

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ I Seminario de Historia Comparada de los Conceptos Políticos en el Mundo Iberoamericano. April 10-11, 2006 in Madrid. Coordinators and participating researchers of the Iberconcepts Project will be meeting in order to evaluate the preliminary results as well as theoretical, empirical, and comparative issues of the project in which scholars from Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Portugal, and Spain analyze the concepts that were crucial in the making of the political language of modern Iberoamerica.
- ▶ Quentin Skinner Conference in Madrid. March 30, 2006, at the Centro de Estudios Políticos y Constitucionales de Madrid. In his first academic visit to Spain, Quentin Skinner will deliver a talk entitled “Three Concepts of Liberty?” at the conference-colloquium organized by Javier F. Sébastian.
- ▶ Concepta 2005 - A group of approximately 25 MA and PHD level students from Finland, Denmark, Greece, Russia, England, and Brazil attended the first summer course on conceptual history organized by the Concepta research training program, held at the Helsinki University from August 16-31, 2005. Opening lectures by Martin J. Burke (City University of New York) and Jan Ifversen (Aarhus University) provided an in-depth presentation of the traditions and methodological practices of conceptual history and were followed by several case-studies by Kari Palonen (University of Jyväskylä), Pim den Boer (University of Amsterdam), Henrik Stenius (University of Helsinki), Pauli Kettunen (University of Helsinki), Matti Hyvarinen (University of Tampere), Pia Letto-Vanamo (University of Helsinki), Pasi Ihalainen (University of Jyväskylä), and Risto Alapuro (University of Helsinki). Furthermore, students had the opportunity to present and receive commentary on their ongoing research in a series of workshops which concluded the summer course. Response from the students attending the course was stimulating and prepa-

ration for next year's *Concepta* summer course to be held in Uppsala is already in progress.

- ▶ *Journée d'Études: La sémantique historique – geneses et pratiques comparés* (Allemagne, Angleterre, Espagne, France, Italie). October 14, 2005 at the Centre de Recherches Politiques de Sciences Po (CEVIPOF), 98, rue de l'Université, 75007 Paris. Jointly organized by Cevipof and the Centre de Recherches Interdisciplinaires sur l'Allemagne (CRIA, EHESS, Paris), the journée proposes to examine the theoretical and empirical premises of conceptual history, the history of discourse, linguistic history of concepts, and the history of ideopraxis. It is open to students interested in intellectual, cultural, and social history, and will be composed of lectures and discussions by Alexandre Escudier, Lucien Jaume, Jörn Leonhard Javier Fernández Sebastià, Jacques Guilhaumou, Pierre-André Taguieff, Sandro Chignola, Catherine Brice, Gil Delannoi, and Michael Werner.
- ▶ The Committee on Conceptual and Terminological Analysis (COCTA), a research committee of the International Sociological Association (ISA), will be organizing sessions at the ISA's annual congress to be held in Durban, South Africa, in 2006.
The thematic sessions are: Contingency and Directionality, The Concept of Modernity, Concept Formation and the Critique of "Orientalism", On the Concept of Gift Exchange in Modern Society, and On the concept of the "Good Life" in Contemporary Sociology. For a complete description of the sessions, call for papers and deadlines visit the website: http://www.ucm.es/info/isa/congress2006/rc/rc35_durban.htm.