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1. QCA training
2. New COMPASSS working paper
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--1. QCA training
See: http://www.compasss.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

--2. New COMPASSS working paper
See: http://www.compasss.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.compasss.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.compasss.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.compasss.org/people.htm),
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