

Institute of Philosophy and Sociology at the Polish Academy of Sciences

Conference Program

***Radical Social Change in East Central Europe: A Dynamic Analysis of
Panel Data***

Warsaw, September 10-12, 2004

Friday, September 10

10:00-10:30 Registration

10:30-12:15 Opening Session in Honor of Professor Melvin L. Kohn

Chair: Kazimierz M. Slomczynski

Kazimierz M. Slomczynski, *Remarks on the Purpose and Format of the Conference.*

Introduction to the Session

Henryk Domański, *Welcoming Comments*

Włodzimierz W. Wesołowski, *Intellectual Biography of Melvin L. Kohn*

Melvin L. Kohn, *Social Structure and Personality: Comments on Causal Analyses*

Valeriy Khmielko, *Causal Analysis of Ukrainian Panel Data*

Discussion

14:00-15:30 Regular Session I: Cross-National Survey Research in the Post-Communist Countries: General Overview

Chair: Albert Simkus

Irina Tomescu, *How Are the Post-Communist Countries of Europe Represented in the Cross-National Surveys (ISJP, ISSP, WVS, ESS, Eurobarometer)*

Henryk Domański, *Surveys on Social Stratification and Poverty in Eastern Europe*

Discussion

16:00-17:15 Regular Session II: Cross-National Survey Research in the Post-Communist Countries: What Comparisons Are Possible?

Chair: Krystyna Janicka

Albert Simkus, *The South-East European Social Survey Project: An Overview of the Survey Design and Goals, with a Few Preliminary Results*

Slobodan Cvejic, *Conceptualizing Social Class Divisions*

Emir Dervisevic, *Sharing Experience with the Project*

Discussion

Saturday, September 11

10:00-12:15 Workshop Session I: Theoretical and Methodological Background of the Polish Panel Survey, 1988-1993-1998-2003 (POLPAN)

Chair: Anna Firkowska-Mankiewicz

Kazimierz M. Slomczynski, *Comments on the Origin of POLPAN and the 1989 book Struktura Społeczna: Schemat Teoretyczny i Warsztat Badawczy (Social Structure: Theoretical Framework and Research Methods).*

Franciszek Sztabinski, *Quality Control of the Fieldwork*

Zbigniew Sawinski, *Organization of the Data Files*

Discussion

14:00-15:45 Regular Session III: Political Attitudes and Behaviors

Chair: Valeriy Khmielko

Albert Simkus and Bogdan W. Mach, *Changing Minds and Changing Answers: Some Evidence About Reliability, Testing and Selection Effects, and Attitude Change About Egalitarianism in Poland, 1988-2004*

Goldie Shabad and Jakub Zielinski, *Political Accountability: Do Voters Punish Legislators for Bad Performance?*

Krystyna Janicka, *Political Orientations and the Perception of Social Conflicts*

Discussion

16:00-18:00 Workshop Session II: The POLPAN Projects on Political Attitudes and Behavior

Chair: Goldie Shabad

Joshua Dubrow, *Does Voting Benefit the Voter? Individual Level Analysis of Benefits for Voting for the Winning Party*

Clayton Peoples, *The Impact of Social Class on Political Behavior: How Values Matter*

Alicia Weaver, *Socio-Political Orientations as Determinants of Environmental Attitudes*

Irina Tomescu, *Social Structure, Redefinition of the Past, and Prospective Orientations*

Discussion

Dinner

Sunday, September 12

10:00-12:15 Workshop Session III: The POLPAN Projects on Social Structure and Mobility

Chair: Kristen Randal

Maciej Kryszczuk, *Social Structure and Use of Internet*

Rachel Lovell, *Occupational Trajectories and Career Interruptions in a New Labor Market*

Katarzyna Wilk, *Friendship Patterns and Status Attainment*

Michał Bojanowski, *Income Mobility*

Discussion

14:00-15:15 Workshop Session IV: Panel Data and the Packet R

Michał Bojanowski - Consultations

15:30-16:30 Closing Session: What We Can Learn from Panel Surveys?

Chair: Albert Simkus

Krzysztof Zagórski, *What We Can Learn from Panel Surveys? Some Examples*

Discussion