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Keywords: Tripartism, financial crisis, QCA, industrial relations, trade unions

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Current political discussions concentrate on the lower educational success of boys. A school survey on the gender-specific educational success was carried out in the canton Berne; its results are triangulated in this article. Findings are derived from a standardised questionnaire survey of 872 school students (grade 8) around the age of 15, video observations of maths and German lessons as well as group discussions of gender-homogeneous half-classes ves of the total sample of school students. The analysis focuses on gender role patterns. It seems that non-egalitarian traditional gender role conceptions are linked to a lower educational success.

Keywords: Educational success, gender, gender roles, secondary school, methods triangulation

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The socio-historical analysis of childhood and adolescence life stories of persons over 65 today brings to light women’s core contribution to the household budgeting during the economic crisis from 1920 to 1950 in Switzerland. Women as mothers, and men as sons, played a decisive role in the transformation process of the family economy. The sentimentalization of these intimate relationships in fact contributed to the evolution of financial organization in marriages based on an hierarchic authoritarian and rigid gender division of domestic chores, towards a more democratic functioning based on more cooperation and equality.

Keywords: History, gender, domestic economy, social change, biographical interviews

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In social indicators research and social reports, poverty measurement was mainly based on household income until recently. However, in recent years, measures of material deprivation that combine factual living conditions and the respondents’ perceptions have grown in importance, especially within the framework of the EU’s 2020 agenda. Subjective indicators may be biased by the fact that households that experience long poverty spells adjust their expectations downward. This article tries to assess the extent of this phenomenon and suggests potential methodological solutions. The problem of adaptive preferences does not seem to strongly distort indicators of material deprivation but has a much larger impact on purely subjective indicators.

Keywords: Social indicators, poverty, material deprivation, subjective poverty, adaptive preferences

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This article aims to ferment a “positive” orientation within social sciences. At first, it examines the mode of structuration adopted by privative approaches. Reasoning by subtractions, they remain silent about what people *have, are* and *do*. After that, the article underlines possible counter arguments. It especially dwells on the promotion of combined approaches. The contribution concludes by pleading for a “positively” oriented sociology and questions the sociologist’s posture in this endeavor.

Keywords: Positive orientation in social sciences, miserabilism, populism, description, ethnographic approaches

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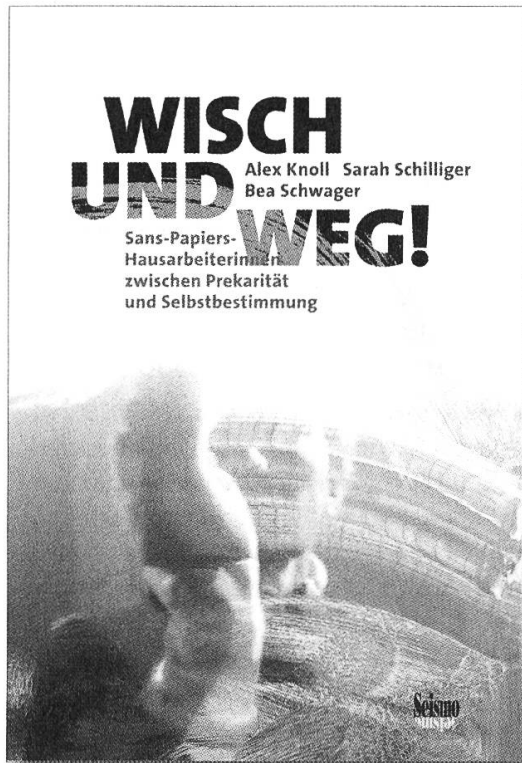
How, during the last two decades, has the violence of pupils on the school grounds become a public issue in Geneva? This article describes the main stages of such a construction. For this purpose, a documentary analysis of various sources (parliamentary debates, print media articles, scientific reports) was conducted. While the existence of “violence among the youth” has been debated since the early 1990’s, we show how this question led gradually to a certain moral and political consensus. We also show that the suspicion of youth

dangerousness has been emphasized by educational policies as a “risk” that has to be known and regulated, in a context that denies the social question.

Keywords: Constructivism, public problem, school violence, educational policy, social regulation

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Mit Hoffnungen und Wünschen verlassen sie ihr Herkunftsland um sich die Grundlage für eine bessere Zukunft zu schaffen. Hier erwartet sie ein Alltag, der geprägt ist vom irregulären Aufenthalt, von Prekarität in allen Arbeits- und Lebensbereichen und von der Notwendigkeit, das Schicksal in die eigenen Hände zu nehmen. Die Rede ist von den rund 8000 Sans-Papiers, die im Kanton Zürich in schätzungsweise jedem siebzehnten Privathaushalt meist stundenweise als Hausarbeiterinnen beschäftigt sind. Mit Reinigungsarbeiten halten sie Wohnungen in Schuss und durch

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