



Call for Paper

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RN20 - Qualitative Methods

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Description of the Research network: The goals of the RN 20 are:

- a communication between qualitative researchers (through informing by newsletters and common publications, etc.);
- deliberative integration of researchers representing different orientations in qualitative methods and research (through organizing of conferences, midterms, workshops, direct contacts and cooperation with other ESA Networks and other sociological organizations);
- development of qualitative methods and techniques of research.

General call for paper: Krzysztof Konecki - President
Bernt Schnettler - Vice President

European Sociological Association, Research Network 20, Qualitative Methods,
10th Conference, Geneva, 7 – 10 September 2011.

Call for papers

For the past 10 years, the Qualitative Research Network has welcomed the leading experts in the field to discuss cutting edge issues in qualitative research. For Geneva 2011, we invite papers dealing with all aspects of the practice, methodology and ethics of qualitative research.

Among the areas we invite papers are:

- · Methods for studying visual data
- · The logic of interview and focus group research
- · Documentary and textual analysis
- · Ethnographic methodologies
- · The logic of grounded theory research
- · Discourse analysis and critical discourse analysis
- · Conversation analysis and ethnomethodology
- · Mixed methods
- · Making qualitative research credible
- · The relationship between qualitative and quantitative research
- · Practitioners, policymakers and qualitative research
- · Evaluating qualitative research
- · Innovations in qualitative methods

- · Qualitative market research
- · Qualitative action-research
- · Qualitative evaluation research
- · Ethics of qualitative research
- · Applied qualitative research (e.g. applied ethnography)
- · Other topics associated with qualitative research

Please note that we are interested in methodological papers, so papers dealing purely with research findings will not be accepted. While the organizers encourage participants to suggest a session for their work, we reserve the right to allocate the accepted papers to whatever sessions we deem most appropriate for the benefit of the total program.

We particularly welcome papers from research students. The Network prides itself on the number of student papers presented in previous years and the sympathetic audience we provide for students.

Abstract submission will be open on Monday, 10th January 2011 and **will be closed on Sunday, 25th February 2011.**

Abstracts will only be accepted through completion of the online submission form, and submission in any other form will be declined. (The Online Abstract Submission form and Instructions and Guidelines for Online Abstract Submissions will be on the conference website: <http://www.esa10thconference.com/submission.php>).