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Cher membre d'ISCHE Dear ISCHE member Lieber ISCHE Mitglied

All of you who were at ISCHE 38 on Chicago will, I am sure, agree that it was a wonderful conference in terms of intellectual exchange and cultural discoveries, as well as an opportunity to connect with old friends and meet new ones. We began with dancing with the American Indian drum welcome at the opening ceremony, rode around the city in American (un air-conditioned) yellow school busses, and ended the banquet dancing once again to an Afro-Cuban band. For those who could not attend, we were able to live stream for the first time three of the four plenary conferences: <a href="isset-eng/2016-livestream">isset-eng/2016-livestream</a>

- -Elliott Gorn's lecture: Chicago and Mississippi, Race, Violence and Education. The 1955 Emmett Till Case.
- -Cynthia Greiva Varga's lecture: The civilization/decivilization of the body at school and the emotional, social and historical tensions present in this dynamic :
- -Sandy Sufian's lecture: Educability, disability and the making of family: the case of American adoption.

The abstract book for the conference is now available and should be of interest for all ISCHE members whether they were able to attend or not.

http://www.ische.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/ISCHE-38-Abstract-Book.pdf

There are a number of issues I would like to draw your attention to this fall, especially for those members who were unable to attend ISCHE this year.

- 1) To begin with: the general assembly approved the creation of an ISCHE 2017 First Book Award for monographs published in 2015 and 2016. **We have extended the nomination process until October 1.** Please check the website for more information and circulate the information to early career scholars: :http://www.ische.org/request-for-submissions-2017-ische-first-book-award/
- 2) Secondly, we recently signed a contract with Palgrave Macmillan creating an ISCHE book series: « Global Histories of Education ». Do not hesitate to reach out to the editors about your publishing projects on the subject. More information on this book series is available here: <a href="http://www.ische.org/publications/book-series/">http://www.ische.org/publications/book-series/</a>

- 3) New initiatives: we will be getting back in touch with you over the year about a series of new initiatives we are launching which were presented at the ISCHE general assembly. In particular, we are working on a database concerning historians of education, and an ISCHE history of education salon initiative which aims at making available on our website short videos where scholars discuss issues in our field. A presentation of the latter will shortly be available at <a href="http://www.ische.org/salon/">http://www.ische.org/salon/</a>
- 4) The call for papers for ISCHE 39 in Buenos Aires (July 2017) will shortly be available on the website. Keep your eyes open for this. Among the new initiatives centered around our annual conference is the decision to offer travel bursaries to a number of early career scholars to attend the meeting. Information about the possibilities of applying for these bursaries will be made available after announcement that papers have been accepted mid-March 2017.

I look forward to hearing from you over the year and would like to remind you to check the ISCHE website frequently for announcements of interest to our community that include conferences around the world, funding opportunities, call for papers for special issues, etc. Enjoy the fall and keep us informed of your activities in the field of the history of education. All the best,

With warmest regards

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