

# CONFERENCE PROGRAM

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16<sup>th</sup> Annual TiSSA Conference 2018 - Ljubljana (Slovenia)

## Social Work and Solidarity in Search of New Paradigms



The international Social Work & Society Academy

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### About The international Social Work & Society Academy

The international 'Social Work & Society' Academy (TISSA) is an independent cooperation between European universities, institutes and organisations. It was built up in 2002 as result of an European TEMPUS-TACIS-Project by the initiative of Prof. dr. Hans-Uwe Otto (Bielefeld University, Germany), dr. Olga Borodkina (St. Petersburg State University, Russia), Prof. dr. Walter Lorenz (Free University of Bolzano, Italy) and Prof. dr. John Harris (University of Warwick, Great Britain) to enhance and promote the international scientific and professional discourse about social work and its relation to society, especially against the background of fundamental transformations of 'the social' in the context of globalization.

TISSA provides a forum for involving professionals and academics in innovative discussion on theory and practice at the cutting edge of the social professions. Its overall aim is to identify how the needs of a wide range of societies experiencing transition can be met through the generation of new knowledge, concepts and models. The organizers of TISSA assume, that socio-economical developments indicate categorically that social work has to deal with its relation to the respective societies in a critical way, in order to build out a clear professional profile for the future, for a renewal of perspectives and to improve its agency. Any site of economic, political and social transition poses a challenge to social professions to reflect on new approaches to social work. In doing so, The international 'Social Work & Society' Academy focuses on promoting a comparative approach to the analysis of social work and society, enhancing the development of knowledge, skills and experience, shaping organizational changes and new governance processes, analyzing quality criteria and reflecting on best practice and encouraging the international dissemination and exchange of information on significant developments.

### Chair of The international Social Work & Society Academy Prof. dr. Rudi Roose

Prof. dr. Rudi Roose became Chair of The international Social Work & Society Academy in 2016. He is currently employed at the department of Social Work and Social Pedagogy at Ghent University in Belgium as Professor in Social Work.



### Chair of the Local Organizing Committee: dr. Gašper Krstulović

dr. Gašper Krstulović is the Chair of the Local Organizing Committee of 2018. He is currently employed as Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Ljubljana in Slovenia.

## Conference theme: Social Work and Solidarity: in Search of New Paradigms

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Historically, social work can be seen as an important actor in the creation of solidarity, operating on the tension between freedom and equality. In recent decades, the space for solidarity is under pressure due to developments of individualism and a focus on self-responsibility. This is entwined with the fragmentation of the European idea of solidarity and the dismantling or transformation of systems of social security and social protection. Professional social work is in danger of being reduced to an administrative, instead of political profession and to be replaced by market-oriented actors or a focus on community care. This urges social work research and practice to rethink its position and to search for new paradigms or rekindle old ones, such as a focus on social rights, social justice, social protection, private public cooperation and the development of commons. Therefore, TiSSA invites experts from academic social work research, professional fields and policy to discuss these and other paradigms as a way forward for social work in its quest for solidarity at the TiSSA 2018 conference.



### University of Ljubljana - Faculty of Social Work

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In Slovenia, social work education has been in existence for over half a century. The School for Social Workers was established in 1955 as a two-year diploma programme. In the 1970s it was integrated into the University of Ljubljana. It developed a four-year university-level programme and launched postgraduate specialisation programmes in 1992. From 1995 until the end of the complicated transformation of the University of Ljubljana it was again reduced to a professional school with a four-year programme, until in 2003 it became a faculty and introduced graduate study programmes.

Ever since its establishment the School (as it is still unofficially called) has been a pillar (in some periods the only one) of the development of Slovenian social work and the field of social care in general. It is a member of IASSW and EASSW, the initiator of EEsRSSW, and the initiator and at present the coordinator of the renowned International Doctoral Studies in Social Work (INDOSOW).

### Our host city: Ljubljana

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Slovenia is an exciting country of extraordinary diversity. It is located at the confluence of the Alpine, Mediterranean, Pannonian and Karst regions. Slovenia is renowned for its scenic lakes, vast forests and underground caves carved out by water eroding karst limestones. Apart from the beauties of nature, the country offers diverse opportunities for outdoor recreation, a large number of cultural and particularly architectural sights, and a rich variety of culinary delights.



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## PLENUM CONFERENCE PROGRAM



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**MONDAY AUGUST 20****08:30**     **Registration (Foyer)****09:30**     **Opening of the TISSA Plenum (P7)**

Prof. dr. Rudi Roose – Chair of The international Social Work and Society Academy

Prof. dr. Vesna Leskošek – Dean of the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Ljubljana

Prof. dr. Darja Zaviršek – Professor at the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Ljubljana

**10:30**     **Coffee break (Foyer)****11:00**     **Plenum session (P7)**

What do we mean when we say 'solidarity' - Luc De Droogh (BE)

Drama as a research practice: exploring professional expertise. – Tony Evans (UK)

"The Logic of The Market" vs. "The Logic of Social Work": Social Services in the Neoliberal Era – Mimi Abramovitz (USA)

**13:00**     **Lunch break (Foyer)****14:00**     **Parallel sessions****Session 1: Poverty (P7) - Chair: Heidi Degerickx**

Combining parenthood with work: Is that too much to ask - and of whom? – An Katries Raes, An Piessens, Katrien Van den Bosch &amp; Tim Vanhove (BE)

Learning to Play Chess: How to make Sense of a Politics of Representation with People in Poverty when Aiming for Social Change – Katrien Boone, Griet Roets &amp; Rudi Roose (BE)

Program 500+ in Poland as part of investment social policy - Mirosław Grewinski &amp; Joanna Lizut (PL)

Theorising "participation of the poor" in social policy with Jacques Rancière. Lessons to be learned for political social work? – Heidi Degerickx, Raf Debaene, Rudi Roose &amp; Griet Roets (BE)

**Session 2: Migration (P8) - Chair: Anette Bolin**

Working under the radar: Church social work with undocumented immigrant families - Anette Bolin (SE)

Cultural Competence in substance use treatment for migrants and ethnic minorities: the discordance between systemic disparities and intervention level solutions - Charlotte De Kock (BE)

The dual role of return-counsellors for undocumented migrants. Challenging the traditional value-creation paradigm. - Joris Kennis (BE)

New Digital Paradigm in Social Work: Interactive Case Management as the Digitally Supported Inclusion of Young Refugees and Migrants - Michael Klassen (DE)

**Session 3: Family and Community Social Work (P3) - Chair: Monika Bobulska**

Benefits of incorporating narrative practices in family and community social work - Maria Elena Cuartero Castañer & Ana Josefa Cañas Lerma (ES)

The value of faithfulness in family relationships - Monika Bobulska (PL)

Promoting reflection in family support social work with an evidence-based model - Jennie Ryding (SE)

In Search of New Paradigms: Reflecting on the role of Social Work(ers) in Community struggle and resistance processes - Nestor Ruiz Redondo (BA)

**Session 4: Managerialism and Social Work (P1) - Chair: Inge Bode**

Citizenship as the transforming foundation of social work - Tuomo Kokkonen & Kati Turtiainen (FI)

Neoliberalism, Managerialism, and Social Work at Domestic Violence Agencies – Deborah Mullin (USA)

Network management in social services, new managerial skills - Joanna Lizut, Gilberto Marzano & Katarzyna Delikowska (PL)

Interorganizational solidarity in the long era of managerialism. Lessons from the German child protection sector – Inge Bode (DE)

**16:00**

**Coffee break (Foyer)**

**16:30**

**Parallel sessions**

**Session 1: Social Work Education (P7) - Chair: Tatiana Casado de Staritzky**

Preparing social work students for the real world... a role play example of multi-professional meeting – Tatiana Casado de Staritzky & Joan Albert Riera Adrover (ES)

International Professional Solidarity through Common Educational Principles and Practices - Vadim Moldovan (USA)

From statistical significance to substantial significance: A reanalysis of young people's civic knowledge, attitudes and behavior across Europe" – Christian Christrup Kjeldsen (DK)

**Session 2: Family, Gender and Social Work (P8) - Chair: Arjana Mucaj**

Gender differences between female gender and male in consumer purchases – Arjana Mucaj & Shkelqim Xeka (AL)

The role and position of women in Kosovo society - Eneida Lajqi (RKS)

Solidarity as Resistance and Partnership in Social Work with Girls and Young Women - Nour Shimei & Mirit Sidi (IL)

**Session 3: Oppression and Social Work (3) - Chair: Rúna í Baianstovu**

Honour related Violence, Oppression and Social Work - Rúna í Baianstovu (SE)

Speaking Bodies – Silenced Voices. Children's Embodied Vulnerabilities and the Moral Economies of Child Welfare - Zlatana Knezevic (SE)

**Symposium (P1)**

Depoliticization and Repoliticization in Social Work - Bart Van Bouchaute, Reyhan Görgöz, Raf Debaene, Tim Vanhove, Hans Grymonprez & Pascal Debruyne (BE)

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### TUESDAY AUGUST 21 - NATIONAL DAY

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**09:00****Plenum session (P9)**

Human collectives, solidarity and antagonisms: an anthropological view - Irena Sumi (SI)

The scope of a constructivist approach in social work - Miko Postrak (SI)

Social activation in Slovenia – empowerment or a way to precarious employment: how can social work respond to it? - Liljana Rihter &amp; Jasmina Rosič (SI)

**11:00****Coffee break (Foyer)****11:30****Parallel sessions****Session 1: Social Work and Solidarity (P8) - Chair: Juri Killian**

Solidarity on a global level -how goes institutional cooperation with an ethical perspective? - Nour Shimei &amp; Mirit Sidi (IL)

Working on the social – Juri Killian (DE)

Solidarity past the nation-state? - Jolijn De Haene, Griet Verschelden &amp; Luc De Droogh (BE)

**Session 2: Early Childhood and Education (P1) - Chair: Tadej Braček**

Primary School and Municipality as Social Inequality Regulators - Tadej Braček (SI)

The judgment in Re W (A child): national and international implications for contemporary child and family social work – Martyn Higgins (UK)

Using risk assessment paradigm to understand and prevent adolescents' dangerous behaviors. Findings from a school-based sample in Albania - Julinda Cilingiri (AL)

**Session 3: Changing Societies (P3) - Chair: Hans Grymonprez**

Social Debt Counselling in neoliberal environment: prevention approaches and social protection – Susanne Vaudt (DE)

Practices of Accessibility in Social Work – Hans Grymonprez (BE)

Globalization and Solidarity - how to cooperate with an university located in refugee camps - Hubert Höllmüller (AT)

**13:00****Lunch break (Foyer)****13:30****Field visits****Option 1: Invisible Ljubljana Project Walking Tour (City centre)**

"Invisible Ljubljana" does not show you traditional touristic spots, stories and legends; we want to show you another side of Ljubljana. Tours are guided by people who experienced homelessness on the streets of Ljubljana. The routes have been chosen by the guides themselves.

Tour groups are small and intimate from 4 to 8 participants, what gives you a chance to connect with your guide. If you have some special interests and topics connected with streets of Ljubljana, feel welcome and free to ask! Guides will be glad to show you many hidden places and tell you everything they know based on their first hand experience.



**Option 2: The Deafblind Association of Slovenia DLAN (20 min. walk from conference venue)**

The Deafblind Association of Slovenia DLAN is a representative, sovereign, independent, and professional disability organization that brings together deafblind people and their legal guardians from all around Slovenia. It was established with the purpose of determining, advocating, and satisfying the needs of the deaf-blind, while also representing their best interests.

The Deafblind Association of Slovenia DLAN is in charge of implementing the social welfare program Training and social reha-bilitation of deafblind persons which was professionally verified by the Social Chamber of Slovenia and within the frameworks of which a day center for the deafblind is run. On a daily basis, the Association provides different forms of individual support and various guided activities for the deafblind within the scope of the following cofinanced programs: Personal assistance, Training and social rehabilitation, Guiding and interpreting, Training of the deafblind and volunteers, Reducing social exclusion, Special informational and publishing engagement of people with deafblindness and their family members, Self-help for family members, and Professional counseling and advocacy for the deafblind.

**Option 3: Odnos NGO (15 min walk from conference venue)**

The migration program deals with various aspects of contemporary migration. They provide counselling, information, psychosocial and psychotherapeutic assistance and advocacy for various marginalized individuals and groups of migrants, such as asylum-seekers and persons under international protection, unaccompanied minors, undocumented migrants and others. They organize various activities to facilitate the integration of migrants into their new environment: familiarizing them with their local surroundings, organizations and institutions, with the customs of the majority population, assist them in dealing with paperwork, learning Slovenian, provide learning assistance, social, sporting and cultural activities as well as other forms of assistance with integration.

**Option 4: DNK NGO - Association for Nonviolent Communication (15 min walk from conference venue)**

Association for Nonviolent Communication (Društvo za nenasilno komunikacijo) is a nongovernmental, non-profit and humanitarian organization dedicated to prevention and reduction of violence and its consequences. It was founded in 1996 when it was the first non-governmental organization in Slovenia with programs for victims of violence as well as for perpetrators of violence. We believe that violence is a social and public health problem and it should never be considered a private home matter. We strive for an integrated solution to the problem of violence and therefore want to prevent violence and mitigate its consequences with programs for all individuals who experience it. Furthermore, we organize preventive and educational activities to raise awareness of the occurrences of violence to the professional community and general public. We consider it very important to cooperate with other institutions and organizations, on state and European level, as violence is a problem that requires integrative and systematic approach.

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### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 22

09:00

#### Plenum session (P8)

Social work as applied politics - Jeannette Hartman (NL)

Implementing solidarity on global and local level – a challenge for social work - Ewa Kantowicz (PL)

Profession under attack - Contradictions of Social Work enmeshed in the service base welfare state - Hans-Uwe Otto (DE)

10:30

#### Coffee break (Foyer)

11:00

#### Parallel sessions

##### Session 1: Social Cultural Social Work (P2) - Chair: Elisabet Van Wymeersch

How Public Libraries can contribute to solidarity and inclusiveness challenges of vulnerable citizens. - Michelle Bylemans, Nathalie Vallet & Elisabet Van Wymeersch (BE)

The Inclusive Economic Participation Site: Building the basics and fundamentals for a cooperative and site-oriented approach to social empowerment. - Elisabet Van Wymeersch, Nathalie Vallet & Michelle Bylemans (BE)

Importance of Mission focused on Children's Rights and Social Justice in Mentoring Interventions: A Czech Case Study of Big Brothers Big Sisters programme - Tereza Brumovská (IR)

"Future starts now". An experience of Future Dialogue in a community mediation intervention - Camilla Landi (IT)

##### Session 2: Child Welfare (P8) - Chair: Lieselot De Wilde

The Search for Effectiveness - Clinical Epidemiology to Implementation Research in Child Welfare Research – Sigrid James (DE)

Foster care: out-of-home placement in 'the best interest of the child'? – Lieselot De Wilde & Bruno Vanobbergen (BE)

Adolescent Parents as (Potential) Users of Offers of Parental Education – Hanna Gundlach (DE)

Protection concepts and pedagogical practice – discourse analytic perspectives on the prevention of sexual violence in residential child and youth care institutions - Mark Humme & Mathias Elosge (DE)

##### Session 3: Citizenship (P3) - Chair: Toon Benoot

Personal Budgets: A Practice Between Conditionality and Coincidence – Toon Benoot (BE)

Social work, citizenship and populism - Tuomo Kokkonen & Kati Turtiainen (FI)

Social Work and Citizenship. Ideas to a conception of a new theoretical paradigm - Karina Schlingensiepen-Trint (DE)

Ethnic Approach in Social Work with Social Excluded Groups and Critical Social Work Alternatives - Michal Kozubik (SI)

##### Session 4: Activation and Professionalisation (P1) - Chair: Mikko Mäntysaari

The well-being of the Finnish long-term unemployed as a proxy of Social Quality - Mikko Mäntysaari & Sami Ylistö (FI)

Personal debt problems: going beyond individual responsibility - Alexandre Antonin (SW)

Downgrading among people with a disability in Switzerland: what forms of action for a quality employment? - Antonin-Tattini Véronique (SW)

**13:00**      **Lunch break (Foyer)**

**14:00**      **Plenum session (P7)**

Social Work in the Shadow of the Welfare – Fabian Kessler (DE)

“Make social knowledge work” – when knowledge based Social Policy alienate social workers and social pedagogues in their daily day practice - Søren Langager (DK)

**15:10**      **Closing session (P7)**

**19:30**      **Farewell Diner (Restaurant Nebotičnik, Štefanova ulica 1, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenië)**



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