

**Work, Employment and Economic Life Study Group
Annual Review 2010 – 2011**

1. **Established:** 2010
2. **Current Membership Figure:** 62
3. **SG Expenditure:** £0
SG Income: £0
4. **Aim/s of SG:**
 5. Exchange and develop ideas by attracting new and existing BSA members to the WEEL group and its activities
 6. Encourage collaboration and lend support within a long tradition of British sociologists
 7. Encourage research and publication around the sociology of work, employment and economic life
 8. To develop a programme of events including building on the strength of the 'Work and Economy' stream at the annual BSA conferences; a series of themed seminars/ workshops; and a postgraduate forum
 9. Act as a valuable addition to the activities of the key BSA journal Work, Employment and Society
 10. To develop links with other BSA study groups and non sociologists interested in the fields of work and employment.

7. Review of Year:

We have been established for around 6 months as the proposal for the group was accepted in the summer (2010).

After the SG proposal was accepted, the convenors held a first meeting at WES conference, Brighton (15 attendees). Since then we have been working on promoting the group and actioning various agreed tasks.

Events

1. A one-day seminar is planned for 2011 around early career work sociologists, being led by the convenors and Lynne Pettinger.

2. BSA conference 2011:
 - 1 Sub-plenary speakers will be Harriet Bradley, Paul Edwards and Duncan Gallie.
 - 2 The convenors are all part of Roundtables for this conference, as is other WEEL member Jacqueline O'Reilly.
 - 3 A study group planning meeting to be held at the conference.

3. Emotional work/the visual. Sarah Jenkins to help organise an event.

4. Re-reading the classics. Dawn Lyon to help organise a series of events (2012-).

Communication

We have established a Jiscmail discussion list, currently with 62 members.

8. Convenor/s:

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9.SG weblinks:

<http://www.britsoc.co.uk/specialisms/weel.htm>

<https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=BSA-WORK-EMPLOYMENT-ECONOMICLIFE>

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