**Economic and Financial Sociology – Individual Assignment’s Instructions**

The individual assignments will be based on a book chosen from a list published on the course web page and should contain the following elements:

1 – a 5.000 word limit

2 – a summary of the most important ideas found in the book and a justification of their relevance.

3 – a statement of the importance of the book to contemporary empirical or theoretical sociology or to the discussion of current social problems.

4 – a thorough critique and evaluation of the main arguments used by the author(s), underlining flaws, mistakes, contradictions, methodological errors or other flaws.

5 – an analysis of the possible relationships between the work analyzed and other contributions on the same subject by the same author(s) or other(s).

Each book can be only analyzed and discussed by one student. The distribution will be based on “first to choose first to be served”, so students are advised to proceed swiftly with their selections, not postponing it unnecessarily and risking not having a true choice.

It is also recommended that students keep in mind their group assignment’s topic, in order to select a book fitting that topic, and avoiding a duplication of the workload.

Students enrolled in the Sociology course may opt for a single book for both courses, but they’ll have to produce two different reports, each one focused on specific aspects of the two subjects.

The personal argumentation used by students and the use of their sociological imagination will be paramount to the evaluation of the assignment.

The assignment should be send electronically to rmarques@iseg.ulisboa.pt until the final day of the course and will count (30%) to the final grade.