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The call for papers of the session,

Re-discovering Grounded Theory. Forty years of the research practice.

The session will be on grounded theory methodology (GTM). The papers should concentrate on practical aspects of constructing grounded theory and doing research in the convention of GT, and also on teaching and using constructed GTM. The session would also concentrate on some qualitative and quantitative aspects of the methodology.

The particular themes of the session concentrate on practical aspects of GTM style of data analyses and its usages in the institutional contexts and in teaching of social sciences and others subjects, and methodological problems of validity, reliability, authenticity, intimate familiarity, context and generalization in GT methodology.

It would also concentrate on developments of GTM during the 40 years, since the publication of A. Strauss and B. Glaser's "Discovery of Grounded Theory" in 1967. The description of developments in historical perspective should concentrate on the constructing and continuous adding new analytical procedures and paradigmatic inspirations to practicing GTM. It relates also to the aspects of validity and credibility and other criteria of evaluating GTM research reports. It should also concentrate on practical aspects of GT methodology application and substantive or formal grounded theories (in business, social and political contexts).

Finally, the session will be an opportunity to compare GTM developments in the American and European social sciences, to see if and how these two traditions differ, and how they can strengthen each other and contribute to the future scholarship.

The presentation of a paper will take no more than 15 minutes.

Deadline for the abstracts is February 17, 2008. Please send the abstract to the organizer of the session. The session organizers or the organisation committee will inform you about the acceptance at latest by the end of March.

Although the session organizers are responsible for their sessions, the final acceptance of a paper is after registration for the conference. Please use early-bird registration.