



# International Symposium

## Ageing and Lifestyles Transformations in the Mediterranean: Data and Issues in Social Sciences



**21 & 22 March 2017**

Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l'Homme  
5 rue du Château de l'Horloge  
Aix-en-Provence

Free entry on registration: <https://sodemomed2017.sciencesconf.org/>

**8h30** - Conference opening & Welcome

**9h10** - Opening Remarks

**Sophie Bouffier** (MMSH), **Alessandra De Rose** (La Sapienza University),  
**Ariel Mendez** (LEST)

**9h30** - Symposium Introduction

*Ageing and Lifestyles Transformations in the Mediterranean: Data and  
Issues in Social Sciences*

**Thierry Blöss**, sociologist (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LEST)  
Chief scientist ANR SODEMOMED

**9h50-10h30** - Inaugural Conference

*Comparative research within a European framework: opportunities,  
issues, perspectives*

**Dionigi Albera**, anthropologist (Aix-Marseille University, UMR IDEMEC)

*Coffee break*

**10h45-13h** - The Mediterranean Demographic Observatory

*DemoMed : an original initiative in Digital Humanities*

**Isabelle Blöss-Widmer**, demographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LAMES)

**Elena Ambrosetti**, demographer (Sapienza University of Rome, MEMOTEF, Italy)

**Christophe Chantraine, Stéphane Palicot**, GEOFIT (Nantes)

**Yoann Doignon**, demographer & geographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LAMES et ESPACE)

**Sébastien Oliveau**, geographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR Espace)

**Stéphane Pouyllau, Olivier Baude** TGIR Huma-Num (Lyon)

*Lunch break*

# Tuesday 21 March

## Afternoon session



### 14h - Conference

Re-thinking statistical indicators to reflect the shifting threshold of old age

**Patrice Bourdelais**, historian & demographer (INSHS, EHESS Paris)

### 14h45-18h - Round table 1

Construction of statistical data in the social sciences: issues and challenges of comparison, spatialisation and contextualisation

**Isabelle Blöss-Widmer**, demographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LAMES) *moderator*

**Cinzia Castagnaro**, statistician (ISTAT, Italia)

*Eurostat and national data collection practices: the experience of the Italian Statistical Institute.*

**Thierry Paccoud**, economist, **Giambattista Cantisani**, statistician (MEDSTAT IV, Italy)

*The context of the Euro-Mediterranean social statistical cooperation. Experience and perspectives from the MEDSTAT Programme.*

**Alain Chenu**, sociologist (Sciences Po Paris, OSC)

*Issues in drawing international comparisons using survey data. Case studies.*

### Coffee break

**Anne Laferrère**, economist (INSEE, CREST & Paris-Dauphine University)

*Multidisciplinary, longitudinal and international : the challenging features of the SHARE survey (Survey on Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe).*

**Mohamed Tozy**, political scientist (Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Aix-en-Provence, EGERabat Rabat, Morocco)

*The lessons learned from international surveys on social values: a Mediterranean perspective.*

**Denise Pumain**, geographer (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University, UMR Géographie-cités)

*Spatial analysis of social phenomena: the benefits and difficulties of taking geography into account.*



# Wednesday 22 March

## Morning session

### 8h30 - Welcome

### 9h-11h - Round table 2

The social and demographic process of ageing: similarities and contrasts

**Isabelle Blöss-Widmer**, demographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LAMES) *moderator*

**Youssef Courbage**, demographer (INED)

*Are societies taking action? Similarities between demographic behaviours and values in the Mediterranean.*

**Yoann Doignon**, demographer & geographer (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LAMES et ESPACE)

*Demographic transitions and ageing in the Mediterranean: will the South catch up with the North?*

**Anne-Marie Guillemard**, sociologist (EHESS Paris, CEMS)

*Longevity and ageing: identifying challenges and defining policies using a European comparative perspective.*

**Claude-Michel Loriaux**, demographer (Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium)

*Ageing, longevity and the grey revolution: a losing battle or a Utopia to (re)think?*

**Manuel Ribeiro**, sociologist & demographer (Autonomous University of Nuevo León, Mexico)

*The vulnerability of elderly people in in the specific context of developing countries: institutional responses to population ageing in Mexico.*

### Coffee break

### 11h15-13h15 - Round table 3

Family relations between generations in the heart of life cycle transformations

**Elena Ambrosetti**, demographer (Sapienza University of Rome, MEMOTEF, Italy) *moderator*

**Claudine Attias-Donfut**, sociologist (CNAV & Centre Edgar Morin)

*The changing nature of intergenerational ties and a new 'family spirit'.*

**Catherine Bonvalet**, demographer (INED)

*The challenge for baby boomers: free yet interdependent.*

**Laurent Nowik**, sociologist & demographer (Tours University, UMR CITERES)

*Family support put to the test by longer lives.*

**Florence Weber**, anthropologist & sociologist (ENS - Paris Sciences et Lettres, Centre Maurice Halbwachs)

*The very old, the mentally ill and marginalised youth: the signs of family solidarity under strain in time of crisis.*

### Lunch break



**14h15-16h15 - Round table 4**

The sexual division of labour and its political institutionalisation

**Thierry Blöss**, sociologist (Aix-Marseille University, UMR LEST) *moderator*

**Margarita León Borja**, sociologist (Autonomous University of Barcelona, IGOP, Spain)  
*Familism and social change: adapting to modern gender roles in Southern Europe.*

**Fiorenza Deriu**, political scientist (Sapienza University of Rome, MEMOTEF, Italy)  
*The challenge of the "forced" familism of women in Italy: differences in social gender roles and policy measures in comparison to some Northern European countries.*

**Agnès Martial**, anthropologist (EHESS Marseille)  
*From money earned to family money. Female contribution and compromises.*

**Claude Martin**, sociologist (EHESS & UMR CRAPE, Rennes)  
*Childhood, youth, parenthood and loss of autonomy: is "gender blindness" gaining ground? France within Southern Europe.*

Coffee break

**16h30 - Closing conference**

Social ties in the Mediterranean: a specific patterns of social bonds?

**Serge Paugam**, sociologist (EHESS Paris & UMR CMH)

Cocktail reception

**Chief scientist**

**Thierry Blöss** (UMR LEST)

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**Coming to the symposium**

*By bus*

From Aix-en-Provence city-center line 8 (direction Margueride) or line 9 (direction Saint Mitre). Get off at bus stop "Picasso", MMSH is 200 meters away down.

*By car* (Highway A51)

*Exit "Aix centre"* - turn left into Avenue de l'Europe, then Avenue St John Perse, Rotonde du Bois de l'Aune, Avenue Pablo Picasso, Rue du Château de l'Horloge.

*Exit "Aix ouest"* - direction "Jas de Bouffan" - Avenue St John Perse, Rotonde du Bois de l'Aune, Avenue Pablo Picasso, Rue du Château de l'Horloge.

*By train* (TGV Train station of Aix-en-Provence)

Shuttle bus to "Gare routière" - then bus line 8 direction Margueride. Get off at bus stop "Picasso", MMSH is 200 meters away down.

*By plane*

Marseille-Marignane Airport

Shuttle bus to "Gare routière" - then bus line 8 direction Margueride. Get off at bus stop "Picasso", MMSH is 200 meters away down.

**Catering**

CROUS cafeteria at the MMSH opposite the lecture theatre.

Mobile caterer next to the entrance of the MMSH.



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