

British Society of Criminology Conference 8-10 July 2020

Criminology in an Age of Global Injustice(s)

SUBMISSION to MAIN CONFERENCE

NOTES

Before completing and submitting this form please refer to the 'Call for Submissions Guidelines'.

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Call for submissions closes on Monday 16th March 2020
Early bird registration closes on Tuesday 14th April 2020

NATURE OF SUBMISSION (please tick one only)

Individual Paper	x
Themed Panel	
Roundtable Submission	
Author Meets Critics Session	
Poster Presentation	

INDIVIDUAL PAPER

Name, title and institutional affiliation of contact person:
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Category of individual paper (please refer to *Call for Submissions Guidelines* and select one category only):
33 Victims and victim surveys

Name, title and institutional affiliation of speaker(s):

Dr Elisa Impara, Department of Sociology, University of Essex
Dr Ruth Lamont, School of Social Sciences, University of Manchester
Prof Sandra Walklate, School of Law and Social Justice, University of Liverpool

Title of individual paper:
<i>Disaggregating and defining victims' 'access to justice'</i>

Abstract (must be in English and limited to 200 words):
<p>What does 'access to justice' mean for victims of crime? Which groups of victims are more able to access justice, if we define this as their choice or ability to participate in fair criminal justice processes, and to actively exercise current entitlements?</p> <p>This paper presents findings from an interdisciplinary ESRC-funded project exploring shifts in victims' access to justice – itself a contested concept - over time in England and Wales. It discusses patterns revealed by a large new aggregated dataset that merges BCS and CSEW survey data collected over 35 years (1982-2017) from 790,000 diverse respondents. Disaggregating victim respondents by their demographic characteristics (notably sex, age, income, education and ethnicity) and by the types of (alleged) offence they have experienced suggests that certain groups of victims currently enjoy much greater access to justice than others. The paper explores the likely reasons for, and broader theoretical and policy implications of, this finding. It concludes by suggesting how a more consistent use of disaggregation might – and might not - contribute to current policy debates. Overall, we argue that victims' entitlements – as complainants and witnesses - must continue to be balanced against those of (alleged) offenders if justice is to be enacted in the public interest.</p>

Are you prepared to chair other individual paper sessions?	YES	
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THEMED PANEL (should normally contain between three to four papers)

Title of themed panel:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of contact person:

Email address of contact person:

Are you also prepared to chair individual paper sessions?	YES	NO
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Paper One

Title of paper one:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of speaker(s):

Abstract of paper one (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

Paper Two

Title of paper two:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of speaker(s):

Abstract of paper two (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

Paper Three

Title of paper three:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of speaker(s):

Abstract of paper three (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

Paper Four

Title of paper four:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of speaker(s):

Abstract of paper four (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

ROUNDTABLE SUBMISSION (should normally comprise between three and six presenters)

Title of roundtable:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of contact person (presenter one):

Email address of contact person:

Are you also prepared to chair individual paper sessions?

YES

NO

Name, title and institutional affiliation of presenter two:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of presenter three:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of presenter four:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of presenter five:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of presenter six:

Abstract of roundtable (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

POSTER PRESENTATION

Title of poster:

Name, title and institutional affiliation of poster presenter:

Email address of poster presenter:

Abstract of poster (must be in English and limited to 200 words):

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