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## REGULAR SESSION INFORMATION

**Title of Session:** East Asian Community: Histories, Realities, and Visions

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**Session Abstract (up to 250 words):** Globalization, as a regionalizing process has touched East Asia and has linked the region into a rapidly networked system. With the successful but unstable growth of EU, the quest for East Asian community has recently become a rich subject for social scientific research. However, sociological approach to East Asian community is neither fully developed nor properly appreciated. This session aims to build a sociological framework for East Asian Community studies by inviting papers on the following topics of five areas. Papers using empirical methods as well as theoretical analyses are welcome.

- 1) Lessons from European Union and East Asian Community
- 2) East Asian Community as Historical Movements
- 3) East Asian Community as an Alternative Globalization
- 4) Sustainable Networks in East Asia: Processes, Structures, and Emergent Communities
- 5) Asian Values and Reinventing East Asian Identity

### General information

During each afternoon of the congress, there will be room for a large number of parallel regular sessions. Each session is 90 minutes long and consists of an oral presentation of 4 to 6 papers. Session conveners are expected to administer and chair their session at the 2009 IIS World Congress.

Starting in mid-December, calls for papers to participate in approved sessions will be posted on the website. Interested participants will contact the session convener (you) directly with an abstract no

later than February 28, 2009. The session convener should take in all submissions and select the best 4 to 6 papers to be presented and forward this information, including e-mail addresses of accepted authors, to the IIS Secretariat no later than March 15, 2009.