luciani offered “a reflection on the processes of victimization and on the dynamics that underlie it.” Their aim was to create a “Neighbour network of research, support and strategic planning will be helpful for developing a security map of criminal, forensic and psychosocial prophylaxis.” Among other important presentation was one of utmost topical resonance i.e. “The key role of education in women empowerment in Turkey” by two Turkish specialists: Songül Sallan Gül, Ayşenur Örümcü. As Turkey ranks 64 of 189 countries in terms of women's empowerment the authors offered “reasons of Turkey's being far behind the other countries in the equality index is that women's, especially the adult women's low and limited access to the education and the low rate of paid women employment.”

Presenters highlighted the importance of collective memory integration in the European Union (Radu-Cristian Petcu); value of mediation in social work (Sonya Budeva); a comprehensive study on the opportunities of education graduates in Romania and Bulgaria (Cristina Ilie Goga); a thorough approach on the principles of sustainability reporting and disclosure (Petya Petrova); a sensitive matter of social integration and civic participation among the immigrants in Romania (Alexandra Porumbescu); the connection between social entrepreneurship and social work (Teodora Todorova); a complete case study on marginalized rural communities in Dolj County, Romania (Andreea-Mihaela Niță); viewpoints on the educational leadership in higher education institutions from a contemporary and psychological approach (Valbona Habili Sauku); the all present issue of web-based health information in Romania (V. Marienscu, Silvia Ibrahim, Ervin Ibrahim); a special need of training for people suffering from intellectual disability (Veronika Spasova); an ever-present matter of immigration when it comes to lack of opportunities (Gabriel Nicolae Pricină); towards a better quality of life for people with disabilities (Yuliya Yordanova Pulova-Ganeva); juvenile delinquency and re-socialisation in Romania (Maria Pescaru); a crucial view on the professional practice towards elderly people with disabilities (Milena Hristova Yorgova); the connection between labour market and employers' expectations (Roxana Pleșa); the opportunity to create sustainable attitude towards assisting process provided by supervision (Stela Stoyanova); a multidimensional approach of the Jiu Valley (Felicia Androni); the connection between labour market and graduates of higher education (Kalina Kancheva); a positive spillover for work family (Livia Pogan); concern of postpartum depression in new mothers from a social work approach (Mirela Anghel); a pertinent view on the attitudes the Bulgarian teachers have when it comes to the introduction of civel education in schools (Margarita Kaleynska); an exploratory study on the internet for the third age in Romania (Valentina Marinescu); Albanian workforce for young people (Irida Agolli (Nasufi), Artur Rada), the pressing matter of combating terrorism in EU (Ionuț Virgil Șerban); reaching a multidisciplinary assessment service for the social and behavioural prophylaxis with Q-methodology (Lindita Durmishi, Silva Ibrahim); legal procedures for minor's hearing (Mihai Pricină); social security and insecurity (Gianmarco Cifaldi); “Street children” phenomenon in the Romanian society (Maria Pescaru, Cristina Maria Pescaru); neurocriminology: a new paradigm (Luigia Altieri, Gianmarco Cifaldi).

These are a few of the themes presented and discussed at the conference where the constructive debates led to decision making and the eagerness for better and innovative theoretical and practical approaches.

The international conference Forum on Studies of Society (FSS) was included and indexed in 6 international databases and services such as world conference alerts, VePub Conferences, Conference Index, Conal. Conference Alerts, GoRef, andAconf. Conference solutions professional. The opportunity was present for the ones willing to publish their results in various scientific journals indexed in international databases and collective volumes. Several papers were published in the partner journals as well.

The main interest of the 2018 “Forum on Studies of Society” (FSS) International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities to be a factor in building up a knowledge-base manifest for practice, research and theory was indeed performed.

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