Dear colleagues and friends,

Apologies for cross posting. We invite abstract submissions to the thematic session RELIGION, ECOLOGY AND TRANSNATIONALISM to be held at the 32nd ISSR (International Society for the Sociology of Religion) Conference in Turku, Finland 27-30 June, 2013. DL for submissions is October 31st.

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RELIGION, ECOLOGY AND TRANSNATIONALISM

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English abstract:

Concurrently as environmental threats have been considered as one of the most serious issues of modern time, contemporary religious traditions have developed their environmental discourses. These currents have often evolved into ecological movements which transcend both geographical and religious borders. Environmental movements are apt examples of the interconnection between the local and the global. In these religiously inspired ecological encounters ecumenical and transnational dialogue is built. We hope to receive both empirical and theoretical papers examining religious transnational environmental communities that emphasize ecumenical and dialogical points of view. We also welcome papers of the general relationship between religion and ecology/environmentalism.

French abstract

Concurremment avec les menaces de l'environnement qui ont été considérées comme l'un des problèmes les plus graves de l'époque moderne, les traditions religieuses contemporaines ont développé leurs discours environnementaux. Ces courants ont souvent évolué en mouvements écologiques qui dépassent des frontières aussi bien géographiques que religieuses. Les mouvements écologiques sont des exemples appropriés de l'interconnexion entre le local et le global. Suite à ces rencontres écologiques d'inspiration religieuse, un dialogue oecuménique et transnational se développe. Nous espérons recevoir à la fois des études empiriques et des articles théoriques qui étudient des communautés religieuses transnationales de l'environnement qui mettent l'accent sur les points de vue oecuméniques et dialogiques. Des études du rapport général entre la religion et l'écologie/l'écologisme sont également les bienvenues.

Send your paper abstract to the convenors of this session (Heikki Pesonen and Laura Wickström) before OCTOBER 31st 2012.

Note that the ISSR/SISR rules for proposing a paper are strict so, please, follow carefully the guidelines below: Use only standard times new roman font in 12pt and bold when asked, see below. Give the following information in the set order:

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- The abstract should follow in the language that will be used during the presentation at the conference (200 words maximum)

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<http://www.sisr-issr.org/English/Conferences/Conferences.htm>

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