

Dear colleagues,

the [Laboratory for Comparative Social Research](#) (Higher School of Economics, Moscow) headed by Ronald Inglehart invites you to contribute **a chapter to the Springer's volume "Social Capital, Subjective Well-being and Modernization"**.

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### **About the book:**

This book aims to analyze various facets of social capital and subjective well-being, as well as their interactions, under changing socio-economic and political conditions – whether caused by modernization or economic crisis.

According to Inglehart and Welzel (2005), modernization is a threefold process covering three main domains: economic, cultural and institutional. Economic development provides the feeling of existential security which results in a shift from materialist (survival) to post-materialist (self-expression) values. Such value shift, in turn, brings a set of changes of many life domains: gender roles, marital behavior, fertility, religiosity, attitudes towards environment etc. Furthermore, self-expression values activate people's demand for freedom and create a new type of civic culture which modifies political institutions making them more responsive and efficient. At the same time, modernization is not a linear process since harsh socio-economic transformations produce modernization throwback towards materialist (survival) values. These two kinds of changes have different effects on social capital and subjective well-being that our book is seeking to reveal. It will illustrate the variety of social capital and well-being, their regional distribution and trends, their drivers and consequences under different stages of modernization.

We are looking for contributions using quantitative comparative methodology and large cross-cultural data sets (World Values Survey, European Social Survey, European Value Study, Life in Transition, Latinobarometer, Afrobarometer etc.). We welcome studies which focus on Post-Soviet countries, Latin America, Africa, and Asia. We also welcome papers on other regions of the world.

**Recommended Topics.** Submitted papers might address (but need not be limited to) the following topics:

- Happiness and life satisfaction
- Trust
- Pro-social norms and values
- Pro-social behaviour
- Civic culture and civic engagement
- Social ties
- Human values
- Political behavior

### **Submission Deadlines and Procedure**

1. **Submission of short abstracts.** An abstract of around 300 words should be submitted to [ttonyan@hse.ru](mailto:ttonyan@hse.ru) and [lcsr.event@hse.ru](mailto:lcsr.event@hse.ru) by **December 20th, 2017**. Abstracts should include the working title of the proposed chapter, the list of authors with their affiliation, and the details of the corresponding author.
2. **Notification of selected abstracts.** The editors will select the most promising abstracts and inform prospective authors of their editorial decision by **January 10th, 2018**.
3. **Submission of extended abstracts.** The extended outline of a chapter of around 1,000-1,500 words should be submitted to [ttonyan@hse.ru](mailto:ttonyan@hse.ru) and [lcsr.event@hse.ru](mailto:lcsr.event@hse.ru) by **March 5th, 2018**.
4. **Submission of the first draft.** The first draft of the chapter should be submitted by **September 1th, 2018**. Chapters should be around 6,000 words in length. The style sheet for references and bibliography will be forwarded.
5. **Double peer-review.** Each author is expected to review two other chapters of the book. The comments of the reviews will reach all authors by **October 30th, 2018**.
6. **Submission of the revised chapter.** The revised draft of the chapter should be submitted by **January 30th, 2019**.
7. **Editor's comments and external review.** The editors will send their comments and those of the external reviewers by **August 1th, 2019**.
8. **Submission of final papers.** The final versions of the chapters should be submitted by **October 15th, 2019**.