

**Call for abstracts: *Between materiality and construction? Researching emotions from a multi-paradigmatic perspective*. A joined session with the Research Network 11 “Sociology of Emotions” of the European Sociological Association.**

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Emotions and affects are increasingly the focus of analysis across a number of disciplines and professional settings, however their tacit and explicit role in both selection of methodology and interpretation of data can be overshadowed by attempts to rationalise particular choices. The question of how to empirically study emotionality in social contexts is particularly problematic as, with their language of objectivity, methodology textbooks may fail to do justice to the requirement of emotion research, suggesting new languages and techniques may be needed.

For this session, the question of the postulation of the special position of emotions and affects between materiality and construction – which might be connected to the discussion about new materialism – and the question what this may imply for empirical research are the focus of interest. Questions arise such as: How can we as researchers, cope adequately with this supposed “In-Betweenness” of emotions and affects? What are the best methodical tools for achieving this purpose? What kind of methodology is needed? How do we, study and identify emotional and affective states? How can we calculate the impact of emotions as drivers of political and social change? This panel devoted to methods and emotion will enable some of these fundamental questions to be fruitfully considered in the light of the discussions that arose from the earlier RN11 sessions.

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