



REGIONAL ADVISORY
January 10, 2020



RE: 3rd SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (SOSS) RESEARCH CONFERENCE CALL OF PAPERS

The Caraga Health Research and Development Consortium (CHRDC) c/o Department of Science and Technology-Caraga Regional Office is sending an invitation for the 3rd SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (SOSS) RESEARCH CONFERENCE CALL OF PAPERS on March 30-31, 2020 at Ateneo de Manila University, Loyola Heights, Quezon City.

The theme of the activity is Modernities, Maladies and Maneuverings Experiences, Examinations and Conceptualizations of Change in and beyond the Global South. For more information on registration fees, publication opportunities and key dates, please find the attached invitation letter of Dominga D. Mallonga, Regional Director of DOST Cagara.

Interested participants may attend on official time only as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s.2005 entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.

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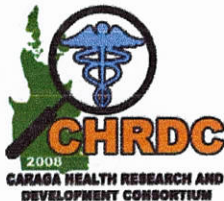
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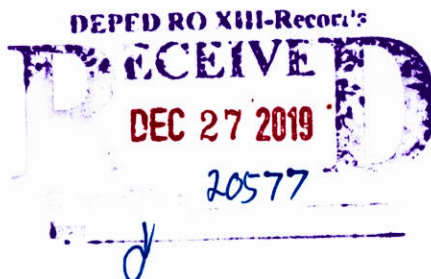
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Dear Dr. Bringas:

Greetings!

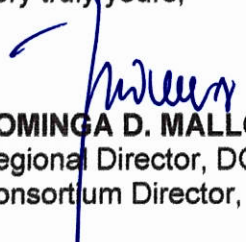
We are forwarding herewith an open invitation for the **3rd School of Social Sciences (SOSS) Research Conference Call for Papers** with the theme, *"Modernities, Maladies and Maneuverings: Experiences, Examinations and Conceptualizations of Change in and beyond the Global South"*. As an active member of the consortium, we would like to request from your office to disseminate this information to any interested personnel from your agency/institution.

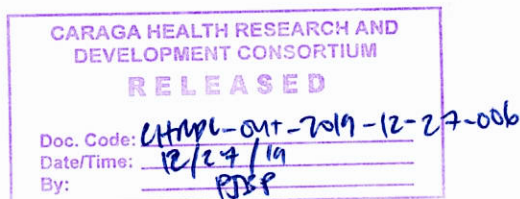
Should you have any queries, please contact CHRDC secretariat via telephone no. (085) 341-9551 or mobile number 0946-236-9334. Or email us through caragahealth@gmail.com.

We are hoping for your positive response.

Thank you very much!

Very truly yours,


DOMINGA D. MALLONGA
Regional Director, DOST Caraga
Consortium Director, CHRDC



Third School of Social Sciences
Research Conference

MODERNITIES, MALADIES, AND MANEUVERINGS

Experiences, Examinations and Conceptualizations
of Change in and beyond the Global South

30-31 MARCH 2020

Ateneo de Manila University
Loyola Heights, Quezon City

3 FEBRUARY 2020

Deadline for Abstract Submission
and Panel Proposals



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The world's sociocultural, political, economic, technological, and environmental landscapes are transforming at a rate and scale never before seen in global history. Massive population growth, incessant migration, and the contingent responses to these phenomena are simultaneously reshaping ecosystems, consumption and market patterns, bureaucracies, relations of power, notions of citizenship, and understandings of self in local, national, and geopolitical milieus. Societies more than ever have become interlinked and interdependent but sharply differentiated in terms of access to wealth and other basic resources that they have collectively produced. Glaring disparities in prestige and power in and between communities have also endured as paradigms, policies and programs meant to engender productivity, efficiency, and inclusivity have simultaneously reinforced disenfranchisement, marginalization, and persecution. While these maladies remain prevalent, nonviolent movements, peace processes, and humanitarian interventions around the globe have continually emerged, and challenged exclusion, inequality, oppression, and ecological destruction. Such maneuverings have insisted on the possibility of a better world amid expanding and deepening processes of globalization.

Escalating uncertainties and risks caused by these changes necessitate innovations in methods, theories, and practices in and beyond the Global South. The future no longer appears as pre-determined by unavoidable developments but as a rather contingent outcome of complex, typically multi-tiered dynamics that vary in their intensity of contentiousness. In light of these developments, what can scholars, public intellectuals, policy makers, journalists, and activists of diverse backgrounds, persuasions and advocacies contribute to these broader debates? In what ways do experiences and conceptualizations of change influence daily routines and long-term collective lives? How are uncertainties and risks identified, avoided, mitigated, transferred, or shared? How are different social and political forces positioned to define, plan, advance, reject, sustain, and wage war over change? What can be learned by comparing struggles in different countries and settings? How do grassroots movements and everyday practices overcome exploitation, and misrecognition? What are viable roadmaps for social transformation?

This third Ateneo de Manila School of Social Sciences Research Conference serves as a platform for critical dialogue on multiple and varying experiences of change in and beyond the Global South. It calls for research on a full range of issues and topics from the tiny worlds of micro situations to the broad macro dynamics affecting the entire planet. It invites inquiries into the plurality of possibilities, projects, and visions. It welcomes diverse approaches, including comparative and interdisciplinary collaborations.

PANELS

Institutions, Inequalities, and the Philippine State

Institutions are largely social artefacts—they are constructed through social interactions between and among various actors. Norms, institutional scripts and narratives are conjured for the sake of functionality, for the purpose of survivability and in this regard, institutions are meant to serve certain constituencies. Institutions thus are inherently political.

This panel seeks to interrogate the discourse and practice of institutions in the period of the archetypal 'strong man regime' that has been antithetical to the liberal democratic narrative of the Philippine State. As such, it aims to provide a platform for critical conversations on populist authoritarianism, militarisation and securitisation of the government bureaucracy, and local political warlordism elevating itself in the national political arena and how all these have been implicated in the transformation of institutions in the country. Of special interest is the unraveling of institutional discourses and infrastructures that perpetuate, justify, and legitimize various forms of injustices—in other words, injustices are what the State make of them.

Cultures, Communities and Conditions at the Margins

Understanding everyday life in the peripheries necessitates a nuanced and critical appreciation of local cultures and conditions. These cultures and conditions are often concealed, misrepresented, and misunderstood in view of the propensity to privilege dominant narratives and perspectives that overlook the diversity and plurality of backgrounds and experiences. Glaringly neglected are the experiences and perspectives of groups historically bereft of economic, social, and political capital due to ethnicity, class, politics, and geography. Needing extensive scrutiny as well are the ways these groups exercise their agency or the capacity to assert, contest, complicate, and introduce actions and solutions to what ails them or limits their capacities to realize their aspirations. This panel examines the circumstances that promote and inhibit the creative power and agentive capacity of vulnerable groups and communities, the nature and scope of marginalization, and cultural and social barriers that legitimize distinctions and disparities.

Policy Dynamics, Dilemmas, and the Social Sciences

The notion of social embeddedness in the social sciences prompts the view that personal relations, kinship, stratification, knowledge, religion, and state and government institutions as well as materiality and physical environments inform the policy-making process. Successful policymaking and implementation benefit from an understanding of the process of translation of policies in everyday practices and the channeling of insights back to policymakers. The perspectives of the social sciences are thus useful in understanding how policies are diffused and domesticated at various levels and in relation to existing norms, interests, and social practices which might contradict or support such policies and regulations, and vice versa. The twin-challenge for every social scientist is to be part of the generation of data and ideas from across disciplines and cultures of knowledge, and to effectively analyze and communicate not only evidence, but also the evidence's embedding context. This panel welcomes

papers that raise questions on, among others, how public policies in the Philippines are created, implemented, and domesticated amidst national and local concerns, which may not always be aligned with each other; and role of social scientists in closing the loop between policy and social reality.

Mechanisms of Meaning-making, Systems of Communication

Viewing society as made up of individuals interacting with one another in socially meaningful ways is one of the most persuasive theoretical approaches in the social sciences. People act on the basis of meanings, which do not only reside in individual's minds but which are communicated through and in the social world. This panel seeks to examine the socially meaningful world by bringing about a dialogue between the creation of meanings and the communication of such meanings. Meanings are rooted in particular contexts and filters of who, what, when, where, why, and how affect the reading and understanding of messages by different audiences. The panel welcomes papers that illuminate broad institutional patterns, be they politics, economics, or religion, through micro-level processes and connect large issues, be they social inequality, climate change, or cyberbullying, to the everyday life-world. Of interest are papers that examine the symbolic interactions between individuals, the social construction of reality through objectifications of subjective processes, the social world that exists in and through digital spaces, the diffusion of ideas and meanings in various media, and emerging research areas on the mobilization of data including algorithmic capitalism and data tracking.

Quantities and Social Realities

The social sciences frame questions about the way the social world is ordered, and how different societies create, respond and adapt to concerns such as poverty, inequality, corruption and poor governance, crime, and environmental degradation. Many issues long within the purview of the natural sciences, such as climate change and diseases, also require social science understanding. While social science research has distinguished itself for generating cutting edge qualitative methodologies, the utilization of quantitative approaches across all social science disciplines remains integral to their practice. This is an offshoot of impressive infrastructure developments in data collection, storage, processing, and analysis. This session intends to showcase the state of the art in quantitative social science research—choice and behavior modeling, cost-benefit analysis, longitudinal studies, data analytics, econometric models, among others.

PROPOSING A PANEL

Apart from the panels mentioned above, participants may propose a panel composed of papers addressing a common theme. A minimum of three and a maximum of five participants should comprise a panel. A panel proposal form (see attached document) is provided for this purpose.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Participants are invited to submit an abstract of no more than 250 words. An abstract submission form (see attached document) is provided for this purpose.

REGISTRATION FEES

All program participants must pay a full registration fee on **2 March 2020**.

Regular registration fee	PHP 3,000
Early bird registration fee (before 2 March 2020)	PHP 2,500
Students (graduate and undergraduate)	PHP 1,000

The conference fee includes two lunches, two morning and two afternoon snacks, and a conference kit.

Information on how to pay will be provided soon.

Only participants (presenters, chairs, discussants) who have paid the registration fee by **2 March 2020** will appear in the Conference Program and Abstracts Book.

For co-authored papers, at least one co-author must pay the registration fee by **2 March 2020** deadline in order for a paper to appear in the program; the names of other co-authors will be listed as well. If other co-authors wish to attend the conference they must pay the registration fee.

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Participants who want their work considered for publication in *Social Transformations: Journal of the Global South* are encouraged to submit a full paper. The deadline for submission is **13 April 2020**.

KEY DATES

Deadline for abstract submission and panel proposals	3 February 2020
Announcement of accepted papers and panels	17 February 2020
Deadline for conference participation confirmation	6 March 2020
Deadline for submission for full version of papers	13 April 2020

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