

IS VULNERABILITY EVERYWHERE?

From 12th to 13th June 2017

Place: Château de Bossey

Participants : max. 20 doctoral students LIVES

Languages : English and French

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Abstract: In a famous speech in 1997 in Grenoble, the French sociologists Pierre Bourdieu contended that “today precariousness is everywhere”. Ever since the questions of the spread of exclusion, precariousness or insecurity in the society is controversially debated in the social sciences. Whereas certain scholars think that social insecurity is confined to a very small and marginal group of excluded, others ascertain that the society as a whole – including its norms and regularities – is profoundly shaken and becomes increasingly precarious and vulnerable. The concepts of exclusion, precariousness and vulnerability are important pivots of the NCCR LIVES and are mobilised in numerous doctoral theses that are currently written within this program. Therefore, in this module of the LIVES doctoral program we seek to discuss these concepts, their scope and meaning, how they are related to each other, how they differ from each other and how they can be operationalised. Speakers from different disciplines, approaches and national traditions will present their conceptualisation of exclusion, precariousness and/or vulnerability. In a second step, by means of more interactive workshops we will engage with the theses of the LIVES PhD-students and support them in the development of their theoretical thoughts on the notions of exclusion, vulnerability and precariousness.

PROGRAMME

Monday 12th June 2017

09h30-10h00	Introduction and presentation (C. Maggiori & F. Bühlmann) participant-e-s
10h00-11h30	Keynote : La vulnérabilité. Une approche par le parcours de vie (Michel Oris, UNIGE)

11h45-13h45	Lunch
14h00-17h30	Vulnerability – Applications in specific research fields
14h00-14h40	Oliver Moeschler (UNIL) – La précarité des artistes en Suisse
14h40-15h20	Annamaria Colombo (HETS-FR) – Vulnérabilité et mendicité
15h20-16h00	Oriane Sarrasin (UNIL) – Why and when women are (perceived to be) vulnerable
16h00-16h20	Pause
16h20-17h00	Christian Maggiori (HETS-Fr) – The frailty of the elderly
16h00-17h30	Leva Urbanaviciute (UNIL) – Job insecurity

Tuesday 13th June

08h30-12h30	Workshops on the concepts of Vulnerability & co
08h30-10h30	Exercice et discussion portant sur la famille de concepts relatifs à la vulnérabilité
10h30-11h00	Pause
11h00-12h30	Exercice « Projet de recherche » (inspiré par des projets de thèse des participant-e-s)
12h30-14h00	Lunch
14h00-15h30	Keynote : Social vulnerability and economic insecurity of the European middle class: still an untold story. (Constanzo Ranci, Politecnico di Milano)
15h30-16h00	Final Discussion