

Dominique Schnapper

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For her wide-ranging work analysing the different ways in which modern societies have developed, from the sociology of culture to the sociology of administration and in particular the problems of social integration and the relationship between citizens and the State.

Social Integration in Modern Democratic Societies

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Dominique Schnapper is using the second half of her 2002 Balzan Prize for Sociology for a research project on social integration of marginalized groups in modern society. To this end she has assembled a research group composed of colleagues and young researchers. The project is designed to allow members of the group to further develop work already initiated (but interrupted due to lack of funds), within a shared framework and goal: a major quantitative inquiry on the problems of citizenship in France.

1. *An Investigation on Jews in France*. An empirical inquiry study undertaken in Toulouse by Chantal Bordes-Benayoun (Université de Toulouse II - Le Mirail), in Strasbourg by Freddy Raphaël (Université Marc Bloch de Srasbourg), and Paris by Dominique Schnapper (École des hautes études en sciences sociales - EHESS). Besides the results of the empirical inquiry, the interpretation of the Jewish predicament in France called for a wider historical and sociological reflection on the changing relationships between all ethnical identities and citizenship (Schnapper, Bordes-Benayoun, and Raphaël, 2009; a translation in English by Transactions Publishers is in press).

2. *Islam and Democracy*. Mahnaz Shirali (Maison des Sciences de l'Homme) addressed the issue of the compatibility between Islam and democracy with a thorough inquiry based on participant observation in three different suburban areas of Paris and 150 interviews to young muslims who live there. Focusing on multiple constructions of religiosity within young members of families who migrated to France from Maghreb, this work is concerned with the place of Islam within democracy. The inquiry gave rise to a book (Shirali, 2007) with a Preface by Dominique Schnapper.

3. *Mixed couples and immigrant's families: a comparison between France and Germany.* During the last five years a number of comparative studies on mixed couples and immigrant families in France and Germany have been carried out under the responsibility of Beate Collet and Emmanuelle Santelli (Université de Lyon 2). Taken altogether these studies have provided new insights on the interdependence of marital choice, family patterns and different ways to combine familial cultural references with participation in social life. The main results are summarized in the following publications (Collet, 2004; Collet, 2006; Santelli and Collet, 2006; Collet and Inowlocki, 2006; Santelli, Collet, Boukacem and Ousmaal, 2007; Collet and Santelli, 2008).

In 2005 a DVD aimed at familiarising the general public with these research activities was realized in the occasion of the "Fête de la Science" (Paris). The expertise acquired by this research group thanks to the support of the second half of the Balzan Prize awarded to Dominique Schanpper allowed them to apply and receive a grant from the Ministère de l'Immigration, de l'Intégration, de l'Identité nationale et du Développement solidaire. The report on research was submitted in November 2007. Finally, the enquiry helped bring about a new international effort of cooperation at the European level: a project named *Mixcoup* (Mixed couples and transcultural hybridisation) aimed at training of young researchers was submitted to the European Commission in December 2009, within the ITN (Marie Curie Initial Training Network) initiative. The project includes, besides Emmanuelle Santelli and Beate Collet, the German researchers who took part in the Balzan project together with new partners from Spain, Turkey and Greece. A comprehensive work on mixed couples and transcultural hybridization will be concluded within the year 2010 and published by Presses Universitaires de France (within the series "Le Lien Social").

4. *Social bond and citizenship in prison.* Is it possible to speak of citizenship in prison? Citizens are entitled by the law to a number of rights which are not granted to inmates. How can those temporarily excluded from the "community of citizens" exercise they citizen's rights and duties? These are the questions addressed by Corinne Rostaing and Caroline Tourat (Rostaing, 2007, 2008; Tourat, 2005). Corinne Rostaing is completing a study on the prison as a non democratic institution, based on her whole empirical research on this issue. How can an institution which is contrary to the democratic principles, especially those concerning individual freedoms, respond to the needs of a democratic society?

Main presentations and publications:

- Collet, B., *Constructions identitaires et dynamiques familiales mixtes. Etude comparative auprès de descendants d'immigrés en France et en Allemagne*, Communication au Comité de Recherche n° 1 : Identité, espace et politique, XVIIème congrès de l' AISLF en juillet 2004 à Tours (abstract available online at : http://w3.aislf.univ-tlse2.fr/tours2004/tours2004_pages/tours2004_30.php).
- Collet, B., *Mixed Partnerships and experienced citizenship. Mate selection and Family dynamics of migration descent in France and Germany*, Intervention lors du colloque annuel du centre international des études doctorales (IPC), Université de Frankfurt/Main, mai 2006.
- Collet, B., and L. Inowlocki, *Doing and Undoing "Being Ethnic": Multiple Belongings and Partner Relations among the Adult Children of Labor Immigrants from Turkey to Germany*, Communication au XVI ISA World Congress of Sociology, Research Committee 38 'Biography and society', Durban, South-Africa, juillet 2006 (www.sociology2006.org.za).
- Collet, B., and Santelli, E., *La mixité au-delà des différences culturelles*, in Beate Collet, Claudine Philippe, (Eds.), *Mixité(s). Variations autour d'une notion transverse*, Paris, L'Harmattan, 2008, pp. 68-94.
- Rostaing, C., *Processus de judiciarisation carcérale : le droit en prison, une ressource pour les acteurs ?*, « Revue Droit et Société », 2007, n° 67, pp. 577-595.
- Rostaing, C., *L'expression des détenus : formes, marges de manoeuvre et limites*, in: Payet J-P., Giuliani F. and Laforgue D. (Eds.), *La voix des acteurs faibles. De l'indignité à la reconnaissance*, Rennes, Presses Universitaires de Rennes, Lien social, 2008, pp. 121-138.
- Santelli, E., Collet, B., with D. Boukacem and S. Ousmaal, *Les choix conjugaux des descendants d'immigrés maghrébins, turcs et africains francophones. Entre norme endogamique et transformations des réalités familiales en France*, Rapport de recherche remis à la Direction de la Population et des Migrations, novembre 2007, 139 p.
- Santelli, E., and Collet, B., *Les conjugalités mixtes des descendants d'immigrés en France et en Allemagne : Modes de formation conjugale et dynamiques familiale*, Rapport de recherche remis au conseil scientifique de l'Institut des Sciences de l'Homme, octobre 2006, 141 p.
- Shirali, M., *Entre islam et démocratie. Parcours de jeunes Français d'aujourd'hui*, Armand Colin, 2007.
- Schnapper, D., *Preface to M. Shirali, Entre islam et démocratie. Parcours de jeunes Français d'aujourd'hui*, Armand Colin, 2007.
- Schnapper, D., Chantal Bordes-Benayoun and Freddy Raphaël, *La condition juive*

en France. La tentation de l'entre-soi, Puf - Presses Universitaires de France, 2009 (The English translation, by Transactions Publishers, is in press).

- Touraut, C., *Étude dynamique des rapports à la citoyenneté d'acteurs incarcérés*, « Champ pénal / Penal Field (nouvelle revue internationale de criminologie) », 2005, vol II (available on line in French and English).

Statement by the Prizewinner: *J'ai essayé de transmettre ma conception de la sociologie à mes étudiants. J'aime enseigner et former les jeunes esprits sans rien leur imposer mais, tout au contraire, en leur donnant les moyens d'élaborer leur propre projet intellectuel. C'est pourquoi je suis particulièrement reconnaissante à la Fondation Balzan de m'avoir donné les moyens de faire développer par d'anciens étudiants, devenus des jeunes chercheurs ou des jeunes enseignants, des travaux qui prolongent les miens, même si chacun d'entre eux garde évidemment une originalité que je respecte.* Dominique Schnapper (Rome, 13.11.2002)