

Montréal Conference

Of the many opportunities ISTR Conferences offer, an important element is the opportunity to learn how the Third Sector manifests locally in the host country. Our upcoming conference will feature panels on the Québécois and Canadian experience more broadly and a colloquium hosted by the ARIMA network embedded within the conference itself (starting the day before). More information about these opportunities will follow in future blog posts. For now, we wanted to help familiarize you with the city of Montréal and provide some context for the city where we will gather in July.

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Workshop



INSPIRATIONS FROM THE SOUTH: *What theoretical lenses/methodological approaches produced in Latin America might nourish our research projects on social innovation and third sector?*

Date: Monday July 6, 2020, from 9h30 to 16h30 (with 1h30 break for a lunch)

Location: Concordia University

Brief description

This workshop seeks to present and discuss what we call 'inspirations from the South' in order to promote and nourish an intense North/South dialogue, particularly in the domain of social innovation. Despite the existence of a large body of literature that incorporates a variety of approaches, it should be noted that prevailing social innovation concepts/publications are essentially European and North American. The academic world that is interested in social innovation reproduces the same pattern of cultural domination and colonization of the imaginary that is condemned to other areas of the so-called 'science' (Pozzebon et al., 2019). In this workshop, we argue for the value of a greater



South-North knowledge sharing by providing an overview of the theoretical traditions coming from Latin America. This includes post-development and buen vivir, participatory action research and social technologies, to cite a few. Although presenting different historical trajectories, what all those streams share is a cultural and political positioning aligned with post-colonialism and post-scientism, challenging numerous premises of the Western vision of progress and science, including the supremacy of technical/scientific knowledge and emphasizing the importance of a higher local/peripheral protagonism.

This workshop will promote reflection and exchange about the possibilities of integrating more purposively Latin American theoretical lenses and methodological approaches in our research projects. The workshop is organized in two parts. In the morning, different participants will introduce different streams, each one debated and discussed to have the core assumptions and main concepts presented. In the afternoon, the participants will be organized in different tables to discuss and work together around one of the streams from the South. Each table will produce a one-page with the results of their discussion. The workshop will end with the organization of one agenda for future activities.

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Expected number of participants: 30

Criteria for participation: People interested to participate in the workshop should send one-page to marlei.pozzebon@hec.ca explaining her(his) connection with theoretical lenses or methodological approaches produced in Latin America and how she(he) will contribute to the theme of the workshop. Proposals (one-page) can be submitted in **French, English, Spanish or Portuguese** before **May 31, 2020** or until all spots are filled.

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The 2019-2020 Mentoring program is currently in session. Look for the call for the 2020-2021 program in March 2020! www.istr.org/page/Mentoring

This is a reminder to current participants to check in with your mentoring partner:



Nice to hear from these participants in ISTR's Mentoring Program who recently had the chance to meet in person: Oonagh Breen, Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin, Ireland, and ISTR President-Elect, met with her mentee, Danijel Baturina, Universitz of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, Croatia.