

**Friday July 8, 14:15-15:45**

**Sociological Systems Theory: Limits and Possibilities (ISA RC 51 Session)  
Session A**

Chair: Vessela Misheva, Uppsala University (Sweden)

Room: 463

*Conceptualizing Ecological Sociology: Using System Theory to Integrate Sociology and Ecology*

Gary Bowden, University of New Brunswick (Canada)

*Regulation as Paradox. The Ambiguous Role of the Political System in Modern Society*

Claus Hadamek & Werner Schirmer, University of Munich (Germany)

*A Sociological Communication Machine. Social Systems Theory between Individuals and Society*

Giulia Caramaschi & Fabio Giglietto, University of Urbino (Italy)

*An Essential Supplement? On Culture as Medium and Operative Fiction in Social Systems*

Rudi Laermans, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)

*Modern Systems Theory and Globalization*

Vessela Misheva, Uppsala University (Sweden)

**Friday July 8, 16:00-17:30**

**Sociological Systems Theory: Limits and Possibilities (ISA RC 51 Session)  
Session B**

Convener: Vessela Misheva, Uppsala University (Sweden)

Chair: Rudi Laermans, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)

Room: 463

*The Biological Roots of Human Society. What Implications Might Maturana and Bateson Have for Sociological Theory?*

Christopher Kindblad, Halmstad University (Sweden)

*About the Limitations of a System Approach to Social Transformation Studies*

Valentyna Podshyvalkina, I. Mechnikov National University, Odessa (Ukraine)

*Information Policy At The State University In Mexico*

Egbert Sánchez Vanderkast, National Autonomous University of Mexico (Mexico)

*The Identification and Basic Structure of Institutions*

Pavel Luksha, Higher School of Economics (Russia) & University of Hertfordshire (UK)

*Some Limits and Possibilities Concerning the use of Systemic Perspectives to Research Social Phenomena in Human Organizations*

Arne Collen, Saybrook Graduate School (USA)

**Distributive Papers:**

*Beyond the Methodenstreit in Social Systems Theory*

Richard Jung, University of Alberta (Canada) & the Center for Systems Research, Czech Republic