



## SRA Training Programme 2008

All courses are one day events and located in London unless indicated otherwise. More activities are being organized. Members will be informed by email. Initial Contact for queries: [admin@the-sra.org.uk](mailto:admin@the-sra.org.uk) 020 7388 2391

16th May, London, Training: [Longitudinal Qualitative Research and Analysis](#)

This workshop is for those with some familiarity with qualitative methods who are new to or want to know more about longitudinal research using qualitative approaches. It will provide an overview of longitudinal research, consider the circumstances and research objectives for which it might be used, discuss its strengths and limitations, provide practical lessons on key issues in relation to design, management and analysis in this area of contemporary development, examining case studies that demonstrate how such research is being used to answer key policy questions.

5<sup>th</sup> June, London, Training: [Participatory Research](#)

An introduction to contemporary participatory approaches used in policy and development oriented research in different arenas, including the principles and rationale, implications for research design, and cases studies of effective participatory practice. Possible limitations as well as strengths of different methods will also be discussed. Primarily for those with some familiarity with social research needing an introduction to participatory techniques in use, when and how to use them.

18th June, London, Training: [Dissemination and Knowledge Transfer](#)

This aims to provide a clear grasp of the importance of ensuring a coherent strategy for knowledge sharing at the proposal and design stage of research. A variety of contemporary strategies and techniques available for disseminating research findings will be introduced with opportunities to consider how they have been used in research practice. This is for researchers who want to acquire skills beyond basic reporting practice and an appreciation of the possibilities for promoting use of research.

23rd July, London, Training: [Cognitive Interviewing for Survey Methods](#)

A course designed to familiarise participants with cognitive interviewing methods for testing survey questions. A range of popular techniques will be introduced and discussed including think-alouds, probing, and observation, paraphrasing, rating tasks. Practical information will be given on how to implement key methods and a chance to practice. Current trends, methodological issues and analytic methods will also be considered. Participants who have knowledge of questionnaire design will benefit most from the course.

**Our Autumn / Winter training schedule is currently being drafted and will be announced shortly**