
Participants of the 4th SIENA workshop, Groningen, March 31–April 3, 2008

Kate Coronges. I am a PhD student in Health Behavior Research at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. My research is focused on drug using behaviors in adolescent youth. I am going into my 6th year as a PhD student, and have just recently decided to use SIENA for my dissertation studies. I intend to use dynamic network analysis to look at social influence and selection that occurred during a drug intervention program using data collected before and after the 12-week long curriculum. In addition, i will include hypotheses about implicit cognition to assess whether education messages alter how information is associated in memory (before it changes behaviors) and whether this might also be a social process.



Ruben de Cuyper. After finishing my Bachelor's degree in Sociology, I started the Research Master Social Cultural Science at the University of Nijmegen. Currently I am writing my master thesis about peer networks and delinquency among Dutch pupils of secondary schools (supervised by Stijn Ruiter and Frank Weerman). My primary research interest concerns the way in which the network structure (in particular social embeddedness and social status) may affect adolescents' delinquency in the Netherlands. I would like to apply SIENA to examine the influence mechanism of the peer network more strictly. In my free time I like to spend time with my friends and to practice sports like running, swimming and playing soccer.

Jan Kornelis Dijkstra. I received my Ph.D. in sociology at the University of Groningen in 2007. Currently, I am working as a post-doc at the same university. My main research interest is peer relations in adolescence. Specifically, I am interested in the role of popular adolescents in the peer group, and the development of antisocial behavior in adolescence. I will use the SIENA program to investigate influence and selection effects on weapon carrying in and outside school.



Dr. habil. **Alexander Fliaster** received his diploma in system technology from the Moscow Institute of Railway Engineering (Russia) and obtained his Ph.D. and habilitation in management in 2007 from the Bundeswehr University in Munich (Germany). He is currently interim chair in HRM, organization studies & decision-making at this university. Alexander was visiting research fellow at the INSEAD Centre for Advanced Learning Technologies in Fontainebleau (France) and is visiting professor in knowledge and innovation management at the Groupe

ESC Toulouse Business School (France) and other European universities. His research interests are innovation management, social networks and social capital, management of knowledge workers and human capital, and management simulations.

My name is **Inna Haller**. I grew up in Russia and currently live in Germany. In 2003 I finished my study of Business Mathematics at the University of Karlsruhe. Since June 2004 I have worked as a scientific assistant and Ph.D. student at the Institute for Economic Policy Research (IWW) at the University of Karlsruhe. In my PhD thesis I investigate the development of science driven technologies and analyse different stages in market formation of these technologies. My database consists among others of patent and publication data. Using social network analysis I would like to study the interaction between actors on different level of disaggregation (e.g. scientific teams, organisations, and countries). Furthermore I would like to investigate the relationship between the position of actors in the network and their performance regarding their technological and scientific activities.



Christian Hopp. I am about to submit my PhD dissertation at the University of Konstanz. My research deals with an empirical analysis of Venture Capital financing in Germany and especially the use of syndicate financing, the corresponding partner selection and the origins and evolution of social networks among VCs. For the two most recent working papers I have been using social network analysis to gain insights into the driving forces of partner selection strategies and applied multilevel methodologies to describe the conditions of network reinforcement and expansions among syndicate partners. Up to now, I didn't do much in terms of network dynamics and corresponding techniques. During my free time you will most likely find me travelling, reading fiction or enjoying sports.

Philipp Jugert. I received my Diplom in Psychology from the University of Greifswald, Germany and my MA in Psychology from the University of Auckland, New Zealand. Currently, I am a PhD student at the University of Jena, Germany. In my PhD, I focus on the development of preadolescents' cross-ethnic friendships over the course of a school year. I am particularly interested in distinguishing interpersonal, intergroup, and institutional determinants of cross-ethnic friendship development. My interests include various sports, music, books, and movies.



Noona Kiuru. I will receive a PhD degree of Psychology in April 2008.

I also have done master studies in statistics. Currently, I work in a temporal post of an Assistant Professor at the Department of Psychology, University of Jyväskylä, Finland. My research interests are on the one hand, adolescents' peer groups and peer networks, and, on the other hand I'm interested in methodological issues and modeling change and processes.



My name is **Luka Kronegger**, I am PhD student of statistics at University of Ljubljana (Slovenia), specialising in sociology, statistics and social networks. I gathered my work experiences on several projects on the field of internet use and on-line services and worked as teaching assistant for statistics and data analysis at Faculty of social sciences. In my PhD I research collaboration networks of scientists in terms of co-authorship networks in different research areas. When I do not work I'm full time outdoor addict.

My name is **Alona Labun**. I was born in Russia (Moscow), lived for 10 years in Ukraine (Uzhgorod), 2 years in Belgium (Leuven), 6 years in Israel (Tel Aviv), and since 2005 I am living in the Netherlands. I studied Psychology and Sociology for my Bachelor's in Israel, after which I did my research Master's in Developmental Psychology at Utrecht University. In September 2007, I started my PhD at the Interuniversity Center for Social Research Theory and Methodology (ICS), University of Groningen. I am currently working on the project "Who is the Boss?" that aims to explore the antecedents of informal power in organizational settings. When I am not working, I enjoy spending my time on sports (working out in the gym, swimming), reading a nice book, listening to music (blues, rock 'n' roll, latin - depending on my mood), watching a good movie, having delicious dinners with my friends. During the holiday periods, I spend a lot of time traveling to visit my family and friends who all live in different countries.





Pertti Mutanen. I have received my M.Sc. from University of Helsinki. I work as a statistician (senior adviser) in the Statistical Services team of Finnish Institute of Occupational Health. I take part in different research projects of the Institute. Some special interest areas are epidemiology, Bayes analysis and longitudinal data analysis. I'm also interested now in SIENA-related subject of analysis. We try to examine the effects of the social network (peer groups) in addition to our intervention (group method). Study was a randomized field experimental study and study subjects were students.

My name is **Francesca Pallotti**. After receiving my Bachelor in Economics and a Master Degree in Health Care Management at the University of Birmingham, I started a PhD in Health Care Policy and Management at the Catholic University of Rome. I am currently working as a Post-Doc at the Institute for Microeconomics and Public Economics, University of Lugano - Switzerland. My current research interests are focused on how health care organizations develop collaborative ties and how such relationships affect performance.



My name is **Alvaro Piña**, I'm currently a PhD student at the university of Paris Dauphine in France. My primary research interests are organizational sociology and economics sociology. My dissertation project is concerned with the biotechnologies enterprises in France, and their investment relationships with Venture Capitalist. I analyze advice and friendship relationships among scientific entrepreneurs but also between these entrepreneurs and the investors.

Stijn Ruiter. I did my studies in Sociology at the Radboud University Nijmegen and obtained my Master's degree in 2002. In the same year, I became a junior researcher at the Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology (ICS), and I worked on my Ph.D. thesis on causes and socioeconomic consequences of voluntary associations involvement at the Department of Sociology of the Radboud University Nijmegen. As of December 2006, I am employed as Assistant Professor at the Department of Sociology/ICS at Radboud University Nijmegen. My research interests include a wide range of topics from migration to voluntary association involvement,



social capital, sociology of religion, criminology, social stratification, and statistical modeling. My teaching includes courses on criminology, social capital and secularization. I am interested in the use of SIENA for modeling the coevolution of networks and criminal behavior of pupils in Dutch high schools.

Tamar Sagiv. I am currently a PhD student of Organizational Behavior at the Tel Aviv University in Israel. My research project tracks the developments of ownership and control structures in emerging markets by studying changes in the national capital and interlock directorate networks. I study how these networks differentially respond to major systemic changes that an economy in transition faces, including privatization, liberalization of the capital market, and growth foreign investments. My main interest is to explore the coevolution of the two types of networks and what are the differential influences of the wider economic, political and social environments on the evolutionary paths that they adopt.



My name is **Saraï Sapulete**. I have studied sociology at the University of Groningen, and received my Bachelor's degree in sociology in 2006. Because of the specialization 'research' in my Bachelor phase, I got more interested in doing research. Currently, I am a Research Master student (Human Behavior in Social Contexts, specialization: sociology) at the University of Groningen. I am interested in intra-organizational networks, and hope to start as a PhD student in September 2008, on the topic of formal and informal networks in collegial organizations. My traineeship in Paris, with prof. Emmanuel Lazega, gained my interest in legal organizations, on which I want to focus in my PhD project as well. If I am not analyzing networks, I like singing in my band, reading, cooking and having dinner with friends.

Florian Schloderer. I obtained my doctoral degree from the faculty of economics, management and organizational sciences of the Bundeswehr University in Munich (Germany). Currently, I am working there in a post-doc position. My research interests are innovation management, knowledge management and social networks. I use the SIENA program to analyze the social network of employees in corporate R&D departments.



Wouter Stam obtained his M.Sc. in International Business from Maastricht University. He has been an exchange student at the University of California and a visiting scholar at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He is currently an assistant professor at VU University Amsterdam and expects to receive his PhD from the same university on June 3, 2008. His research interests include intra- and interorganizational networks, top management teams, entrepreneurship, and the emergence of new industries and organizational forms. His research has been published in Academy of Management Journal and one of his papers received a best paper award at the Academy of Management Annual Meeting. My motivation for participating in this workshop revolves around my intention to start new research projects focusing on the dynamics of networks and behavior. In addition to my work, I like to play tennis, watch movies, and travel to exotic places.



My name is **Ylva Svensson** and I'm doing my first year as a PhD student in Psychology at Örebro University in Sweden. I'm interested in the interactions and eye-to-eye contacts of youths with an immigrant background and the impact those can have on the acculturation and adjustment process. I believe that the people the immigrants have around them and interact with can have a huge impact on how and how well the immigrants adjust. I wish to explore the social networks of immigrant youths and to see if different positions in these networks can lead to differences in psychological and/or socio-cultural adjustment. What kind of friendship do immigrant youths have and with whom? Is it important in terms of adjustment who you surround your self with as an immigrant youth? Questions like that I wish to find an answer to. At my free time, apart from



spending time with friends and family, I like to paint, make accessories, swim and travel.



Adam Tatarynowicz. I am a post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Organization & Strategy at Maastricht University. Since 2005, I have also worked as a visiting scholar in the Department of Management & Organizations at Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, USA. I received a PhD in management science from the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland and a master's degree in business administration from Warsaw School of Economics in Poland. Prior to re-entering academia, I spent several years in management consulting and the software industry.

My research involves the analysis and modeling of social networks, with a particular focus on the structures and dynamics of large networks of cooperating firms. Considering networks as inherently complex and multilevel phenomena, I pay close attention to the interplay between micro-scale attachment processes between firms and the macro-scale structures that emerge from these interactions, thereby shaping the rich social context in which firms exist and perform. This involves the issues of trust, embeddedness, interdependence, and competition advanced from the conventional dyadic perspective into a more comprehensive network perspective on strategy and organizing. To pursue this agenda, I combine empirical research with a range of novel analytic methods, such as agent-based simulation.



René Veenstra. I am an Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology (ICS), University of Groningen, the Netherlands and Visiting Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Turku, Finland. I published on a variety of topics (bullying and victimization, prosocial and antisocial behavior, and temperament-by-environment interactions) in major scientific journals including *Child Development*, *Development and Psychopathology*, *Developmental Psychology*, *International Journal of Behavioral Development*, and *Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry*. In two recent publications I used the p2 model:

Veenstra, R., Lindenberg, S., Zijlstra, B.J.H., De Winter, A.F., Verhulst, F.C., & Ormel, J. (2007). *The dyadic nature of bullying and victimization: Testing a dual perspective theory*. *Child Development*, 78, 1843-1854.

Zijlstra, B.J.H., Veenstra, R., & Van Duijn, M.A.J. (2008). *A multilevel p2 model with covariates for the analysis of binary bully-victim network data in multiple classrooms*. In N.A. Card, J.P. Selig, & T.D. Little (eds.), *Modeling Dyadic and Interdependent Data in Developmental Research* (pp. 377-393). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

Lukas Zenk. Since 2006 I work at the Danube University Krems in Austria, Department for Knowledge and Communication Management.

Before I studied a combination of computer science, psychology and sociology with the emphasis on organizational research and communication. The topic of my diploma thesis was interdisciplinary system research. Currently I'm writing my PhD about social network analysis in organizations. My main research interest is the development of organizations and groups in cooperative work processes. As a lecturer at the Danube University Krems and the Vienna University of Technology I investigate personal relationships within these courses, e.g. advice, trust or email-networks. In the end of 2007 we created the website www.ansna.org (Austrian Network of SNA) to build up a group interested in SNA. In my free time I like travelling, taking photos, shooting videos, playing poker and squash.



Other participants

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