

# COMPASSS NEWSLETTER

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## COMParative methods for the Advancement of Systematic cross-case analysis and Small-N Studies

<http://www.compasss.org>

### Main items:

1. Compasss research training workshop on systematic mixed-methods
1. Calls for papers (ESPAnet conference, and special issue of Methodological Innovations Online)
2. New key publications (Barbara VIS and James MAHONEY)
3. New COMPASSS Working Paper
4. Course at the ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques – August 2010 FULL

### --1. **Compasss research training workshop on systematic mixed-methods**

<http://www.compasss.org/pages/announcements/compasssa.html>

The Cathie Marsh Center for Census (U. Manchester) and Survey Methods and COMPASSS are pleased to sponsor a research training workshop on systematic mixed-methods. The workshop is organized at the University of Manchester **the 15th of June 2010**. Staff, researchers, and students of all kinds are invited to attend. **Registration is open until the 5th June**. A small fee is charged to cover the travel of the speakers, the food, and a small workshop pack.

The workshop will cover various topics such as: (1) Randomised Trials vs. Real Samples in Epidemiological Research, David Byrne (Univeristy of Durham); (2) Implications of Open Systems for Research Methods, Wendy Olsen (University of Manchester); (3) Analysing the Productive and Protective Dimensions of Welfare, Stefan Kuehner and John Hudson (University of York); (4) The Qualitative Comparative Analysis of the Certification of International Footwear Companies Axel Marx (University of Antwerp Management School); and many others...

For more information, visit the Website:

<http://www.ccsr.ac.uk/events/mixedmethods2010/>

## --2. Call for papers

<http://www.compass.org/pages/announcements/conferences.html>

Methodological Innovations Online will publish a special issue in **May 2011** entitled Case-Based Approaches to the Analysis of Quantitative Data.

It will be addressing the application of broadly case-based approaches, such as those mentioned above, to quantitative data. Submissions of methodological and substantive papers addressing this topic should be made to the editors, by email, by **the 30th September 2010**, to the guest editors:

- Barry Cooper [barry.cooper@dur.ac.uk](mailto:barry.cooper@dur.ac.uk) (University of Durham),
- Judith Glaesser [judith.glaesser@dur.ac.uk](mailto:judith.glaesser@dur.ac.uk) (University of Durham)

For further details, visit the Website:

<http://www.methodologicalinnovations.org/>

## --3. New key publications

<http://www.compass.org/pages/announcements/recent.html>

- James Mahoney (2010), *Colonialism and Postcolonialism Development. Spanish America in Comparative Perspective*, Cambridge University Press
- Barbara Vis (2010) *Political of Risk-Taking: Welfare State Reform in Advanced Democracies*. Amsterdam University Press

## --4 New Compass Working Paper

<http://www.compass.org/pages/resources/compassswp.html>

**Solving contradictory simplifying assumptions in QCA: presentation of a new best practice**

Tom Delreux & Delphine Hesters (KULeuven)

Available at <http://www.compass.org/files/WPfiles/Delreux2010.pdf>

## --5 Course at the ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques

<http://www.compass.org/pages/announcements/training.html>

Compass is proud to announce that the course on QCA and Fuzzy Sets, organized between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of August is now FULL