

# EUROPEAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION - RN38 MID-TERM CONFERENCE

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and social justice:  
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### THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY

9:00 – 10:00	<b>Registration. Opening</b> (Room Annex 04) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Francisco Javier Arregui, Vice-Rector of Research.</li> <li>- Patricia Fanlo, Consellor of University and Innovation.</li> <li>- María Jesús Rivera, Organising Committee, ESA RN38</li> </ul>	
10:00 – 11:30	<b>Plenary session I.</b> (Room Annex 04) <b>Keynote:</b> Elisabetta Vitale Brovarone <i>‘Rural accessibility across Europe: experiences and challenges’</i>	
11:30 - 12:00	<b>coffee-break</b>	
12:00 – 14:00	<b>Session 1: Migration and social diversity</b> (Room Annex 04) Chair: Jesús Oliva  -Magda Bolzoni et al. <i>“Variegated migrations in UNESCO vineyards: diversity, place-making and inequalities in Southern Piedmont rural areas (Italy)”</i> -María Jesús Rivera and Ion Martínez-Lorea <i>“Shaping rural cosmopolitanism”</i> -Loukia-Maria Fratsea <i>“Conceptualising the aspirations and socio-spatial trajectories of migrants in rural Greece”</i> -Henna Asikainen and Ruth McAreavey <i>‘We are here our hearts are there’: Rurality, ethnicity and belonging”</i> -Apostolos G. Papadopoulos <i>“Transforming and Hybridising Rural Space: Migrations, Belonging and Subjectivities”</i>	<b>Session 2: Agriculture and food system (I)</b> (Room 502) Chair: Fatmanil Döner  -Lucas Olmedo and Mary O’Shaughnessy <i>‘A Spatial Analysis of Social Economy Organisations and their Impact on Sustainable Development in Irish Rural Areas’</i> -Ana Villán et al. <i>“Family farm succession and agroecology transitions: a case study in Castilla y León, Spain”</i> -Ricard Espelt <i>“The Impact of CCIs on Rural Socioeconomic Transformation in Europe: A Theoretical and Empirical Framework with Best Practices”</i> -Guadalupe Ramos-Truchero <i>“Food and commercial deterioration in remote rural places. Notes to research in Europe”</i>

14:00 – 16:00	<b>Lunch</b> (Arrosadia campus dining room)	
16:00 – 18:00	<p><b>Session 3: Care and well-being</b> (Room Annex 04) Chair: Ruth McAreavey</p> <p>-Halime Ünal-Reşitoğlu et al. <i>“Barriers for Rural Older Adults to Access Health Care Services: A Qualitative Study”</i></p> <p>-Vicent A. Querol et al. <i>“E-health attitudes in rural areas. A study case in a remote rural area of Valencia región”</i></p> <p>- Begoña Elizalde-San Miguel and Lucía Martínez <i>“Fostering the community approach as a tool to re-define long-term care strategies in rural areas: gingko, a project aiming to prevent loneliness among elderly people”</i></p> <p>-Leticia Santaballa Santos and Melissa Moralli <i>“Disentangling the “social dimension” of wellbeing in rural and peripheral welcoming communities across Spain and Italy”</i></p> <p>-Alexandra Theofili and Pavlos Baltas <i>“Demographic change, well-being and sustainable development in rural areas. The case of Greece”</i></p> <p>-Yelda Özen and Halime Ünal Reşitoğlu <i>“Later Life Care in Rural Areas of Turkey: Experiences of Older Women Villagers”</i></p>	<p><b>Session 4: Environment and sustainability</b> (Room 502) Chair: Apostolos Papadopoulos</p> <p>-Paul Swagemakers and Lola Domínguez <i>“Setting priorities: cattle breeding and the restoration of natural values in a Biosphere Reserve (Galicia, Spain)”</i></p> <p>-Christine Altenbuchner <i>“The adaptive capacity to climate change of agricultural communities in rural areas - Comparing case studies from Austria, Switzerland and California”</i></p> <p>-Ángel Manuel Ahedo <i>“The governance of rural sustainability. The cases of Denmark and Spain in the European Union”</i></p> <p>-Fátima Cruz et al. <i>“Living and managed forests: their social meanings”</i></p>
18:00 – 18:30:	<b>closing coffee-break / ESA RN38 meeting</b>	

## FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2024

09:00 – 10:30	<b>Plenary session II:</b> (1st floor, Modulo 1 – Room 3) <b>Keynote:</b> Keith H. Halfacree <i>‘Revisiting the “post-productivist countryside” in challenging times: a 2024 assessment’</i> <b>Chair:</b> Apostolos Papadopoulos, ESA RN 38 coordinator	
10:30 – 11:00	<b>coffee-break</b>	
11:00 – 13:00	<b>Session 5: Challenges for rural policies</b> (1st floor-Room 606) Chair: Loukia-Maria Fratsea  -Fatmanil Doner <i>“A tool for populists? Understanding rural well-being and voting behavior in Turkey”</i> -Alberto Serrano et al. <i>“Women, youth, and innovation in rural areas at high risk of depopulation: the case of the leader programme in Aragón (2014-2020)”</i> -María Elena Mañas and Xavier Ginés <i>“The indirect impact of LEADER on the rural municipalities of the Valencian Community”</i> -Fátima Cruz et al. <i>“Statute of rural women in Navarra: empowerment of rural women through gender equality public policies”</i> - Francisco A. Navarro and Gary Bosworth <i>“Actors and networks in rural place-based policies and initiatives in Spain and the United Kingdom. One step forward”</i>	<b>Session 6: Agriculture and food system (II)</b> (1st floor – Room 607) Chair: Luís A. Camarero  -Derya Nizam <i>“How Scale Matters: The Revival of Cooperative Movement in Turkey”</i> -Marina Bertino and María Dolores Martín-Lagos <i>“New ecological vision after the pandemic. Speeches of new agriculturalists in Sicily”</i> -Karel Němeček <i>“The Importance of Rural Spaces in Permacultural Worldview: The Local Areas as Loci of Progress”</i> -Amaia Albizua <i>“How are social networks structuring agricultural (un)sustainability? An example from Navarre (Spain)”</i> -Eugenia Petropoulou and Theo Benos <i>“Exploring the appeal of different alternative food networks”</i>
13:00 – 15:00	<b>Lunch</b> (Arrosadia campus dining room)	
15:00 – 17:00:	<b>Session 7: Depopulation and imageries of the rural</b> (Room 606) Chair. Fátima Cruz	<b>Session 8: Rural youth and mobilities</b> (1st floor – Room 607) Chair: María Jesús Rivera

	<p>-Noortje Keurhorst and Paul Swagemakers  <i>"Shaking up the urban-rural binary: exploring communing practices and imaginaries in the peri-urban monte in Mourente, Pontevedra (Galicia)"</i></p> <p>-Sebastián Iturriaga, Paul Swagemakers  <i>"Contesting mainstream discourses about abandonment: deviating discourses around rural depopulation in Ancares mountains"</i></p> <p>-Beatriz Izquierdo and María Elena Nogueira  <i>"Social strengthening in "empty Spain". A case of community social innovation and revitalization"</i></p> <p>-Cristina Margalejo  <i>"Social economic factors of the rural women exodus: insights from a Spanish region"</i></p> <p>-Manuel-Tomás González et al.  <i>"Peri-urban, mobilized ... and markedly vulnerable"</i></p>	<p>-Anita Busljeta Tonkovic  <i>"Youth mobility patterns in sparsely populated areas of Croatia: the case study of the Lika Region"</i></p> <p>-Petra Benyei  <i>"Interlinking factors influencing three main rural social-ecological challengers: depopulation, farmer generational renewal and the adoption of sustainable farming models"</i></p> <p>- Javier Águila and Manuel T. González  <i>"A sealed destiny? Conditions for the labour and professional development of rural youth"</i></p> <p>-David Gil and Vicent A. Querol.  <i>"Double residence among rural youth in Spain. Quantification and related factors"</i></p> <p>-Gonzalo Reguera-Zaratiegui et al.  <i>"Life trajectories and mobility of rural youth in peri-urban areas. A case study in Navarre"</i></p>
17:00 – 17:30	<b>coffee-break</b> (ground floor)	
17:30 – 18:30	<b>Closing Round Table</b> (Room Annex 04, ground floor)	