## **Editorial**

This year's second English-language issue of the *Czech Sociological Review* features articles dealing with a variety of different topics. The first three contributions are thematically connected through a common focus on social movements and their evolution in Czech society.

Martin Myant maps the political influence of the trade unions in the Czech Republic after 1989. Besides being a much-needed contribution to the study of Czech trade unions, which, at least domestically, has remained an underdeveloped research area, it is also timely, given the recently renewed saliency of trade union protest observed in Czech society like elsewhere in Europe. It should be noted that this article was originally submitted to a special issue of our journal entitled '20 Years of Democracy in the Czech Republic' and it is published here as a kind of advance notice for this issue (which will appear in the first half of 2011, in Czech).

Addressing another strand of social movement research, *Jiří Navrátil* investigates the changing fortunes of the Czech branch of the global justice movement (GJM) in the past seven years. He concludes that the Czech GJM movement's collective identity has proven to be remarkably persistent and argues for a redefinition of the concepts of social movement 'spillout' and 'spillover'.

Radka Dudová's contribution analyses the development of the public discourse related to abortion legislation in the Czech Republic. She shows that medical expertise has dominated the public discourse on abortion from the time abortion legislation was introduced in the 1950s up until today. One particularly noteworthy consequence, viewed again in the context of social movement research, is that it is difficult for Czech women's groups today to reframe the debate in terms of women's rights.

Tamah Sherman studies a specific micro-social interaction in her article, public proselyting by members of the Mormon Church, analysed from a perspective combining ethnography, ethnomethodology, and conversation analysis. This article belongs to our journal's special issue 'Ethnomethodological Inspirations' (August 2010) guest-edited by Jiří Nekvapil from the Department of Linguistics at Charles University in Prague. It is published separately here for, unlike all the other contributions, it was originally written in English.

Finally, *Jindřich Krejčí* summarises recent discussions about quality criteria for survey research and argues that more systematic attention should be paid to the data collection process as opposed to a single-minded concentration on methods for minimising sampling errors.

Zygmunt Bauman, the legendary Polish-British sociologist, a member of the Editorial Board of the English edition of the CSR, and a towering global intellectual influence, celebrated his 85th birthday in November of this year. On this extraordinary occasion, we publish a short study on the impact of Bauman's work on Czech sociology, by *Milan Petrusek*, Bauman's long-time intellectual liaison in Prague.

Recent books of general relevance or with a focus on Central European societies are discussed in the book reviews section.

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