
1973 IPSA Comparative Legislative Studies Panel

The International Political Science Association meeting scheduled for Montreal, Canada, August 19-25, 1973 will include for the first time a specialists panel on Comparative Legislative Studies. The panel will be chaired by Professor Allan Kornberg, Department of Political Science, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina 27706 and Professor Gerhard Loewenberg, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 52240. Would all scholars who are currently engaged in comparative research in this area (either cross-national, within country, or temporal) who would like to present a paper at the International Meeting please send an outline of their prospective paper to Professors Kornberg and Loewenberg. The outline should describe the research to be presented, describe the structure of the data base if the paper is to be based on data, and estimate the date by which a completed paper can be sent to the co-chairmen.

Strathclyde Summer School for Training in Comparative Research

The 1973 European Summer School for training in comparative research will be held at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow from 18th July to 17th August, 1973. The theme will be Society and Government. Professor Richard Rose, of the Politics Department is Director of the Summer School and Dr. William Miller, associate Director.

The main purpose of the School will be to advance the students' substantive understanding of European societies by the practical device of engaging in comparative data analysis. The Summer School will consist of formal lectures, work groups, and allow ample time for students to do computing work. Students will have regular access to an IBM 370/155 computer with SPSS programmes mounted. Machine-readable data will be available for Britain, Germany, Norway, the Netherlands, the United States, Canada, France and several other European countries. For most countries there will be data on at least two levels, e.g., survey and aggregate ecological data.

The work groups, lasting the length of the Summer School, will concern such topics as regional variations in public expenditure, ecological

influences upon social behaviour, government coalitions, cross-level studies of political representation, generational differences in social behaviour, attitude scaling, and class, religion and voting. Work group leaders will be drawn from a variety of institutions reaching from Norway and Germany to the United States.

Among those appearing as lecturers for shorter periods will be Professor Hans Daalder, Leiden, Professor Robert Mokken, Amsterdam, Professors Warren E. Miller and Richard Hofferbert, University of Michigan, Professor Richard Rose of Strathclyde and Donald Stokes, Michigan. Additional lecturers will be announced later.

The School will have 50 to 60 students drawn from a range of European countries plus North America. Each successful applicant will be expected to have already undertaken post-graduate work in the social sciences, to have a good grounding in basic statistical techniques and have a basic knowledge of data analysis and the use of canned computer programmes. The teaching language of the School will be English.

Because of a generous subsidy provided by the Volkswagen Foundation through the International Social Science Council, tuition can be kept to \$180. Students applying from Schools that are members of the European Consortium for Political Research may obtain a tuition refund from the ECPR and also a grant toward expenses at the Summer School. Accommodation can be provided on site, and a wide range of ancillary activities are planned.

The Strathclyde Summer School will be the second in a cycle held under the sponsorship of the International Social Science Council. The first was held at the Zentralarchiv at Cologne in August 1972 under the directorship of Professors Stein Rokkan and Erwin Scheuch. Further details about the Strathclyde Summer School from: Professor Richard Rose, Politics Department, University of Strathclyde, Richmond Street, Glasgow, G1 1XQ.

European Journal of Political Research

The European Journal of Political Research, the official journal of the European Consortium for Political Research will initiate publication this spring. Its principal objective is to foster com-