

## Stefano Cavalli, Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow

Both the intellectual life and the social energy of the Department of Sociology were enriched this fall by our visiting postdoctoral fellow, Stefano Cavalli of the University of Geneva. Stefano received his PhD in sociology from the University of Geneva, where he is currently a researcher at the Centre for the Interdisciplinary Study of Gerontology and Vulnerability and senior lecturer in the Department of Sociology. He is also a member of the Swiss National Competence Center in Research LIVES (*Overcoming vulnerability: Life course perspectives*).

Stefano's research interests focus on the life course and aging and he is engaged in two research programs: *Old age democratization? Progresses and inequalities in Switzerland (VLV)* and *Changes and events across the life course (CEVI)* for which he is the international coordinator. VLV is a repeated cross-sectional study addressing the life and health conditions of individuals ages 65 and above living in Switzerland and their changes over the past 30 years.

CEVI focuses on the perceptions that adults from 13 countries and five age groups have about changes in their lives and their societal environments (recent changes in life, main turning points, and memories of socio-historical changes). During Stefano's visiting fellowship he presented a talk titled "Memory of History and Generations: An International Comparison," which was followed by a reception.

Please visit <http://cigev.unige.ch/recherches/cevi.html> for more information on CEVI research.



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