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1. QCA training
2. New COMPASSS working paper
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--1. QCA training

See: <http://www.compassss.org/training.htm>

In chronological order:

- Louvain-la-neuve (Belgium), 11 March 2014 : **short QCA ‘primer’ training** (attached to the CRECIS-COMPASSS research seminar; see “events” page)
- Utrecht (the Netherlands), 8-11 April 2014: **Configurational Comparative Approaches in Public Administration and Political Science: Boolean and Fuzzy-Set Analysis**, Barbara Vis & Maarten Vink
- St Gallen (Switzerland), 10-13 June 2014 (St Gallen Summer School in Empirical Research Methods), **Qualitative Comparative Analysis**, Charles Ragin
- Singapore, 30 June – 11 July 2014 (IPSA-NUS Summer School): **Qualitative Comparative Analysis**, Dirk Berg-Schlosser
- University of Ljubljana (Slovenia), 28 July – 8 Aug 2014 (ECPR Summer School): **Set-Theoretic Methods: Qualitative Comparative Analysis and Related Approaches**, Patrick A. Mello & Carsten Schneider. **NB registration opens on 7 March, with short ‘early bird discount’ period.**

--2. New COMPASSS working paper

See: <http://www.compassss.org/wpseries.htm>

A new Working Paper has been recently published:

- Cooper, Barry, Judith Glaesser and Stephanie Thomson. 2014. "**Schneider and Wagemann's proposed Enhanced Standard Analysis for Ragin's Qualitative Comparative Analysis: Some unresolved problems and some suggestions for addressing them**". *COMPASSS WP Series* 2014-77. Published online 6 February 2014.

If you would like to publish in the COMPASSS WP Series, please send your paper by e-mail to the Managing Editor (full instructions through the URL above).

--3. Events and calls for papers

See: <http://www.compass.org/events.htm>

In chronological order:

- Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium), 11 March 2014: CRECIS-COMPASSS joint research seminar on **An fsQCA analysis of Cognitive Organization Theory: organizational inertia and change cascades in Police Forces across the EU**, followed by a short QCA training at the Louvain School of Management. Free of charge, with **registration no later than 6 March**.
- Rotterdam (Netherlands), 3-5 July 2014: 30th EGOS Colloquium: subtheme on **The Challenge of Configuration: Bridging Perspectives and Methodologies** [deadline for submission of short paper has passed]
- Montreal (Canada), 19-24 July 2014: 23rd IPSA World Congress: panel on **Combining Qualitative Comparative Analysis and Case Studies in Mixed-Methods Designs** [deadline for submission of abstract/paper has passed]
- Washington D.C. (USA), 28-31 Aug 2014: APSA 2014 Annual Meeting, **APSA Organized Section on Qualitative Methods and Multi-Method Research** [deadline for submission of abstract/paper has passed]

--4. Software news

See: <http://www.compass.org/software.htm>

- New software version: **QCA 1.1-2** (in R) has been released, which fixes a minor bug in the calibration of sets with negative end point concepts and logistic functions.

On behalf of the whole COMPASSS Management Team (see composition at: <http://www.compass.org/people.htm>),

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