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POST WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE REPORT

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Title of workshop/conference: *XX ISA World Congress of Sociology 2023*

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<p>Conference Summary: <i>Brief description, conference organisers, target audience, venue and duration.</i></p>
<p>I attended the XX ISA World Congress of Sociology 2023 held from 25th to 1st September 2023 in Melbourne, Australia. It was themed: <i>Resurgent Authoritarianism: The Sociology of New Entanglements of Religions, Politics, and Economies</i>. The conference brought together linguists, sociologists and other social scientists from all over the world and was organized by the International Sociological Association under whose umbrella, RC25: Language and Society falls. I am a member of both.</p>
<p>Workshop/ Conference Objectives: <i>Describe conference objectives</i></p>
<p>The conference had the objective of exploring and interrogating the nexus between religion, politics and economies and the way language weaves in.</p>
<p>Lessons Learnt: <i>Identify specifically what you are bringing back from the conference that relates to your departmental/ school/ University objectives.</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Kenyatta University was identified as the host ISA RC25 in 2026 subject to the requisite approval b) Refereed journal contacts (Journal of Pedagogy in particular) c) Contacts of scholars interested in joint research (Indonesia in particular) d) Current theories and methodologies of conducting linguistic research (e.g. corpus-based methodologies)
<p>Title of Paper/Presentations/Lectures done by self:</p>
<p>I presented two co-authored papers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Hustler ” Vs. “Dynasty ” Discourse in Kenya: A Herald of Issue-Based-Politics or a New Frontier in Othering (Co-authored with Dr. Gatitu Kiguru, Department of Literature, Linguistics and Foreign Languages) 2. Youth Languageing: A Peek into Their Attitude Towards Sex and Sexuality (Co-authored with Dr. Purity Nthiga, Department of Literature, Linguistics and Foreign Languages)
<p>Partnership/Collaborations/Funding Opportunities/Networks Developed: <i>List new contacts developed that may be useful for collaborations and funding</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Firmed up a working relationship with the ISA RC25 secretariat, particularly the president, Prof. Keiji Fujiyoshi, and the journal’s Chief Editor, Anna Adrowaz –Coates.
<p>Additional Comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>I would like to thank Kenyatta University, particularly the Vice Chancellor, for granting me permission to attend the congress.</p>