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The network has be established recently. The strong feedback at recent activities and the rapid growth in interest demonstrate the need of an organised network on the theme of social movements and activism and became to characterise the endeavour as a young, emerging and dynamic network that uses a mailing list over which information about call for papers, job offers and publications are exchanged and/or forwarded.

The second official network meeting scheduled at the end of 2015 at the CNRS in Paris received a strong interest (many propositions arrived following the call for papers during the Summer) but unfortunately has been cancelled due to the recommendation of the Prefecture de Police de la Ville de Paris: indeed, due to a double emergency about terrorist attacks in Paris and COOP 21 Meeting the Paris authorities demanded to cancel every meeting at the 30th of November and 1st of December 2015.

The network previews to report the meeting during the 2016 (date to be decided) in Paris.

During 2015 the network meetings unfolded in new informal and formal forms of European and inter-continental collaborations. As a direct result of our first network meeting, a newly established cooperation with US anthropologists has led to a follow-up event in May 2015 at North-Western University. This conference has been possible thanks to our first meeting and the two convenors have been invited, together with some of other network's participants.

The Chicago convenor, Pro. Ana Aparicio (AAA) has been invited as a keynote speaker in the Paris meeting, and further international publications about Social Movements and Anthropology are previewed as a result of this meeting.

This highlight demonstrate, we believe, the international importance of our network and underscore the need of further funding in order to realise innovative activities.

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