

RS 5: Evolution and Sociology

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Session 1a: Theoretical questions

Thursday 6th, 09.00 – 10.30, Room: CLIC 14

Chair: J P Roos

1. Stephen Sanderson: The Biosocial Evolution of the Major World Religions
2. Christopher Hallpike: How social evolution works
3. Edgar Kiser & Howard Welsler: The Relationship between Theory and History in Evolutionary Biology: A Model for Historical Sociology?
4. Neil Cooper & Simon Hampton: Why speaking of 'evolutionary sociology' manages the problem of biology but does not solve it.
5. Steve Quilley: Integrative Levels and 'the Great Evolution': Biology and Sociology in the Work of Norbert Elias

Session 1b: New approaches to biographical research & evolution

Thursday 6th, 11.00-12.30, Room W324

Chair: Anna Bagnoli

1. John Given: The evolution of language and the storying of the world
2. J P Roos: The origin of life stories
3. Hans Petter Sand: One sociologist, two biographies
4. Anna Bagnoli & Bren Neale: Tracking Young Lives over Time: a Review of Longitudinal Evidence on Young People and the Young Lives and Times Study

Session 2: Putting evolutionary theory into practice

Thursday 6th, 13.30 – 15.00, Room: W709

Chair: Stephen Sanderson

1. Susanne Rebers: The evolution of collective action
2. Helena Bulinska: Mirror neurons as a proximal mechanism of social interactions
3. Michael Hammond: The Enhancement Imperative: Evolutionary Reward Release Rules and The Shape of Human History
4. Myra J Hird: Evolutionary Biology, Symbiogenesis and Sociology's New Imagination
5. Jasper Muis: How to explain the successful rise of Pim Fortuyn? An evolutionary model of adaptive rationality.
6. Mauro Sandrini & Ferdinando Cerbone: From Nature biodiversity to earth democracy: a coevolutionary path for society evolution