

The logo for the International Social Science Council (ISSC) features the letters 'I', 'S', 'S', and 'C' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Each letter is contained within a vertical rectangular bar of a light purple color. The bars are separated by thin white lines.

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The International Social Science Council

12th Meeting of the IRDR Science Committee Paris
13-15 November 2014

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WSS Forum 2015 *Transforming Global Relations for a Just World*

PROGRAMME

91 Planned Sessions:

- 5 Plenary Sessions
- 86 Concurrent Sessions
- 27 *Parallel Track Session*
- 32 *Satellite Sessions*
- 27 *Round table, debate, symposia Sessions*
- 89 Session Chairpersons
- 135 Oral abstract presentations
- 135 Panelists
- 200 Poster abstract presentations
- 25+ Exhibits

	No of Sessions	No. Spk / Ses	No. Speakers	Ses Co/Chairs	Convenors	Session descriptions
Plenary sessions	5	3	15	8		Invited speaker sessions
Track 1	9	5	45	18		Abstract driven sessions
Track 2	9	5	45	18		Abstract driven sessions
Track 3	9	5	45	18		Abstract driven sessions
Satellite Sessions	32	Tba	Tba	Self organised		Panel of commercial sessions - by application and paid for
Roundtables Sessions	9	5	45		9	Panel of experts deliberating - selected by the programme committee
Debate Sessions	9	5	45		9	Panel of 2 or more people discussing opposing views - selected by the programme committee
Symposia	9	5	45		9	Educational sessions - selected by the programme committee
	91		285	62	27	
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(Excluding rapporteurs & poster presenters)

WSS Forum 2015 dates



- 1 June 2014**
- Registrations open (Early registration fee)
 - Hotel accommodation reservations open

- 15 October 2014**
- Call for abstracts announced
 - Call for panels open soon
- Through the Program Committee, ISSC submitted 19 proposals for sessions (members, networks, ISSC activities) , **1 for IRDR***
- Scholarship applications open

- 1 March 2015**
- Abstract submissions closure
 - Scholarship applications close

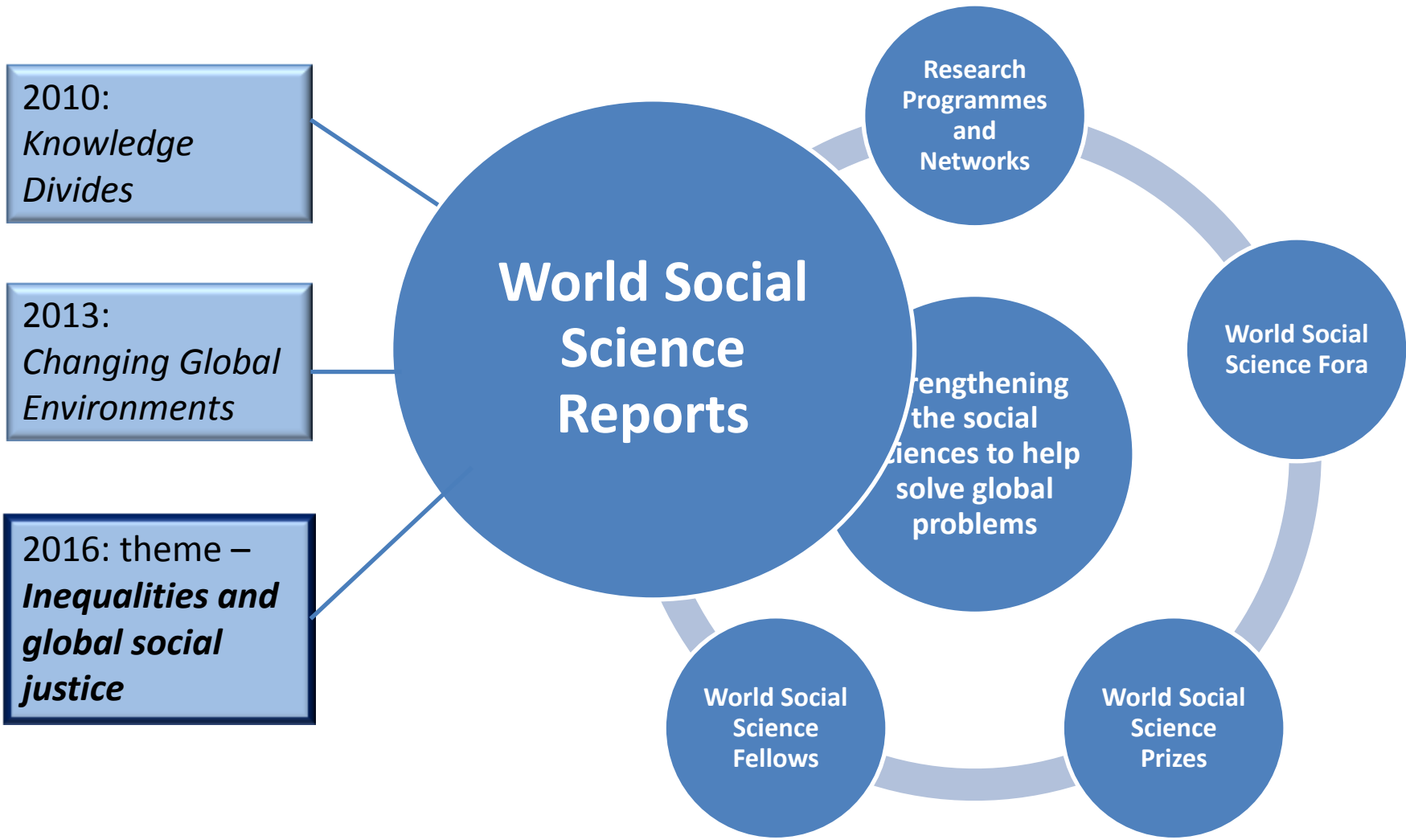
- 1 June 2015**
- Final program announced
 - Regular registration fee

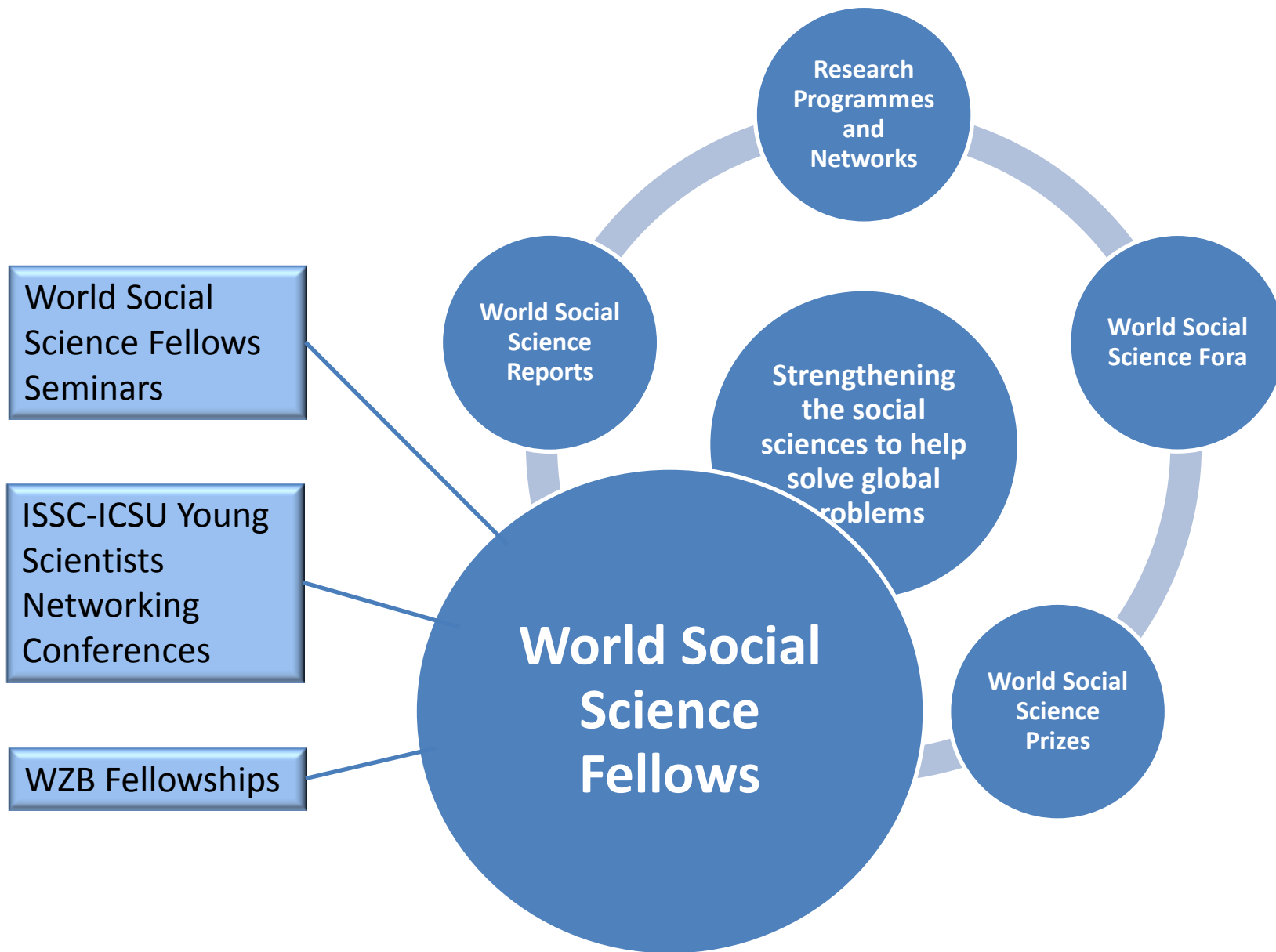
- 1 Sept 2015**
- Pre registration closes

13 to 16 Sept 2015- WSS Forum 2015

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2013-2014

- **RIA seminar – 4 group projects, journal papers developed**
- 2x WSS Fellows Seminars on *Sustainable Urbanisation* (2nd ICoE Taipei)
- *Global Social Governance: Developing international social science research and impacting the policy process*
- 2x Future Earth Young Scientist Networking Conference on Integrated Science: *Food Futures, Future Economy*
- *WZB-ISSC Global Fellowship programme: 2 Fellows, 2014, 1 Fellow 2015.*

2015

- *Cyber research infrastructure for collaborations between natural and social scientists, March 2015*
- *Future Sustainability, May 2015*
- 3rd Sustainable Urbanisation, WSS Forum Sept 2015
- Fellows track at WSS Forum 2015

Transformations to sustainability

- Implemented and funded by ISSC (Sida)
- From 500+ applications to 38 seed grants (with supplementary support from ESRC/Newton Fund, NRF, SSEESS, NWO)

Mar 2014 Call for seed funding

Sept 2014 Seed grant selection

Nov 2014 Transformative Knowledge Workshop, Potsdam

Dec 2014 Call for TKN proposals

July 2015 3+ TKNs selected

Sept 2015 Transformative Knowledge Workshop II, Durban

- Baseline for building a global knowledge trust on social transformations
- Knowledge gap dialogue between SHS experts and global change researchers
- Invited experts, grantees, steering committee, funders
- Hosted by the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies

Transformations to sustainability

A global knowledge trust on

- Social transformation
- Transformative science

Transformative knowledge networks for

- Internationally collaborative
- Inter- and transdisciplinary
- Solutions-oriented research that is
- Co-designed and co-produced in partnership with non-academic stakeholders



Shifting science policy narratives

- Mid 1940s – 50s: Science, the Endless Frontier
- Late 1960s – 80s: Strategic R&D Programming
- 1990s onwards: The Knowledge Economy
- Today: Towards science for a sustainable and just world?

The science-society relationship:

- From science and society ...
- to science for society
- and now science with society

The link between research, policy and practice:

- From the linear model
- to iterative interaction, feedback loops
- and messy processes on both sides

Relevance

- From the taken-for-granted promise of science
- to strategic science
- to innovation and economic growth
 - ***to the transformative 'solutions space'***

Opportunities for further engagement

- Network of experts roster to respond to international initiatives on disaster risk: proactive linkages made between IRDR and ISSC networks to reach experts working on social dimensions of disasters, but not connected to IRDR and the other international initiatives around disaster risk reduction
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