

# Congress of the Swiss Sociological Association 2019

## The Future of Work

September 10-12, 2019  
University of Neuchâtel



## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

June 5, 2019

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The present document provides some information on guest speakers, registration procedures, travel, accommodation, and leisure activities to anyone interested in attending the 2019 Congress of the Swiss Sociological Association. More information about the event venue and logistics can be found in the program (see below). We hope to welcome you in Neuchâtel.

### Guest speakers

[David Brady](#), University of California at Riverside

[Craig Calhoun](#), Arizona State University and London School of Economics

[Noortje Marres](#), University of Warwick

[Dominique Méda](#), Université Paris II Dauphine

[George Ritzer](#), University of Maryland

[Richard Sennett](#), New York University and London School of Economics

[Heike Solga](#), Berlin Social Science Center (WZB)

### The program

A preliminary program is now available on our [website](#). This document will be updated in early March and at the end of May. A PDF version of the final program will be available for download on our website on August 15. It will also be available for congress participants with mobile devices through Conference4Me after that date. Participants who would like a print copy may order one during registration and will receive it at check-in.

### Registration

Participants must register online using the link on our [website](#). On-site registration will also be available on Sept. 10 and 11 (cash only). Participants who have registered may pick up their badges and program kit at the registration desk. All workshop and plenary session participants (i.e. presenters and organizers) must register by July 31 to have their names included in the program.

	<b>Early bird</b> Before June 15, 2019	<b>Standard</b> June 16, 2019 to August 31, 2019	<b>On site</b> (cash only) September 10-11, 2019
<b>Student</b>	50 CHF	80 CHF	110 CHF
<b>SSA Member</b>	130 CHF	160 CHF	190 CHF
<b>Non-Member</b>	160 CHF	190 CHF	210 CHF

SSA: Swiss Sociological Association

### The conference registration fee includes:

- Access to all conference sessions
- Conference folder with name badge and program overview
- Conference program book and book of abstracts (in pdf format)
- Conference4me download
- Coffee (during the coffee breaks of the conference)
- Welcome reception (September 10, 2019)
- Lunch box (September 11, 2019)

## Congress locations

The congress will take place at the two following locations:

- Main Building, University of Neuchâtel, Avenue du Premier Mars 26, 2000 Neuchâtel.
- Aula Jeunes-Rives and Social Sciences Building (Faculté des Lettres et Sciences Humaines - FLSH), University of Neuchâtel, Espace Timo-Frey 1 (formerly Espace Louis-Agassis), 2000 Neuchâtel.

## Getting to Neuchâtel

Neuchâtel can be reached by train from Paris, Milano (via Lausanne), Berlin (via Basel and Biel), Vienna (via Innsbruck and Zürich) and any large or mid-size city in Switzerland or near its borders. Please visit the [SBB website](#) for train information.

If you are flying, the most convenient airports to get to Neuchâtel are Geneva and Zurich. Direct trains to Neuchâtel leave every hour from Geneva and Zurich airports at 5' and 13' past the hour respectively. Travel time is 1 hour 19 minutes from Geneva airport and 1 hour 48 minutes from Zurich airport. You can buy your tickets at the airport. A second class one-way ticket costs 48 Swiss francs (CHF) from Geneva airport and 59 CHF from Zurich airport; second class return tickets cost 96 CHF from Geneva and 118 CHF from Zurich. Once in Neuchâtel, a funicular service connects the train station to the University campus and Main Building.

## Conference language

The working languages of the congress are French, German, and English.

## Social event

The program includes a social event on the evening of Wednesday, September 11 at the [Centre Dürrenmatt Neuchâtel](#). More information about the event is available [here](#). Congress participants who wish to attend must select the option during registration and pay a 45 CHF fee. A cap is set at 150 attendants, so hurry up.

## Accommodation

Some rooms have been set aside in the following hotels until June 15, 2019. Unfortunately, after this date, we cannot guarantee price or availability. To benefit from event discount rates, congress participants must book their rooms via email and provide the corresponding code (see below). Each hotel uses a different code.

- **Hôtel des Arts, Rue J.-L. Pourtalès 3, 2000 Neuchâtel, Phone: +41 (0)32 727 61 61, E-mail: [info@hoteldesarts.ch](mailto:info@hoteldesarts.ch), Website: <http://www.hoteldesarts.ch>**

30 Double Rooms with bathroom  
**CHF 133.00** the room (individual use)  
**CHF 177.00** the room (2 people)

5 Small Single Rooms with WC/shower  
**CHF 104.00** the room

The prices include breakfast buffet, Wi-Fi, "Transport Card" and taxes.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation number "N°111183"** if you book a room in this hotel.

- **Hôtel Alpes et Lacs, Place de la Gare 2, 2002 Neuchâtel, Phone: +41 (0)32 723 19 19, E-mail: [info@alpesetlac.ch](mailto:info@alpesetlac.ch), Website: [www.alpesetlac.ch](http://www.alpesetlac.ch)**

8 Rooms (station side) :  
**CHF 134.-** (individual use)  
**CHF 172.-** (2 people)

15 Rooms (lake side) :  
**CHF 162.-** (individual use)  
**CHF 198.-** (2 people)

2 Single Rooms (lake side) :  
**CHF 163.-** (individual use only)

The prices include breakfast and taxes.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation number "N°120988"** if you book a room in this hotel.

- **Hôtel Touring au Lac, Place Numa-Droz 1, 2001 Neuchâtel, Phone : +41 32 725 55 01, E-mail: [hotel@touringaulac.ch](mailto:hotel@touringaulac.ch) , Website : [www.touringaulac.ch](http://www.touringaulac.ch)**

5 Single Rooms (city side)  
**CHF 128.00** the room

5 Single Rooms, (Harbour side)  
**CHF 143.00** the room

5 Double Rooms (city side) / With king size bed or 2 beds.  
**CHF 158.00** the room, (2 people)  
**CHF 143.00** the room, (individual use)

10 Double Rooms, (Harbour side) / With king size bed or 2 beds.  
**CHF 178.00** the room, (2 people)  
**CHF 163.00** the room, (individual use)

The prices include breakfast buffet and taxes.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation code "Congrès SSS 2019"** if you book a room in this hotel.

- **Hôtel L'Ecluse, Rue de l'Ecluse 24, 2000 Neuchâtel, Phone: +41 (0)32 729 93 10, E-mail: [info@hoteldelecluse.ch](mailto:info@hoteldelecluse.ch) , Website: [www.hoteldelecluse.ch](http://www.hoteldelecluse.ch)**

10 Double Rooms  
**CHF. 152.—** (individual use)

The price includes breakfast buffet, Wi-Fi and taxes.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation code "Congrès SSS 2019"** if you book a room in this hotel.

Parkings are available if you come by car. Please ask the hotel for more details.

- **L'Aubier Le Café-Hôtel, Rue du Château 1, 2000 Neuchâtel, Phone: +41 (0)32 710 18 58, E-mail: [LECAFE@AUBIER.CH](mailto:LECAFE@AUBIER.CH) , Website: <https://www.aubier.ch/fr/cafe-hotel-bio.html>**

3 Rooms with bathroom

**CHF 111.-** (individual use)

**CHF 153.-** (2 people)

6 Rooms with bathroom sink (WC and shower available on the same floor)

**CHF 73.-** (individual use)

**CHF 102.-** (2 people)

The price includes breakfast.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation code “Congrès SSS 2019”** if you book a room in this hotel.

- **Hôtel Les Vieux Toits, Croix d'Or 20, 2068 Hauterive, Phone: +41 (0)32 753 42 42, E-mail: [hotel@vieux-toits.ch](mailto:hotel@vieux-toits.ch) Website: <http://www.vieux-toits.ch>**

3 Double Rooms Standard

**CHF 278.00** the room, (2 people)

**CHF 139.00** the room, (individual use)

4 Double Rooms Superior

**CHF 298.00** the room, (2 people)

**CHF 149.00** the room, (individual use)

2 Single Rooms

**CHF. 129.—** (individual use)

The reception desk is open from 17:30 to 20:00. If you plan to arrive before or after open hours please contact the hotel by e-mail or phone 24 hours in advance to advise them consequently and obtain the main door access code.

The price doesn't include breakfast.

Please provide the following **pre-reservation code “#10003622”** if you book a room in this hotel.

## **Weather**

The average temperature in Neuchâtel in September usually ranges from 14 to 20 Celsius.

## **Touristic activities in and around Neuchâtel**

Here are some references and suggestions for leisure and sightseeing during your time in Neuchâtel:

- **Tourist Office:** the Neuchâtel Tourist Office (office du tourisme) is located at the Place du Port. Visitors information, sightseeing brochures, city walking tours, guided visit of the Castle of Neuchâtel etc. are available. Contact: phone: +41 (0)32 889 68 90; fax +41 (0)32 889 62 96, e-mail: [info@ne.ch](mailto:info@ne.ch)  
(see also <http://www.neuchatel-tourisme.ch/e/home/>)
- **Funicular railway Chaumont:** Just 5 minutes from downtowns, the funicular La Coudre-Chaumont offers you a panoramic view of the three lakes and the Alps.
- **Botanic garden of the University of Neuchâtel:** Permanent exhibitions and wide spaces dedicated to the natural environment of the Jura can be discovered all year round. Temporary scientific and artistic exhibitions

organized from May to October (see <http://www2.unine.ch/jardin>)

- Tourist train: The tourist train of Neuchâtel runs daily at 1:45 pm, 2:45 pm, 3:45 pm, 4:45 pm.
- Natural History Museum: see <http://www.museum-neuchatel.ch/new/index.php>
- Museum of Ethnography: see <http://www.men.ch/>
- Dürrenmatt Center: The Dürrenmatt Centre – built by Mario Botta – reveals the pictorial and literary work of Friedrich Dürrenmatt (1921–1990), one of Switzerland's most important writer and dramatist (see <http://www.cdn.ch/html/home.html>)
- Laténium - Park and Archaeological Museum of Neuchâtel: see <http://www.latenium.ch/>
- Wineries:
  - Caves de la ville de Neuchâtel: [www.cavevillentel.ch](http://www.cavevillentel.ch)
  - Sandoz Vins: [www.sandoz-vins.ch](http://www.sandoz-vins.ch)
  - Caves de la Béroche: [www.caves-beroches.ch](http://www.caves-beroches.ch)

#### *In the area:*

- La Chaux-de-Fonds and Le Locle / Watchmaking Museums: The two watchmaking metropolises situated on the Jura plateau (1000 m) are easily accessible (from Neuchâtel, 30 minutes by train). Two famous watchmaking museums are the International Watchmaking Museum of La Chaux-de-Fonds (see [www.mih.ch](http://www.mih.ch)) and the Horological Museum of Le Locle (see <http://www.mhl-monts.ch/fr/sections.php?op=viewarticle&artid=1>). In La Chaux-de-Fonds you can also visit the Le Corbusier's Maison blanche (see [www.maisonblanche.ch](http://www.maisonblanche.ch)).
- Boat tours: There is an excellent boat service on the lakes of Neuchâtel, Morat/Murten and Bienn/Biel (see <http://www.navig.ch/navigation.php?id=9&page=accueil>)
- Gorges de l'Areuse: The Gorges de l'Areuse is a narrow gorge through the limestones of the Jura. The Areuse river springs at Saint-Sulpice in the Jura mountains and drains to the south, towards Lac de Neuchâtel. Take the train from Neuchâtel main station to Val-de-Travers and get off at the railway station of Noiraigue. Hiking time from Noiraigue to Boudry (train station or tramway station) is about 3 hours. There is a beautiful restaurant (l'Hôtel de la Truite) at Champ-du-Moulin (after 1 hour hiking).
- Creux du Van: The Creux du Van – the Grand Canyon of Switzerland – is a long, half rounded cliff that developed naturally through erosion. Its walls are up to 200 meter high. On clear days you can see Lake Neuchâtel and the Alps. A trip to the Creux du Van is highly recommendable, even for persons with slight walking ambition. Take the train from Neuchâtel main station to Val-de-Travers and get off at the railway station of Noiraigue. Hiking time to the top point (800 m) is about 2 hours. Nearby (5 minutes) is the farmhill restaurant “Le Soliat”. You can also take the bus at Couvet (Val-de-Travers) or Yverdons-les-Bains to La Combaz (bus service, however, is not frequent).
- Doubs River: The Doubs river, at the Swiss-French boundary, offers lovely walks on the way to the waterfall Saut-du-Doubs.
- Historical sites and Burgundian Castles: There are several historical sites and castles in the surroundings of Neuchâtel:
  - Castle of Boudry, also known for its Wine Museum (see <http://www.chateauboudry.ch/>)
  - Castle of Vaumarcus (see <http://www.chateauvaumarcus.ch/>)
  - Castle of Grandson (see <http://www.chateau-grandson.ch/>)
  - The farmhouse “Le Grand-Cachot-de-Vent” built in 1531 (see <http://www.grand->

[cachot.ch/](http://cachot.ch/))